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Powless named Interim Police Chief



Greg Powless

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

A familiar face has stepped in as interim police chief of the Oneida Police Department.

Assistant police chief Greg Powless has taken on Rick Cornelius's position following Cornelius's termination in late December, 2005.

"We're just going to continue on with our daily activities and do the best that I

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Hoeft seeks Brown County seat

By Dawn Walschinski
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Oneida Business Committee Secretary Patti Hoeft is running for the district 24 supervisor post on the Brown County Board.

"I love this community and I have a vision to be a place where families will live and raise their children and work and it will be safe and fun and connected," said Hoeft on her reasons for running.

Hoeft faces Kenneth Simons, a former Brown County Board Chairman, in the April 4th elections.

Hoeft was encouraged to run by current district 24 supervisor Tom Hinz who is not seeking re-election.

"I think she's open minded, she's well educated and she's the right person for the position," said Hinz.

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> ~ Tom Hinz
> Current District 24 Supervisor

Hoeft was also influenced to seek the position after board supervisor Earl Van Den Heuvel made racist remarks on a radio call-in show under a pseudonym in November of 2005.

"Just like most people in the county, we want elected officials who are going to have integrity, who are going to be professional, who value diversity and equal rights and communicate that and represent that in all of their doings," said Hoeft.

Hinz was similarly moved to challenge the incumbent Simons in 2004 after Simons had made offensive comments to chairman of the Diversity Affairs Council James Coates during a meeting in the summer of 2003.

"I felt that was tremendously disrespectful and I didn't feel that was the type of person I wanted to represent me on the county board," said Hinz.

Hoeft now begins the task

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Hoeft

2006 enters in grand fashion in Oneida





Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

Participants at the annual Oneida Sobriety Pow Wow kicked the new year off right on New Year's Eve December 31, 2005. Dancers, drum groups and spectators enjoyed an evening of dancing, feasting and fun at the pow wow held in the Oneida Nation Elementary School gymnasium. The Sobriety Pow Wow is held to offer a healthy, fun and safe way to ring in the New Year. Other activities included movies and a game area co-sponsored by Wise Women Gathering Place and the CAPPS Good Mind Great Future Program.
Above: Quentin Shawano leads out the traditional dancers during the grand entry.
Right: A jingle dress dancer and girls fancy dancer enjoy an intertribal song.

Appeals Commission logo unveiled



Kali photo/Phil Wisneski

The new Appeals Commission logo was unveiled last week at the Radisson during the Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association quarterly meeting.

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Appeals Commission unveiled their new logo at the Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association quarterly meeting at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in Green Bay on January 5. The logo was designed by Oneida artist Rod Hill and depicts a pine tree, with exposed roots and a wampum belt at the base of the tree.

The logo has been in the works for nearly four years. The prior logo was considered too busy by most commission members and they wanted a different look.

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Logo

Michigan tribe linked to Abramoff charges

By Ken Thomas
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) – The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan was among the tribes caught up in the web of federal conspiracy, fraud and tax evasion charges filed Tuesday against lobbyist Jack Abramoff.

Abramoff pleaded guilty to the charges, promising to cooperate with prosecutors in what could be a wide-ranging influence peddling investigation involving members of Congress. Abramoff faces 30 years in prison and could be forced to pay $25 million in restitution.

Prosecutors said Abramoff and former partner Michael Scanlon conspired to defraud American Indian tribes in Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi and Texas of millions of dollars. Scanlon pleaded guilty in November in a separate case in Washington.

The filing by federal prosecutors does not specify the Saginaw Chippewa tribe, but Abramoff and Scanlon's firm was retained by the Mount Pleasant, Mich.-based tribe in 2002 to perform lobbying and grass roots services.

Prosecutors said in June 2002, Abramoff encouraged the tribe to expand its contract with the company without disclosing that he would receive about 50 percent of the profits from the tribe's payments to the firm.

From June 2002 to October 2003, the tribe paid the firm about $3.5 million and about $540,000 was secretly kicked back to Abramoff as part of the scheme, the court documents said.

"Abramoff used his knowledge of lobbying and grass roots work, which was superior to the Michigan Tribe's knowledge of these areas, to secure and keep the trust and confidence of the Michigan Tribe," the complaint said.

Messages were left Tuesday with tribal leaders.

Bernie Sprague, formerly the tribe's sub-chief, told the Senate Indian Affairs Committee in September 2004 that his tribe paid Scanlon $10 million and Abramoff $4 million over three years but received little in return.

The tribe paid Scanlon $4.5 million for a database of Michigan voters, he said, only to learn later that it could have been purchased for $75,000.

"There is not a word in my language that is strong enough to describe what these people have done to my tribe," Sprague said in Senate testimony. "These unsavory characters who lie, deceive and steal from Indian tribes need to be exposed for who and what they are."

The committee found that Abramoff and Scanlon spent $100,000 to help get eight supporters elected to the Saginaw Chippewa's 12-member council in 2001. Two days after the election, the new council voted to hire Abramoff and Scanlon.

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Adriane Angel Dickinson-Ramirez

Son of Nikki Dickinson and Manuel Ramirez, Sr., was born Dec. 18th at St. Marys Hospital. He was 6 lbs, 14 oz., and 18 inches.

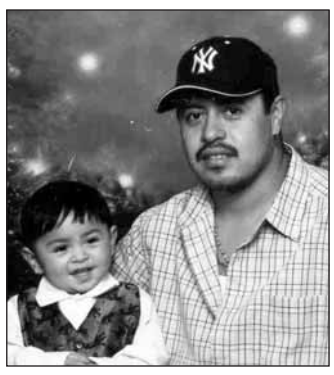
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Happy 2nd Birthday

Juan Carlos Perez-Stevens
On Dec. 18th



You look like your Dad more everyday.
From Mom & Dad and your older sister Nakita

Happy 5th Birthday

Alex
on Jan. 5th
I hope your birthday is as special as you are. We love you…



From your Godparents Nakita & Juan

Happy Birthday

Choga
on Jan. 2nd



From your family that loves and misses you and want you home soon.
Love, your Wife and Kids, Moms and Dads, Brothers and Sisters

Happy 18th Birthday

A special birthday wish to
Fawn
on Jan. 6th



Love Always, Mom

Happy 29th Birthday

Satunhalak Tsi Tesosliyaku Kahlutes
Sid White
on January 6th
to a wonderful son, father and husband. Our prayers for a happy & healthy year.



Love Emma, Gavin, Elise, Grandma Josefa, Grandpa Warren, Mom, Jim, Fawn, Deja and Family

Happy 21st Birthday

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Love always and forever, Mom, Lonnie, Gramma, Grampa Read, and your brothers Matt, John and Alex Sutton.

Congratulations

Michelle
on getting your Associate Degree in Supervisory Management



Love Michael & Billy

Happy 27th Birthday

Satunhalak Tsi Tesosliyaku
Latsi÷ e=lés
Oakley Arnold
on January 7th
Our prayers for health & happiness as you continue on your path



Love, Ruby, Mom, Dad, Gramma Josefa, Grandpa Warren and family.

Happy 55th Birthday

Jim King
on December 28th
Our prayers for a good year.



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Love Sandi & Family

Wedding Announcement



Leland & Jennica Fulwilder

Jennica Marie Metoxen and Leland Russell Fulwilder III were united in marriage August 20, 2005 at The Pres House in Madison, Wisconsin. A reception followed at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center.

The bride is the daughter of Kerry and Colleen Metoxen of DePere, Wisconsin. Jennica graduated from Saint Norbert College and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is a social worker for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of New York City.

The groom is the son of Spencer and Sandra Fulwilder of Scottsdale, Arizona. Leland graduated from Notre Dame High School and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He is a stockbroker for TDWaterhouse in New York. The couple resides in Astoria, New York.

Family Winter Fun Day

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January 14, 2005
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August 23, 2006	August 31, 2006
September 6, 2006	**September 14, 2006**
September 20, 2006	September 28, 2006
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November 1, 2006	**November 9, 2006**
November 15, 2006	Wed., Nov. 22, 2006*
November 29, 2006	**December 7, 2006**
December 13, 2006	December 21, 2006
December 27, 2006	**January 4, 2007**

The deadline dates above are the dates that material must be submitted to the Kalihwisaks Office. Deadline dates are Wednesdays (every other) unless otherwise noted, and Publish dates are Thursdays (every other), unless otherwise noted*. Material can be dropped off at the Kalihwisaks Office, Room 1400 (Basement Level) of the Norbert Hill Center, located at N7210 Seminary Road, or mailed to: Kalihwisaks, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155. Information may also be sent via e-mail or phoned in to: Yvonne Kaquatosh, Ph. #869-4280; Phil Wisneski, Ph. #869-4279; and Dawn Walschinski, Ph. #869-4277. You may also call Debbie, 920-869-4340 or 1-800-236-2214. The Kalihwisaks fax # is: 920-869-4252. Material must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on the scheduled deadline dates. This is only a tentative schedule. If changes in the schedule are necessary, the revised schedule will appear in the Kalihwisaks.

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Temporary Move

Center for Self-sufficiency to begin remodeling

The Center for Self-Sufficiency will be undergoing some remodeling beginning **January 16, 2006**. The remodeling will require all staff of the Food Stamps, Medical Assistance, TANF and Child Care Administration to relocate temporarily (the On-Site Daycare will NOT be affected by the remodeling and will continue to operate according to their regular schedule).

In order for the remodeling to begin it will be necessary to temporarily relocate to the East Wing, Third Floor of the Social Services Building. Staff telephone numbers will not be changing. We expect the temporary relocation to last for a period of 60-90 days (no later than April 1st).

We thank you in advance for your patience while the efforts to improve upon service access is being completed.

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Legal Notice

Oneida Appeals Commission: Original Hearing Body: Notice of Probate.

RE: 05-TC-152, In The Matter of The Estate of Alice Cornelius, Deceased. The estate of deceased **Alice Cornelius**, who is an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation, has entered into probate before a hearing body of the Oneida Appeals Commission. A hearing shall take place on February 7, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. for all heirs and parties-in-interest to the estate, at the Commission office: located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite #1, 3759 W. Mason St, Oneida, WI 54155.

Inquiries for additional information may be directed to:
Administrator/Clerk
Oneida Appeals Commission
P.O. Box 19
Oneida, WI 54155
(920) 497-5800

Job Opportunities

Department of Corrections

Working Title: Agency Liaison 05-03087 Dane County.

Full Time (40 hrs/week)

Salary: The salary will be between $41,960 and $65,145.

Contact: Denise Kohout, HR Specialist Senior, 608-240-5575, denise.kohout@doc.state.wi.us

Deadline to Apply: 1/9/2006 Application materials must be received by 4:30 pm on Monday, January 9, 2005. Exam Information: Exam cannot be previewed. The Department of Corrections, Office of the Secretary is currently seeking an Agency Liaison. This position is responsible for representing the Secretary on various councils and workgroups and is located at 3099 E. Washington Avenue, Madison.

Job Duties: This position serves as the agency' s liaison to Wisconsin Native American Tribes, community-based organizations and advocacy organizations (including both offender and victim), other state agencies and local governments on issues related to current and future Departmental policies, procedures and programs as they relate to these organizations. The position is responsible for establishing and maintaining working relationships with the aforementioned organizations to ensure proper communication of DOC policies, programs or procedures; receiving feedback from the organization; and working with representatives of the organizations to recommend and implement initiatives or changes to current policies, programs or procedures related to offenders and/or victim services.

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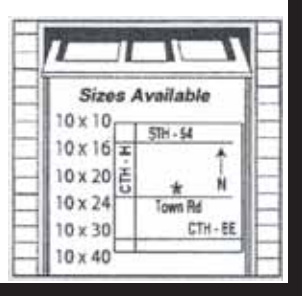
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Amendments to the Real Property Law and Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance which changes the Land Commission from appointed positions to elected positions per General Tribal Council directive..

When: January 10, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this proposal are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Repeal of the half fair rental fee so that non-Oneida married to Oneida Tribal members would no longer be required to pay half fair rental fees on residential leases executed by the Division of Land Management.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Amendments to the OPEN RECORDS AND OPEN MEETINGS Law to specify the Tribal Secretary role as custodian of the OBC & GTC documents and clarify the availability of draft laws and policies.

When: February 7, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: To Adopt the Plumbing Code (New York Law). Pursuant to the Tribe's Land Claim Settlement Agreement with New York State this Code adopts the International Plumbing Code, 2003 edition, including Appendix Chapters, as published by the International Code Council.

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Sports

Women kick it into high gear

by Dawn Waschinski
Kalihwisaks



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Cathy Delgado brings the ball up the field for the O-Town Kickers as they take on the U48's. The SS Novice League plays Wednesday nights at the Sports Emporium at 1856 Nimitz Drive in DePere.

"Just take it from her, **Kalʌna**!" shouts Anna Barton from the sidelines of the indoor soccer field Wednesday night, December 28th.

"Go! Go! Go!" shouts Cathy Delgado as the O-Town Kickers take control of the soccer ball and head for the opposing team's goal.

After years of cheering for their children at sporting events, Oneida women are taking the field at the Sports Emporium in DePere to play indoor soccer.

"Most of us had been watching our kids at the Civic Center soccer league and went to the UW (Green Bay) Phoenix game and were enjoying it and saying, geez, wouldn't it be fun if we could play soccer," said Beverly Scow, one of the team organizers. Cindy Thomas who was at the game knew Rosanne Peterson who played in a women's soccer league.

"Before we knew it, we had a team put together," said Scow, "Alice Skenandore from the Midwives Shop, we invited her to play on our team and she offered to sponsor us instead."

Skenandore paid for the first registration fee and bought shirts for the new team.

"We're the best dressed worst soccer team in the league," said Scow, "But we're just having a good time."

The O-Town Kickers play in the SS Novice League and went 0-8 in it's first eight-week-session. However, the team has found other ways than wins to show their progress.

"We've been measuring our success not by the score board, but by the amount of ice we need after a game," said Scow.

There is a rule in indoor soccer that if one team is down by five goals, they can bring an extra player on the field.

"We've been having that seventh player on the field less and less," said Scow.

While some of the Kickers have experience playing soccer in high school, most only know the game from watching their children. Now the children get to watch their moms.

"We've got the biggest cheering section in the league. We have several of the team players' husbands and their kids come and we get pretty excited," said Scow.

Wednesday night the O-Town Kickers took on the U48's. Players raced up and down the field as the ball changed possession. More experience players took charge as the less experienced struggled with connecting her foot to the ball and the occasional volleyball spike. (Ok, that was me, Dawn Walschinski. I signed up for the current eight-week-session.)

Personal highlight; head butting the ball without fear.

Personal low light; head butts hurt.

"Way to take one for the team!" cheered Delgado as goalie Peterson blocked the ball with her body. Alas, it wasn't enough as the O-TownKickers lost 11-7.

However, true to form, Delgado found an improvement to take pride in.

"It's the most points we've ever had," she said.

Boys hoops limp into 2006

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation boys basketball team continues to struggle this season. With a 1-9 record the Thunderhawks can't find consistency on either end of the floor.

Oneida lost to Bowler 73-71 on January 3. Missed free throws doomed the Thunderhawks as they missed 11 of 24 foul shots.

"The game is pretty simple, if we make our free throws, we win the game," said Oneida head coach Scott Murray. "It's frustrating to work on them every day in practice and not be able to convert when it counts."

Oneida couldn't contain Bowler's Derrick Nillison. Nillison was on fire for the game and finished with 36 points, including 7 three-pointers.

Nick Cantu lead Oneida with 18 points, including four three-pointers.

Oneida 16 8 28 19 - 71
Bowler 15 16 27 15 - 73

Oneida: Powless 5, Cantu 18, Christjohn 2, Hernandez 11, Hill 8, Skenandore 12, Lynk 8, Gutierrez 9. 3-PT: Cantu 4, Powless 1, Hernandez 1, Gutierrez 1. FT: 15-24. F: 14. Fouled out: Hill.



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Gavin Hill (33) shoots over a Bowler defender. The Panthers defeated Oneida 73-71 on January 3.

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Local

From Page 1/*Hoeft to run for District 24 seat*

of introducing herself to the residents of District 24 which includes all of Hobart and parts of Howard, West DePere and Lawrence.

"One of the exciting things is if I'm elected, it's really a vote of confidence from both Oneida and Non-Oneida people that they're going to elect a person who just happens to be Oneida to give them a voice at the county level," she said.

Both Hoeft and Hinz would like to see more diversity on the county board.

"I think our community is changing, our county board, our political element, should represent our whole community," said Hinz.



Patti Hoeft

"Because some of Oneida lies in some of Brown County, we have a strong voice here. This is our home and it will always be our home, and it's important when policies are shaped, that there's a voice that represents the views of Oneida, of women, of families in our community." said Hoeft.

Hoeft doesn't foresee the two-year position interfering with her duties as secretary of the Oneida Business Committee. She likened the once-a-month meetings to obligations held by other committee members such as positions on Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council and other organizations.

"I really see it as an extension of my job for Oneida." she said.

Hot off the press, purple books are in



Kali photos/Phil Wisneski

The new Oneida Nation purple books are now available. The informational books are produced every three years to coincide with the new Business Committee.

During the last administration the 15,000 books that were printed were all gone by the end of the term. This term, their were 20,000 copies printed. The books are available free of charge at the Oneida Nation Communications Department. Call 869-4340 to get your copy today.

Left: Debbie Melchert, Sue Daniels and Cheryl Asman look over the books during a reception at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center.

Green receives medals after 60 years



Photo submitted by Carole Liggins

After several decades, Allen Green finally received three medals and two badges that he had earned as a Private First Class in the United States Army during World War II.

Green received the European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with a Silver Star, WWII Victory Medal, Army Occupation Medal with a Germany Clasp, a Marksman Badge for a 30 Caliber Rifle and a Ruptured Duck Badge which allowed him to wear his uniform for 30 days after his honorable discharge due to a clothing shortage.

Kerry Metoxen, Director of Veterans Affairs, presented the medals to Green at the Veterans Christmas Party December 15th, 2005.

From Page 1/*Interim Chief*

can," said Powless.

Powless has nearly 33 years of law enforcement experience. He worked for the Outagamie County Sheriff's department for twenty years before retiring. He then joined the Oneida Police Department in 1993.

Powless previously stepped in to head the department when police chief Jim Danforth retired.

"I've been in law enforcement for a long time. I patrolled out in the community for a long time. I think the community pretty much knows me," he said.

While it remains to be seen when the police chief position will be posted, Powless believes the department has many experienced people ready to step into the role.

Former police chief Cornelius was fired after a three month investigation. No statement has been made regarding the reasons for his termination.

CORRECTION

On page 4B of the December 22nd issue, birth announcement for Autumn Terri Skenandore should have been November 15th, 2005. We apologize for the error.

On page 4A of the December 22, 2005 issue, Stan Webster was identified as a current member of the Oneida Appeals Commission in a photo caption. Webster resigned from the commission December of 2004. We apologize for the error.

From Page 1/*New Appeals logo*

"We wanted simple and elegant, and that is what we got," said Oneida Appeals Commissioner Winifred Thomas.

Thomas also said the that the decision to select the new logo was unanimous.

"It's very rare to have everyone agree on something," Thomas said. "It was total consensus."

The Commission staff meet with Rod Hill and conveyed to him their thoughts on the new logo and a few weeks later he brought back a handful of drawings.

After a quick discussion, they had made their decision to go with the new logo.

"At first we thought about adding the scales, then we decided no we don't want the scales," said Thomas. "Then we wanted to add the clans, then we backed off and decided no we don't. Through that process, viola this is what we got."

The Appeals Commission said that this was just a soft unveiling to give the Oneida community a glimpse of the new logo, but a grand unveiling is hoping to take place sometime this summer at the annual powwow. Thomas said she is hoping to unveil the logo along with the new judicial act.

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Local

Passing On

Taylor, Tiffany Carolann

January 27, 1981 – December 17, 2005



Tiffany Carolann Taylor, age 24 of Harrisburg, IL, passed away Saturday, December 17th, 2005 at her home. She was born January 27, 1981.

Survivors include her three sons, Jacob, age 9, Chandler, age 4 and Hunter, age 2 of Harrisburg, IL., mother and step-father Sandy and Roger Thomas of Carrie Mills, IL, father and step-mother Crete and Sherry Kasee of Oneida, WI, four sisters and four brothers; Brandon, Amber, Crete, Josh ans Sierra Kasee of Oneida, WI, Nikki, Amanda and Josh Thomas of Harrisburg, IL.

Grandmothers Florence Sneed of Benton, KY, Scharlene Kasee of Oneida, WI, a host of aunts, uncles and cousins.

Also her fiance, Bennie Cooper of Galictia, IL.

She was preceeded in death by her grandfather Earl Sneed.

Harms, Patricia

September 13, 1921 – December 28, 2005



Patricia Harms, 84, Oneida, passed away unexpectedly Wednesday morning, Dec. 28, 2005. She was born Sept. 13, 1921, in South Dakota to the late Richard and Lucinda (Hill) Metoxen. In 1947, she married Lester Harms. He preceded her in death in 1970. Patricia retired from cooking at the casino in 1994. After retirement Patricia took care of several Oneida homebound residents.

Survivors include her children, Joan (Thomas) Boruque, Lester Harms Jr., Sandra (Gene) Wondra, and Patty Harms, all of Oneida. She is further survived by her grandchildren, Todd Wayer, Lester W. Harms III, Shelly Harms, Matt Pursley, Ursula Alexander, Loucinda Conway, Kim Wrobleski, and Dawn Mauer; 15 great-grandchildren; her sister, Ann Speigel; and numerous nieces and nephews further survive her.

Her husband, her daughter, Diane Metoxen; three grandchildren, three brothers and four sisters preceded her in death.

Danforth, Elaine

August 27, 1949 – January 1, 2006



Elaine Danforth, 56, Oneida, passed away early Sunday morning, Jan. 1, 2006, at a local nursing home. The daughter of the late Vernon and Katherine (Metoxen) Jourdan was born Aug. 27, 1949, in Green Bay. Elaine liked doing crafts, liked to go crabbing and eating crabs and was a big Elvis fan.

Survivors include her two children, Tim Danforth and Tonya Schmidt; four grandchildren, Damien, Angel, Damiana and Shanella; her siblings, Kermit Jordan, Kathy "Linky" Elm, Randall and Shirley Jourdan, Valarie and Marshall Groleau, Caroleen and John Jourdan, Aloyious Jourdan, June Wommack, Marvin and Janice Jourdan, Clint and Twila Jourdan; many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, Hubert Jourdan and three sisters, Florence, Florine and Mary Agnes.

LaMotte, Judith D.

April 6, 1944 – December 26, 2005

Judith D. LaMotte, 61, of Oneida died Monday evening December 26, 2005. She was born on April 6, 1944. She married Arthur LaMotte. Judith had worked as a LPN in Illinois before becoming disabled.

Survivors include her husband Arthur, her sister Yvonne and her husband Bill, her brothers Michael and Paul, her brother in law Michael (Vickie) LaMotte, sister in law Sharon (Alfred) Sarnowski, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Her parents preceded Judith in death

2005 Oneida science fair results

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
ONES Science Fair Coordinator

The Oneida Nation School System held their annual science fair on Wednesday evening, December 21, 2005. There were over 100 student participants in grades 5-12, with approximately 85 projects entered. Local professional community members from the Oneida and Green Bay area volunteered as judges. Sixty-four students from grades 5-12 were awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons. Three honorary memorial awards were given for outstanding projects. Six students will be sponsored by the Oneida Nation School System and will be competing at the National American Indian Science & Engineering Science Fair in Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 23-25, 2006. They will be competing with hundreds of other Native American students from reservations and cities nation wide.

21st Annual Oneida Nation School system Science Fair Winners

1st Place

Aleah Jimenez - Healthy Teeth; Matias Metoxen - Batteries; Haley Hill - Baby Wipes; Marty Lee Pyatskowit-Penass - Gum; Maria Bain & Shanna Jourdan - Bouncing Balls; Brandon Andrews & Gage Robertson - Gelatin; Maurense Beans - Second Time Around Underground; Eddie Santiago - Peanut Power; Jose Salas - Balloon Blast Off; Layni Stevens - Detergent Matters.

2nd Place

Caymen Berg Morales - Homemade Root Beer; Geronimo Pocan - Quill Work; Heather Stevens - Indian Medicine; Abalone Paprocki & Kayla Danforth - Human Development; Devan Little & Sonny Jourdan - Paper Airplanes; Carissa Metoxen & Noelle Motexen - Titantic; Tinea Bailey - Shampoo; Quianna Webster - Hair Gel; Anthony Cornelius & Michael Santiago - Dry Ice; Jordan Smith - Volcanic Eruptions; Cheyenne Starr - Holy Hairspray; Maria Metoxen - Up, up & Away; Alexandria Redhail - Toilet Paper Unleashed; Ashley Skenandore - I'm Freezing.

3rd Place

Kaylynn Powless - Pull of Gravity; Diego Metoxen - Twisters; James Hebb, Izaak Jones Mangione & Jonathan Danforth - Hurricanes; Fredrick Miller - War Foods; Devonte Pointer & Paige Ninham- How Do You Make a Thermometer?; Eveyonna Ortega & Corina Lara - Dogs; Matthew Skenadore & Albert King - All About Bass; Bradley Sievers & Javier Murcio - Volcanoes; Gerrid Danforth & Devonne Skenandore - Lightning; Anna Cornelius & Chelsey Cornelius - H2O Electrolysis; Jordan King & Phillip Starr IV - Erosion; Janace Christjohn - Paper Strength; Lily Smith - That's The Way The Ball Bounces; Suzy Webster - Earth Waves; Shane Skenandore - Is It Magic?; Jaylee Godfrey - What Stinks?; Jade Doxtator - The Quicker Picker Upper; James Cornelius - Heating & Cooling Rates of Soil & Water; Daniel McKinney - Super String; Carlos Cornelius-Gonzales - Tornado In a Tube; Joshua Smith - Basketball Blast; Erica Behringer - Germs 'N Us; Rhys Pocan - Kicking Breath; Winona Godfrey - What Are Eating Disorders?; Crystal Metoxen - Leaky Bucket; Shakira Stevens - Do You Study & Test Better While Listening to Music?.

National Winners
Layni Stevens, Maurense Beans, Hayley Hill, Jose Salas, Matias Metoxen, Aleah Jimenez.
Chuck Giordana

Environmental Award
Jordan Smith
Madonna Micheletz

Excellence Award
Maurense Beans
Amos Christjohn

Culture and Language Award
Geronimo Pocan



Kali file photo/Dawn Walschinski

Maria Metoxen creates a hot air balloon for her exibit "Up, Up and Away" which took second place.

Heartfelt Thanks...
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We want to express our thanks and gratitude to the community for the many words of comfort and support and for being there in our time of need. Special thanks to the Oneida singers, all the veterans who honored our Dad, Longhouse ladies for making the meal, the people who brought food, the fire keepers and the drummers/singers. Thank you to Bob Brown, Errol, Vic, Mike Red Hail, Leander, all the friends and relatives for being there. We are very grateful to everyone.

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The Harold King Family

Tiffany Carolann Taylor

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And found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the
earth and saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest.

God's garden must be
beautiful;
He always takes the best.

He knew you were suffering.
He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough,
And the hills were hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyelids
And whispered, "Peace be thine."

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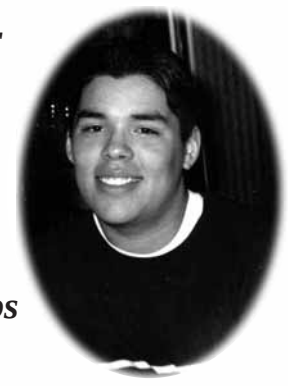
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Thunderhawk Times

Meet The Thunderhawk Times Staff

by Amanda Skenandore
ONHS junior



Tanaya, Julian, and (R.I..P)baby Janessa, her one and only baby sister Michelle and her dog Cinnamin.

Amanda Skenandore is a junior at ONHS. Some people call her Mandy, Rosie, Beyonce, or little Lisa.

Her family includes her grandparents Harvey Skenandore Sr., Patricia (Danforth) Skenandore, her mom Lisa Skenandore, aunt Diane (Skenandore, Hebb)Corn, uncle Harvey Skenandore Jr., aunt Marylisa (Polanco) Skenandore, uncle Chief Corn, her cousins Melissa, Jessica, Jamie, Christopher, Cody, Jaya, Kymberly; three brothers Forest, Jeremish and Trapper and one little sister, Adrianna.

A few weeks from now, Eliza will be in college studying to be an artist at UWGB. That makes sense because her hobbies are drawing and playing video games. Others hobbies of hers include; shopping, painting, rough-housing with siblings and playing tackle football.

Her advise to others? "Life is a game, play it well."

In her spare time Amanda likes to talk on the phone with friends, listen to the radio and go for walks.

After high school, she plans on going to college or working. Amanda's part of the journalism class is the kali, she writes articles that are published in them. You may have seen some of her work in it, like the "Teen Halloween Dance." Amanda's words to live by is "Don't always believe what you hear."

by Jackie Smith
ONHS Senior



Eliza Pelky, an ONHS senior, is nicknamed "Sinn." She says how she got that nickname "was a long time ago and is a long story,"

Eliza is editor of the Kaliwisaks group. That means that if one of her writers doesn't have an idea of what to write, she'll "steer them in the right direction." Eliza's family is made up of her parents Peter and



by THT Staff
ONHS

John Christjohn's family consists of John, three brothers, one sister and his "parental units." His brothers are Roland, Joseph and Tony. His sister is Tanya. His parents are John and Michelle Christjohn.

John likes to draw, clean, and "sometimes do his homework." He and brothers Rollie and Joe all go to ONHS. He hopes to go to college after school, "Hopefully an art school." He is part of the Thunderhawk Times staff, but says he's "Just a writer."

His Inspiration comes from a saying: "Hope is the dream of a waking man."

by THT Staff
ONHS

People call senior Roland Christjohn, "Rollie," but he likes being called by his "real name." What does family mean to "Roland?" Family is made up of the "Ones who are close and care." He likes to "Be with my girl friend in my spare time."

Rollie is 17 and he's been at ONHS since he was a freshman. In journalism, he's a writer in the "Kali group" – working on Thunderhawk Times which he say's "Really isn't all that."

His motto to live by is "Live young, and don't follow, make your own path to lead." He says, people who believe this "Are the ones who get somewhere."

by Eliza Pelky
ONHS senior

Amber Dawn Doxtater is an ONHS senior. Her nickname among her friends is Mer.

Her father is John Doxtater and mother is Stacey Moore. She has many siblings. When I asked her "Who?" she answered with "Jasper Barber, Desiree Barber, RJ Lawrence, Beth Doxtater, Jessica Mauo, Jade Doxtater, Summer Doxtater, Kyle Cree, and the others I forget..."

After high school she plans to go to college. The college(s) that she chose to hopefully attend in the future are Martin's College of Cosmetology for their massage therapy courses and UW-Oshkosh.

The group that she is in at the moment is Parent Newsletter.

Her favorite quote is "Hooked claw, wagon pine... close your eyes, you'll soon be mine. Pointed fang, railroad track... take my sister, she won't fight back."



class. They record and edit film of all sorts of stuff.

Eddie has two younger brothers. In his spare time, he likes to "hang out with his friends, go to the mall/movies, work out, play football and lots of other 'fun stuff.'" After high school, he plans on going to college and possibly playing football. However, he's not sure what college he wants to attend. If there was any advice he could give to people it would be to "Try your best and don't give up."

by THT Staff
ONHS

Eddie Metoxen is a junior at ONHS. He is in the video news crew of the journalism





by THT Staff
ONHS

The name is Anthony Gutierrez. His nickname is Triple OG , Gunther , ATM and other names I can't think of right now.

This Senior's family is "The Gutierrez-Madrid Tribe." In his spare time he loves to hang with Lois, watch movies, bowl, make beats and listen to music. After he graduates he plans to "make money."

In journalism, Anthony's in the Video group. Some of his favorite movies are Scarface, Boys in the Hood, South Central, Menace 2 Society, and any Will Ferrell movie.

One of his many mottos is "Every day above gound is a Good Day" from Scarface.

Narnia, How Was It?

by Amanda Skenandore
ONHS Junior

There is a movie out there called The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. So, Lynn Adrian, ONHS special ed teacher, decided to take several ONHS students to see it. But first they had to read the book and take a test. If they reached 80% or higher, they were able to go. Bay Park Cinema even opened to give the ONHS group a special viewing.

There were so many good parts and sad parts, everyone of all ages should see it. It's the kind of movie that makes me want to take my best friend with me. I would like to see it again and again. One of the students said, "The movie was okay." Another student said, " It was a good movie. It made you want to cry and laugh at the same time." Some other students thought it was "okay" or "dumb" or, even, "stupid." But wait until you see it for yourself, you'll love it.

Gates: An American Success Story

By Lois Stevens
ONHS Junior and Thunderhawk Times editor-in-chief

Today the richest man in the world is a college drop out, Bill Gates. Gates created the most popular and successful software in the world, Microsoft, at the age of 19. He is now considered by many as the most successful person today.

Gates would fall asleep at the computer, only to wake up later and start from where he stopped – you can tell he didn't have much of a social life. Most CEO's had health problems from doing things like that, however, Gates didn't have much problems because he was so young. Gates and Microsoft have created a lot of software, such as; Windows 3.0, 3.11, 95, 98, Millennium, NT, 2000, Office 97, along with many others.

90% of PC's, today, run on some thing made by Microsoft. Gate is now 50 years old, and still young. So you can bet that we are still going to hear good, if not wonderful, things from him in the near future.

Interview with Becky Nutt, a High School Teacher,

by Eliza Pelky
ONHS Senior and Thunderhawk Times group editor



Q. What are you going to back to school for?

A. Masters Degree in Engineering Education.

Q. What motivated you to go back to school?

A. I have been taking classes, but I want to put all her education together.

Q. How many classes do you take?

A. It varies. I'm taking an online class at the moment.

Q. What school do you go to?

A. UW Stevens Point.

Q. What are your hours like for school?

A. Being online, I put in 5-10 hours a week. I also go to discussions and comments in the evenings.

Q. Is it stressful balancing a teaching career with your own class?

A. No. During the school year I take single-credit classes. During the summer, I have been taking 9-10 credit class and also getting some credits from the Eagle Vision Program (UNM).

Q. Are you Happy at what you are doing?

A. I LOVE it!

"Life-long learning is key for everyone" states Becky. And a word of advice from Becky – go to school for the degree.

Pets Monthly

by Eliza Pelky
ONHS Senior

This is Eliza Pelky with your pet monthly. This monthly pet owner I interviewed was Amber Doxtater. She has three pets that are all dogs. She claims that only one out of the three is actually the one she likes.

Q. What kind of pets do you have?

A. Two outside dogs and an indoor dog.

Q. What are the names of the dogs?

A.Soul, Samson, and Pooh.

Q. Did you name any of your pets?

A. I gave Soul his name.

Q. Which is your favorite?

A. That would have to be Soul because he's hyper and I've had him the longest.

Q. How old are each of the dogs?

A. Soul will be about 2 years old in April, Samson is about 4 years old, and pooh is going on 8 or 9 months.

Q. What kind of dogs are they?

A. Soul, I believe, is an Alaskan Malamute; Samson is half Timberwolf and something else; and Pooh is half Husky-half Lab.

Q. Why do you dislike the other two dogs?

A. Samson because he's half Timberwolf and scares the (heck) out of me. I'm not really sure why I don't like Pooh, maybe because she just looks weird and she always eats my muffins.

My Scoop

Concealed Weapon Law Edges Closer, Unfortunately

by Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

[Wisconsin legislators recently passed a concealed carry bill that would make it okay for citizens to carry hidden handguns. Many law enforcement officials have spoken out against concealed carry and Governor Jim Doyle says he will veto the bill. Here is one student's satiric thoughts on the issue.]

I say let everyone just have a gun. Matter a fact, make it mandatory that at birth you are given a gun. Everyone is always complaining about not having guns.

Guns make us safe, right?

Most of these people in the legislature probably don't understand anywhere near the real effects of these bills they pass. So, in theory – if we carry concealed guns – this should make us the safest country in the world, right?

Yes!

And if it doesn't, our country – for some crazy reason – may become the place with the highest gun-related deaths, murders, and everything else. Then, there will be a huge backlash against the pro gun groups. As a result, states will ban guns and weapons all together and then, maybe, we will all live in peace.

Education

Fun art activities with new Art Specialist McCormick

I would like to introduce myself to the Oneida Community. My name is Michelle McCormick, the new Art Specialist at Oneida Recreation. I recently relocated to Wisconsin in July. Born and raised in Florida, I later moved to Louisiana where I obtained a B.A. in Art Education and a Masters Degree in Educational Technology & Supervision.

My background includes graphic design, advertising, mural painting, crafts, art, software design, web page design, music and a strong love for native art, music and culture.

I am the proud mother of two teenage daughters. I am engaged to be married to James B. Smith next month. He was born and raised here in Wisconsin. He is a proud father of one son. He currently works for Oneida Elderly Services. But many of you may know him from when he worked calling Bingo.



McCormick

I am so grateful to be a part of the wonderful things happening at the Oneida Recreation Center. At the Civic Center new Art Courses will be available beginning in January. Exciting new things will be happening. Below is a course listing with the time and day the courses are offered.

The class called THE REAL DEAL is offered to individuals ages 13 - 17 whom have a genuine desire to learn and develop their artistic skills. In order to participate in this program you must sign up and participate daily, as this class is a progressive learning experience. Please call the Rec Center to have your name placed on the list for this program. January classes will begin with learning drawing skills and techniques followed in February with Color Theory and the techniques of painting.

Please see the guidelines for each course listed. We also are looking to paint a mural in Oneida in the Spring. If you know of a location that would like to have a mural painting, please contact me at the Rec Center. This will be a community project for the youth and a great learning experience.

Also we are in need of empty soup cans, tissue rolls, baby food jars and newspapers. These items will be useful in art projects.

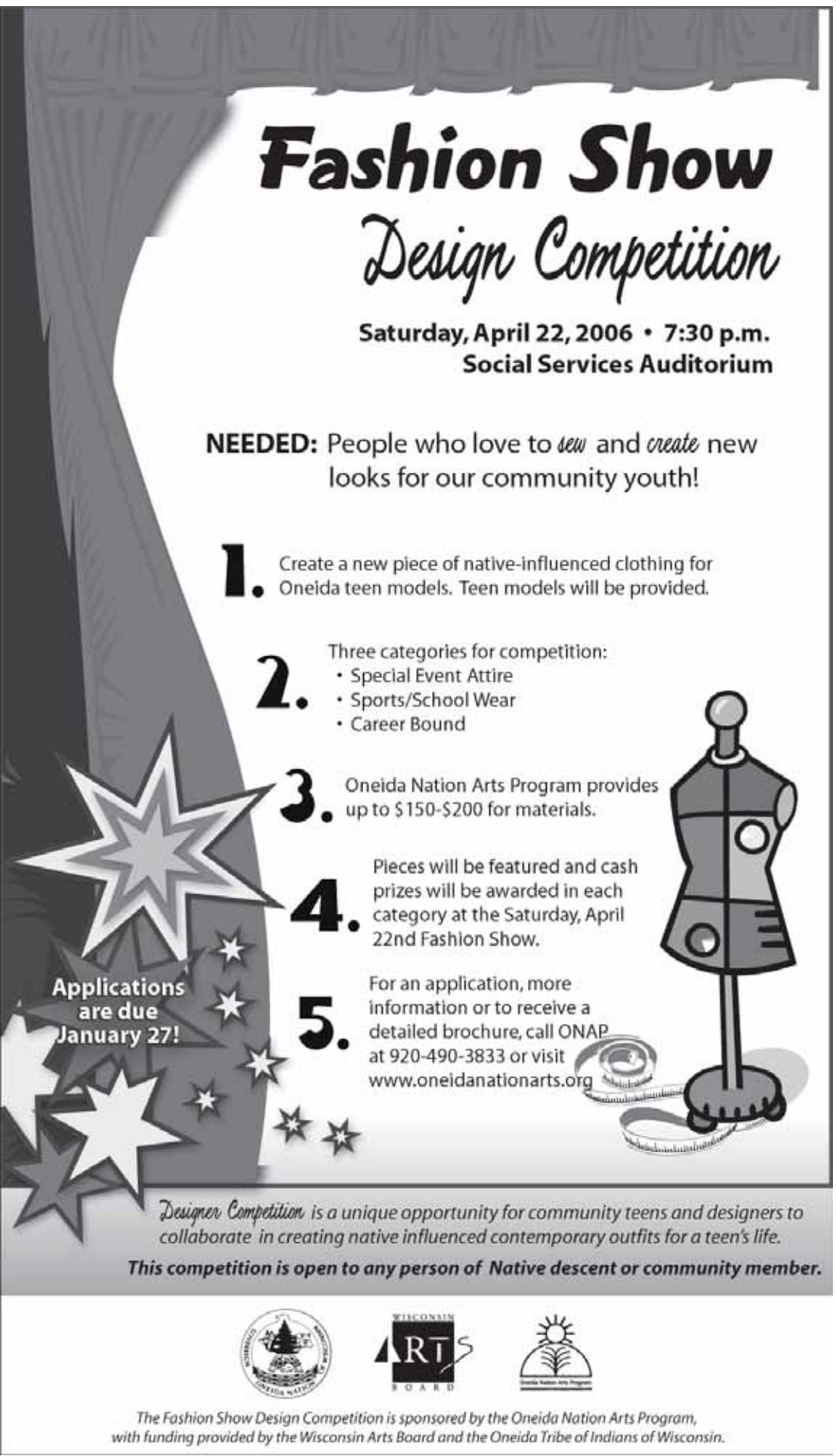
There is also a native night where local native artist are needed. If you know of someone who would be interested in volunteering their time to teach their skills, we would love to hear from them and have them teach a class.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to the Oneida Community for extending a warm welcome to me and my family and for allowing me to be a part of such a great opportunity.

Any comments, questions, or concerns can be directed to me at the Rec Center **869-1088** or my email: **macrileys@yahoo.com.**

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Art Club 5-5:30 pm	Art Club 5-5:30 pm	Art Club 5-5:30 pm	Pull-It-Together 5-5:30 pm	Pull-It-Together 5-6:30 pm
One Hit Wonder 5:30-6:30 pm	Multi-Culture 5:30-6:30 pm	One Hit Wonder 5:30-6:30 pm	All things Native 5:30-6:30 pm	Pull-It-Together 5-6:30 pm
Clean-up 6:30-7 pm	Clean-up 6:30-7 pm	Clean-up 6:30-7 pm	Clean-up 6:30-7 pm	E & E Activity 6:30-8:30 pm
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Clean-up 8:30 - 9 pm	Clean-up 8:30 - 9 pm	Clean-up 8:30 - 9 pm	Clean-up 8:30 - 9 pm	Clean-up 8:30 - 9 pm



Art Club…

Organized for 12-17 year-olds who are interested in creating murals and art work for the Oneida Community and surrounding areas. Activities will include weekly meetings, planning art projects, learning and developing technology skills in relation to art.

All Things Native…

Open to all ages. Learn all about Oneida and other Native cultures to include beading, weaving, jewelry making, sand art, pottery, leatherwork and much more. This class will invite local native artists to come teach their craft and techniques.

E & E (Entertainment & Exploration)…

Activity: Open to ages 13 & up. Explore music, movies, books and more. Participate in critiques and talks around the table. Open lines of communication, self-awareness and sharing are encouraged.

Multi-Culture…

Ages 7-12. Come visit prehistoric art, learn to write your name in hieroglyphics,

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Art Activities

Scholarship Opportunities

Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship Fund

Oneida Elderly Services are delighted to announce the availability of the "Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship". This scholarship is in honor of Roberta Kinzhuma's dedication and hard work that she put forth towards obtaining her Bachelors Degree.

The Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship Fund is set up for women going back to school to further their education and for their continued efforts in academic achievement. The scholarship funds are generated from fund raising activities of the Oneida Elderly Services.

Oneida Women are encouraged to apply for the "Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship". A $300.00 scholarship will be awarded directly to an individual meeting the following criteria:

- Must be single and female
- An enrolled member of Oneida Indians of WI
- Must have a 3.0 or B cumulative grade point average
- Seeking a degree or certificate in an accredited college and/or technical school

Please submit application along with short essay regarding yourself, a copy of your last semesters grades/transcripts, and a copy of your tribal ID.

Applications can be picked up at:
Oneida Elderly Services
2907 S Overland Rd
Oneida WI 54155

Applications are due January 20th, 2006. Winner will be announced via telephone and tribal group-wise on January 27th, 2006. Presented at the AMVETS Community Service Awards Banquet February 2nd, 2006.

If you have any questions, please contact Tina Pospychala at **869-2448 x-4954**

UWM Scholarships in Computer Science, Engineering and Mathematics

This is a special program sponsored by the National Science Foundation for study at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Entering freshmen for the 2006-07 academic year are eligible to apply if they have a minimum 2.75 overall high school grade point average on a 4 point scale. They must have at least 3 years of natural science in high school with a gpa of at least 3.0. Applicants must submit 2 letters of recommendation, plus a 1-2 page statement describing their academic and career interests in computer science, engineering or mathematics.

Up to 20 applicants will be chosen to receive a tuition grant of $3000 per year, for up to 2 years. They will also receive dedicated advising and academic support, work opportunities related to academic studies, advanced problem solving and research opportunities, and various additional benefits.

For further information and applications contact **Sharon Kaempfer**, CSEMS Program, U of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, P O Box 784, Milwaukee WI 53201. You can call Sharon at **414-229-4667**. Application deadline for this scholarship is **March 17, 2006.**

Oneida Trust Scholarship

The Oneida Trust Scholarship was established as a financial aid resource to assist eligible enrolled Oneida Tribal members in securing higher education opportunities.

Students must be attempting to meet post-secondary entrance requirements in order to become officially accepted at an accredited institution (i.e., required preparatory courses, or exams such as the GRE, GMAT, LSAT, etc.).

Must be enrolled in the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, must have applied for admission to post-secondary institution, must show proof of requirements, must be in academic good standing (2.0 grade point average for undergraduates and 3.0 for graduate students).

The Trust Scholarship shall be a resource of last resort; students may receive up to a maximum of $1,000.

Please call the Higher Education Office at **920-869-4033 or 800-236-2214 X 4333,** or contact us on the web at **oneidanation.org.**

Indian Health Service Scholarships

Competitive applications are now being accepted for academic year 2006-2007 Indian Health Service (IHS) Scholarship Programs. The purpose of the scholarship program is to train the health professional personnel necessary to staff IHS health programs and other health programs serving Indian people. The scholarships fall under 3 categories: (1) Health Professions Preparatory, (2) Health Professions Pre-graduate; and (3) Health Professions. Scholarship winners receive the cost of tuition and fees, books, uniforms, and a stipend to cover living expenses. Applicants must be American Indian or Alaska Native. For more information and/or application materials visit the Indian Health Service website at **www.ihs.gov/index_main.asp**

You can also E-mail Tony Buckanaga, Scholarship Coordinator, at:
tony.buckanaga@ihs.gov
Or call Tony at 218-444-0486 or 800-892-3079. **Deadline for all application materials is February 28, 2006.**

Deadline drawing near for Native American Congressional Internship

The Morris K. Udall Foundation established the Native American Congressional Internship Program, a 10-week internship in Washington D.C., to give Native American college students an opportunity to learn about the federal government from the inside. Candidates for the internship must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe, be at least a college junior, have a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0, and have an interest in tribal government and policy. Interns are provided with airfare to and from Washington D.C., lodging at a local university, daily allowance for meals, transportation and incidentals, and a $1,200 educational stipend at the conclusion of the internship. For more information go to or contact Program Coordinator Monica Nuvamsa at **520-670-5187 or email her at: nuvamsa@udall.gov**

Deadline for applications is January 31, 2006.

Health/Enviro

Home Performance Tests: Who Needs Them?

Submitted by Laura Manthe
Environmental Resource Board

Did you know that one in every four home in Wisconsin is poorly insulated or drafty; often resulting is higher energy bills, window condensation, ice dams on the roof or mold in the house?

Are you concerned about your energy bills this winter? Would you like to know what you can do to improve your homes energy efficiency? Qualifying Wisconsin residents can apply for the Targeted Home Performance Test and they pay only 10% of the cost of the improvements. For an application call 1-800-762-7077.

For those who don't qualify for the Targeted Program there is the Home Performance Tests with Energy Star that is a state wide program that any homeowner can use. Now until February 28, 2006 Wisconsin Focus on Energy will take $100.00 off the cost of the test and the Oneida Environmental Resource Board will match the $100.00 off the cost of the test to encourage Wisconsin Oneida home owners to participate. Your cost for the test will be between $50.00 and $150.00 depending on the consultants fee.

The Home Performance Test provides quality assurance from an independent professional consultant who will preform a Blower Door Test to measure how tight your home is and find the leaky areas, a Combustion Safety Test to ensure your furnace or hot water heater is properly drafting and not producing carbon monoxide, an Exhaust Ventilation Test to ensure the bathroom fan has the power to get rid of excess moisture, and an Infrared Camera Scan to locate missing insulation behind walls and in the attic.

The home owner will receive a report that includes customized detailed information such as fact sheets, photos, infrared pictures and research information. It will propose solutions to any existing problems, and suggestions for preventing further problems from occurring.

After the home owner completes the work to address the recommendations, the consultant will return to re-test the house and verify that the insulation, ventilation and air sealing work is completed and effective.

The homeowner may be qualified to receive a Customer Reward up to $650.00 from Home Performance with Energy Star and the Oneida Environmental Resource Board will match the Reward up to the cost of the improvements.

For Wisconsin Oneida home owners please call Laura Manthe at **920-496-5360** or **lmanthe@oneidanation.org** for a list of participating authorized consultants. And join us for a Community Meeting on Tuesday January 10, at 6:00 pm at Ridgeview Plaza to meet local authorized consultants and learn more about the test.

For all Wisconsin homeowners to arrange an evaluation today or to find a Home Performance consultant in your area at **1-800-762-7077** or go to:

www.focusonenergy.com.

Community Meeting for Oneida Home Owners

Sponsored by: Environmental Resource Board

Home Performance Tests with Energy Star
Tuesday Jan 10, 2006
6:00 PM
Ridgeview Plaza Suite #4

Meet local authorized consultants and learn what the Test is all about. Corn Soup will be served.
For more info call Laura Manthe at **496-5360.**

Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department

The Screening Process for potential applicants

The Screening Process

The screening process is an important step in the hiring process. However, there are many misconceptions about how the screening process works. Some believe the Human Resources (HR) Specialist is the only one who decides who gets an interview. Others believe the HR Manager chooses. Still others believe there is a "secret list" of who does not get an interview. Each of these beliefs is a misconception. Let's walk through how the screening process works.

After a position is closed, a process begins called the "screening process." The goal of this process is to identify a list of qualified applicants to be interviewed. The screening process is conducted by a screening committee who determine if the applicants meet the job requirements. The end result of the screening process is a list of qualified applicants to interview for the position.

The Screening Committee

The screening committee consists of the open position's supervisor, the HR Specialist, a Personnel Commission member and the Area Manager (at his/her option) who are each voting members in the screening. This committee comes together after the position is closed to screen the applicants. The Personnel Commission member is a part of the committee to represent the Oneida community-at-large in the selection of Tribal employees. The Area Manager may participate as a member of the screening committee at their choice. (Please note: Only if the Area Manager is a part of the screening committee can the Area Manager also serve as a voting member in the interview process.)

Screening the Applications

The screening committee reviews every application to ensure the application:

* is complete
* is accurate
* was submitted on time
* meets minimum required and essential qualifications on the job description

An application must be entirely filled out to be considered complete. Applicants cannot leave portions of the application blank to be completed later. Applicants must also provide accurate information. Some information disclosed on the application is verified by HRD through background checks. All applicants receive a written receipt of the arrival time/date of their application to HRD. If an application is incomplete, inaccurate or late, the application may be screened out.

An application that is complete, accurate and on time will then be reviewed to ensure that it meets any minimum or essential qualifications. This may include specific education, experience, certification, drivers license, etc. Applications must meet ALL the requirements to be eligible for an interview. The screening process is complete when all the applications have been reviewed and a list of qualified applicants to be interviewed is established.

Applicants who have been screened out will receive notification that they have not been chosen for an interview. Applicants who are eligible for an interview will receive a letter with the date, time and location of their interview.

Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department

Generosity knows no boundary…



Photo courtesy of HRD

Pictured above are some staff within the Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department, commonly known as H.R.D. Every year at Christmas, H.R.D. staff nominate a family to receive gifts and food donations. This is the sixth annual Adopt-A-Family program. A total of 9 families have been assisted, through the Adopt-A-Family program, within the last six (6) years. This year, a Oneida single mother with five (5) children was adopted by H.R.D. The gifts and food certificate was delivered on Monday, December 19, 2005.

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discover what gargoyles really were and more. Visit and create the time line of art and discover the many cultures that have created it.

One Hit Wonder…

Ages 7-12. One hour projects, crafts and holiday projects for Christmas, Mother's Day, Valentines Day, etc. Easy to do and learn crafts. Take home projects the same day.

Holiday fun with Oneida Elderly Services

Submitted by Sara Loken
Elderly Services Intern

Oneida Elderly Services knows how to bring in a New Year. The elders celebrated with the Elder Christmas Party on December 16th at the Radisson. The Christmas Party started off with Thunder Country, a local country-western band, then lunch was served courtesy of the Oneida Business Committee. After lunch there were many prizes given away to lucky ticket holders. In addition a Packer autographed football was raffled off and a 50/50 raffle winner won approximately $400. The elders also participated in a jigging contest while the ONCOA board judged the best and most creative jig.

The fun doesn't stop there. January is full of activities at Oneida Elderly Services. Every Monday and Thursday morning in January there is PACE exercise at 10:00 a.m. at Elderly Services. PACE is exercise performed while sitting. PACE is specially geared towards people with arthritis. Monday afternoons in January there will be Bingo at 1:00 p.m. at Site II. There will also be Bingo every Wednesday afternoon in January at 1:30 p.m. at the Highway H facility. Wednesday the 11th and 25th at 10:00 a.m. there will be an Instructor at Elderly Services teaching the elders the basics of the Oneida language. Anyone 55 and over are welcome to attend. Thursday the 12th and 26th at 1:30 p.m. the elders will be going to Ashwaubenon Lanes for bowling. Sign up at the Senior Center is necessary to ride along on the Elderly Services bus.

As always every Friday in January the elders will be going shopping and out to lunch from 10:00 to 3:00 p.m. The bus leaves from the Senior Center after breakfast.

Now that the holidays are passed join in the fun at Oneida Elderly Services.

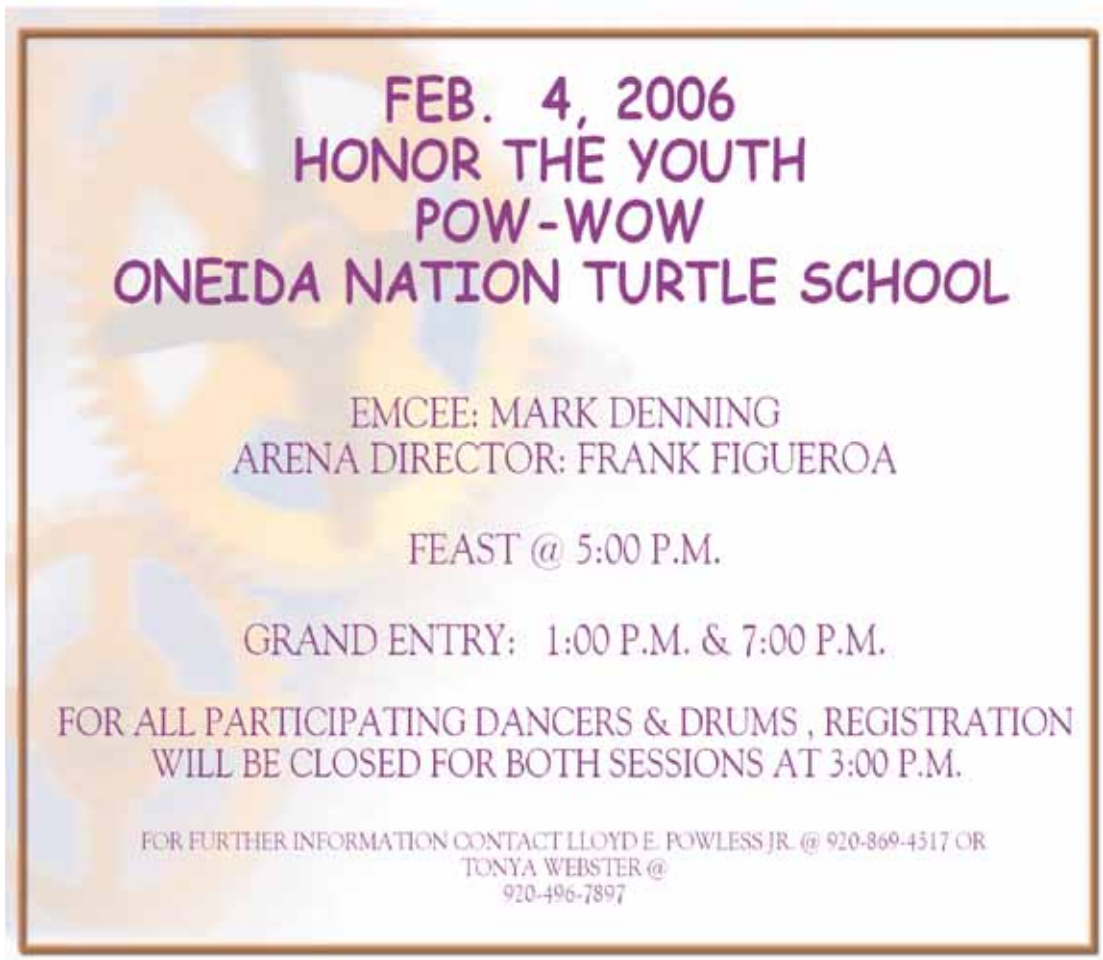
ATTENTION

The Oneida Nation Museum exhibit area will be **CLOSED** for the **MONTH OF JANUARY 2006** for renovations.

However, the ***Museum Gift Shop*** will continue to be open for your convenience.

The Gift Shop's hours of operation are…
9–5PM Tuesday thru Friday

Watch for information regarding our Grand Re-Opening Reception in February and have a great **HOYAN!**



State

Schools asked to drop mascots

Madison, Wis. (AP) The state schools superintendent is asking Wisconsin school districts to drop American Indian names, mascots and logos, saying they perpetuate stereotypes.

Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster sent letters making her request to 39 districts in late December.

According to a group representing Indian educators, the Wisconsin Indian Education Association, the state has 39 schools with Indian logos, mascots and names, including the Auburndale Apaches, the Wisconsin Rapids Red Raiders, the Rib Lake Redmen and the Tomahawk Hatchets.

Burmaster wrote in her letter, "As you know, I believe that stereotypical American Indian logos do not support sound educational practice because they interfere with a school's efforts to provide accurate information related to history, culture and tribal sovereignty of American Indian nations."

She said the state's schools must make sure all students feel welcome.

"Stereotypical logos can hurt our children, albeit unintentionally," she wrote.

Burmaster said she supports two identical bills in the Legislature that would force districts to prove their mascots did not promote discrimination and stereotypes if a resident complained. If they could not, they would have to change their mascots within a year or face fines of up to $1,000 a day.

The bills have not been assigned to committees yet. Sen. Luther Olsen, R-Berlin, chairman of the Senate Education Committee, said he did not agree with the bills or Burmaster's position.

"If we ever believe in local control, we have to let them choose their mascots," he said of schools.

But Barb Munson of the Wisconsin Indian Education Association said all school boards need to address the issue.

"I think the thing I find particularly pernicious about using (Indian names) in the public schools is that's where we're teaching people; that's where we're telling people what life is," she said.

At Mukwonago High School, where sports teams are known as the Indians, senior Tim Reiter said he sees no reason to find a new name, and few people have asked for one.

"It's been around for a while. It's part of our heritage," he said.

State to resume talks with Ho-Chunk

Ryan J. Foley
Associated Press

Madison, Wis. – Within a matter of months, state government will resolve a bitter dispute with the Ho-Chunk Nation over $60 million in gaming revenues it claims the tribe owes, Gov. Jim Doyle's top aide predicted Tuesday.

The state believes the Ho-Chunk owe that amount under a compact that called for the tribe to pay $30 million in 2004 and 2005 to run its casinos. The Ho-Chunk withheld the money after the state Supreme Court in 2004 ruled tribal compacts signed by Doyle were unconstitutional.

If negotiators fail to reach an agreement, an arbitrator appointed last month by a federal judge in Madison will issue a binding ruling on the dispute by June, Department of Administration Secretary Stephen Bablitch said. A tribal negotiator said Tuesday he hoped to reach an agreement soon.

"The arbitration will actually be along a parallel path with negotiations," Bablitch said. "I'm confident that the state will get money but the question is, is it $60 million or something other than $60 million?"

Bablitch spoke to reporters at the Capitol after a Senate committee voted to confirm him as Doyle's top aide, sending the appointment to the full Senate for consideration. Bablitch, a former prosecutor, Department of Corrections secretary and business executive, is responsible for running the state bureaucracy.

When he took over the job after Marc Marotta quit in October, Bablitch also became the point man in gaming negotiations with the state's American Indian tribes. Within a week the state reached a new compact with the Potawatomi tribe, which left the Ho-Chunk as the last tribe without an agreement.

Other Wisconsin tribes reached new agreements after the state's high court ruled in 2004 that Doyle overstepped his authority in approving agreements with tribes that allowed more games such as craps and roulette and that had no expiration dates.

The Ho-Chunk tribe, which runs casinos in the Wisconsin Dells, Nekoosa and Black River Falls, stopped offering the new games after the ruling and said it would withhold payments to the state until it reached a new deal. With negotiations at a stalemate, the state asked U.S. District Judge John Shabaz in October to appoint an arbitrator.

SEOTS annual report

Southeastern Wisconsin Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board

Semi Annual Report to the Oneida General Tribal Council January 2006

It shall be the purpose of the Board to set missions and goals for the delivery of services; to act as liaison between Oneida Social Services servicing southeastern Wisconsin and the Oneida People residing therein; to review the program's budget; to guide and advise the program's administration; to provide guidance in all the factions of the Board; and to report and advise the Business Committee, and SEOTS staff in any and all relative communications.

Throughout the year we have worked on these goals as specified above. Current members of the Board are: Jo Swamp, Chairperson; Alan Fabian, Vice Chair; Jacqueline Rupp, Secretary; Lori Lutz, Board Member; Kim Reyes, Board Member; and Sharon Clark, Board Member

We have revised our by-laws to better achieve these goals and the LOC is in the process of reviewing these revisions.

The Board hosted a candidates forum for Business Committee and worked the poles at the SEOTS office so members could have their vote in the area.

We have worked with the administration of the Tribe in developing and sending a survey to the members of southeastern Wisconsin to identify the needs of the members to better provide the services to meet those needs. If you have not received a survey call **1-877-214-7183** between 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. It is important that members respond so we can plan for the future.

At the time of this annual meeting a year and a half will have passed since the General Tribal Council passed a motion to direct the Business Committee to provide assistance to the SEOTS Program to locate long term facilities. To date a facility has been identified and we are hopeful in moving forward with this purchase.

We continue to advise the Program Director on viable programs and services to provide to the members of southeastern Wisconsin, however given the limits of the existing facility this is very difficult as space is very limited an inadequate.

Communication is another area that has been identified as an area that needs improvement. Over the next year we hope to improve communications between department, staff, the community and the Tribe.

We are always looking for new ideas and needs that need to be met in the community and welcome your comments.

Respectfully Submitted

Jo Swamp, Chairperson on behalf of the SEOTS Board, 12-13-05.

Milwaukee Community *Meeting*

Where: SEOTS Smart Building

Time: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, January 27, 2006

Agenda: Prescription Drug Medicare – D Updates
Questions and Answers
Extra Help Assistance and Senior Care



National

Group prepares lawsuit to stop Buffalo casino

By Carolyn Thompson
Associated Press Writer

Buffalo, N.Y. (AP) Assemblyman Sam Hoyt, preservationists and anti-gambling groups will go to court next week to try to halt construction of a Seneca Indian Nation casino in the city.

The group on Friday announced plans to file a lawsuit in U.S. District Court Tuesday that claims federal agencies, including the Department of the Interior, ignored laws governing the approval process for gambling on Indian land.

They'll ask a judge to declare the casino illegal.

The announcement came as the Senecas celebrated the partial opening of a 26-story luxury hotel adjacent to their existing casino in Niagara Falls. The Senecas Friday opened the first 10 floors of the hotel, which towers over the Niagara Falls, N.Y., skyline, with plans to open the full hotel in March.

The Senecas' broke ground on the Buffalo casino Dec. 8 on nine acres of land currently occupied by an early 1900's grain elevator complex which preservationists say is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

In addition to challenging the casino approval process, the lawsuit will claim that government officials did not consider the social and environmental effects of a casino on historical and natural resources, the plaintiffs said.

"The rule of law is only as strong as the will to abide by it and to enforce it," said Joel Rose, co-chairman of Citizens Against Casino Gambling in Erie County, "and sometimes it falls to private citizens to step forward for the public good."

Others involved in the lawsuit include the National Coalition Against Gambling Expansion, the Preservation Coalition of Erie County and the Campaign for Buffalo.

The Senecas' Buffalo casino would be the third and final one allowed under the tribe's 2002 gambling compact with Gov. George Pataki, which arose out of state's efforts to find new revenues following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. Pataki and the Legislature authorized up to six Native American casinos in the state, three in western New York and up to three in the Catskills.

The compact with the Senecas requires the tribe to give a sliding percentage of casino slot machine revenues to the state and casino host cities. The state's share of proceeds from the Niagara Falls casino and the Senecas' second casino in Salamanca was $57.1 million in 2004.

The new Niagara Falls hotel is topped with a five-story high-definition television screen shaped like a feather that is expected to be the brightest landmark seen from across the border in Canada, and visible from the upper floors of buildings in Buffalo 25 miles away. The building also has 19-story illuminated waterfall symbols on two sides.

The single feather is recognized within the Iroquois Confederacy as the symbol of the Seneca Nation.

Campbell says no to running for governor

By Steven K. Paulson
Associated Press Writer

DENVER (AP) - First it was state Rep. Mark Larson, a moderate Republican who decided not to run for the state Senate, citing arm-twisting by conservatives.

Then it was Sen. Norma Anderson, a respected GOP moderate, who resigned a year short of the end of her term Tuesday, saying "it has become too partisan for me."

Hours later, former U.S. Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell, a Democrat-turned-Republican and until his retirement from Congress the only American Indian in the Senate, announced he wouldn't run for governor. He said he had lost his taste for politics because conservatives were demanding "absolute obedience."

In Colorado and other states, an ideological split is dividing the GOP, said Bob Loevy, a political science professor at Colorado College in Colorado Springs.

"The moderates are opting out" in a backlash from the demands of conservatives, he said, and the split is allowing Democrats to make gains.

Independent pollster Floyd Ciruli said the GOP's problems in Colorado are compounded by the fact that Republican Gov. Bill Owens is term-limited and has alienated the right wing of the party by supporting last November's successful campaign to persuade voters to ease tax limits.

Ciruli said the split could prevent Republicans from regaining control of the state House and Senate, which they lost in 2004 for the first time in 42 years, and could even allow the Democrats to win the governor's office and a fourth congressional seat.

Larson's decision not to run for the state Senate could be especially damaging to the party. He was considered a key player in the GOP attempt to retake the chamber, where Democrats have a one-vote majority.

"They're making it so hard, you either follow them or you're not a Republican," Larson said of the party's conservatives.

Republican John Andrews, a former president of the state Senate, said Larson, Anderson, Campbell and other moderates are out of step with the party on such key conservative issues as taxes, labor unions, abortion and the role of government.

"I think if there is a thread with what these three have said and done recently, they seem to be facing up to the reality that maybe their times have come and gone," Andrews said.

State Republican Party Chairman Bob Martinez said the criticism was just grousing by term-limited Republicans on their way out.

He said Republicans have always disagreed over the best ways to deal with conservative issues, and those divisions were in plain view during the debate over relaxing tax limits.

But the split is starting to heal, he said.

"We've had some positive meetings with elected officials and everyone seems focused on the job at hand, focused on taking back the Legislature and keeping the governorship," Martinez said.

Larson said the divisions run deeper than Martinez has acknowledged.

"If you're pro-reproductive rights, which is not necessarily pro-abortion, you're not a Republican. If you believe taxes play an appropriate role in government, you're not a Republican. I hope this will be a wake-up call for the party," Larson said.

State Democratic Party Chairwoman Pat Waak said the split is helping her party.

"People walk up and say, 'I used to be a Republican and I don't have a party anymore.' This does create an opportunity for us," she said.

Campbell, who won nine races and served 22 years in public office, said right-wing Republicans are driving away good candidates.

"You can't be held to a strict ideological code that you can't do anything about. What they want is absolute obedience," Campbell said. He refused to name names.

He mentioned running for governor as early as September 2004, after announcing he would not seek another term in the U.S. Senate.

Campbell said Tuesday the prospect of long hours, low pay, high stress and "constant attacks" were also factors in his decision not to seek the governor's mansion.

"If you read it in the classifieds, nobody would run for that job," Campbell said. "I wasn't worried about losing, I was afraid of winning," he said.

LOC Update

Legislative Operating Committee

January 2006

latest news

Amendments to the Open Records and Open Meetings Law

The LOC forwarded to the Oneida Business Committee amendments to the Open Records and Open Meetings Law to specify the Tribal Secretary role as custodian of the OBC & GTC documents and clarify the availability of draft laws and policies. A public hearing will be held in February.

New York Laws

As part of the Land Claim Settlement with the State of New York, the Tribe agreed to adopt particular laws in connection with the casino the Tribe secured under the settlement agreement. These laws include a plumbing code and building code. Public hearings will be held in February on these proposed laws. It is important to note that these proposals contain an automatic repeal provision in the event that the Land Claim Settlement with the State of New York fails to culminate.

more info

Public Hearings

All Tribal members are encouraged to review and submit comments on proposals during the public hearing process. Unless otherwise noted, all public hearings are held in the Business Committee Conference Room (2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center).

On **JANUARY 10, 2006 at 11:30 a.m.,** public hearings will be held on the following proposals:

★ PERMANENT REPEAL OF THE HALF FAIR RENTAL FEE

★ LAND COMMISSIONERS AS ELECTED POSITIONS AMENDMENTS

On **FEBRUARY 7, 2006 at 11:30 a.m.,** public hearings will be held on the following proposals:

★ AMENDMENTS TO THE OPEN RECORDS AND OPEN MEETING LAW

★ NEW YORK LAWS: PLUMBING CODE AND BUILDING CODE

★ **If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposals or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376.** *Copies of these proposals are also available on the LOC Website:* ***www.on-loc.org***

meet the loc

The Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) consists of the 5 Council member positions of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC).

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The members of the LOC serve 3 year terms consistent with the Tribal election of the OBC.

when we meet

When in session, the LOC meets every other Monday at 9:00am in the Business Committee Conference Room (2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center).

Completed agenda item request forms should be received by the Wednesday prior to a LOC meeting in order to be placed on the agenda.

The LOC has three sessions per term. Each session begins in the Fall and ends in the Spring.

Please note, all items not adopted by the previous Oneida Business Committee (2002-2005 term) do not carry-over into the new term. Therefore, any item not adopted prior to July, 2005 would need to be reintroduced in order for it to be considered.

There is also a Midwinter Break each session. This year, the break will be from December 20, 2005 thru January 6, 2006.

THE NEXT LOC MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 9, 2006.

visit us on the web

www.onloc.oneidanation.org

The LOC website contains all of the Oneida Laws and includes:

- A listing of the LOC members and their biographies.
- The Oneida Tribal Constitution.
- Active Files List. A summary and listing of all items pending before the LOC and official actions taken.
- LOC approved minutes.
- Public Hearing Notices and Documents. Any upcoming public hearing notices and documents are also posted on the website.

LOC ACTIVE FILES LIST

These are the items currently before the LOC:

- Back Pay Policy
- Boards, Committees and Commissions
- Education Code
- Election Law
- Election Law: Primary Elections for Business Committee Positions
- Half Fair Rental Repeal
- Hall of Fame Ordinance Amendments
- Internal Security Issues
- Labor Code
- Law Enforcement Ordinance
- Land Commission Elected Positions
- LEED Resolution
- New York: Building Code and Plumbing Code
- New York: Tribal Environmental Quality Review Act (TEQRA)
- Open Records/Open Meetings Law Amendments
- Police Commission Stipends
- Salary Structure
- SEOTS Bylaws
- Trust Scholarship Fund

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Legislative Operating Committee "Balancing Issues"

Legislative Review/Letters



Chairman's Corner...

Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Hoyan!

As we enter into this new year and throughout the upcoming year, I hope to share some interesting and informative stories about the various programs and services the Oneida Tribe provides.

One such service is provided through the Veterans Affairs Department, which is managed by Director Kerry Metoxen. Kerry has been working in the Veteran's Affairs Department for the past three years after accepting the position following the retirement of Mr. Gary Metoxen. Kerry is the proud father of 5 children and has been happily married to his wife Colleen for the past 30 years. Kerry was previously in the Air Force for 20 years and retired in February of 2000. His service record includes the Persian Golf War, time in the country of Oman during Dessert Shield and in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia during Dessert Storm. As a member of the Oneida VFW Post 7784 and a veteran, Kerry brings the experience and knowledge to provide the best services possible to our veterans across the state.

Another valuable asset to the Veteran Affairs Department is Veterans Benefit Specialist Carolyn Miller who has worked in the office since September of 1997. As a Benefits Specialist, Carolyn assists veterans and their families in securing all possible entitlements and other benefits, and she also serves as an advocate in providing referral and follow-up services. In June of 2003, Carolyn traveled to Milwaukee and successfully completed the State Accreditation Test. Carolyn also assists the VFW, AmVets and WIVA Oneida Chapter. Carolyn's spouse is Rendell Miller and they have four children.

The valued staff of this department act as a point of contact for Oneida Veterans, and they also coordinate and provide services to Oneida Veterans living in other parts of the state. Eligible veterans participate from all agencies of the armed forces: Army, Air Force, Navy, Merchant Marines and Coast Guard. Highlights for this program in 2005 include the following points: a total of 1,189 client visits was made to the department, 135 veterans were assisted with compensation claims, 7 veteran home loans were provided and 26 - DD214's, medals and headstones were provided. The Veterans Department is also able to provide gas vouchers to eligible participants. Annually, Veterans Affairs Department also assists with facilitating state and federal funding in the amount $600,000.00 for veteran compensation (due to disability by injury or disease incurred as a result of military service) and pensions (financial support for veterans who served during war time).

The Oneida community also has four prominent veterans groups who participate in our community functions. They are the Oneida V.F.W. Post 7784, S.E.O.T.S. Veterans, Oneida Chapter of the WI Indian Veterans Association and the Oneida AmVets Post 54. Each of these organizations serves our community throughout the year in various ways, from assisting with fund raisers, providing security at events such as the Family Carnival, providing full military honors at veterans' funerals, to distributing holiday packages to families in need of support. The values these organizations display exemplify their outstanding character and commitment to helping one another and supporting the family and community.

Oneida has a proud history of our people serving in the military and our veterans are held in high regard with honor. I would also like to acknowledge and thank those service men and women currently engaged in the various branches of the military. Their continued commitment to providing our nation with the freedom we enjoy is highly commendable. I would like to also extend my sincerest appreciation to the Veterans Affairs Department staff, Kerry and Carolyn, for making their mission a reality for so many. The department's mission is to "Provide Quality Service and Assistance in the Delivery of Entitlements and Benefits due our Oneida Veterans and their Families." Complete information on how to obtain services through the Oneida Veterans Affairs Department can be obtained by calling 920-490-3920 or 1-800-236-2214.

Yaw^ko
Gerald L. Danforth,
Tribal Chairman

Monday, January 9, 2006

Chairman Danforth's
State of the Nation Address

5:00 P.M.

Serving Lite snacks and beverages

Annual GTC Meeting

6:00 P.M.

Norbert Hill Center
Second Floor Conference Room

Please bring Tribal Identification and Annual Book to the meeting.

GOOD MIND... "a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking" great future!

C.A.P.P.S. Dinner:
Women of the Community
Tuesday, January 31, 2006

NEW LOCATION: PARISH HALL
5:30pm—7:30pm



Come and Celebrate the amazing women in Oneida!

Ron Hill will help present a special honoring of community women, brought forward by youth and members of the community. Each woman will be recognized with a token of appreciation.

CCR for Youth and Families has joined with the CAPPS Advocacy committee to host the dinner!

Dinner includes venison, wild rice and other traditional foods

For more information about the event or forms to nominate women, contact: Justine at (920) 490-3854

Free Event
Open to Everyone

CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is a national model that mobilizes the community to share resources, ideas, and information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, and U.S. Dept. of Justice.

Letters, Opinions...

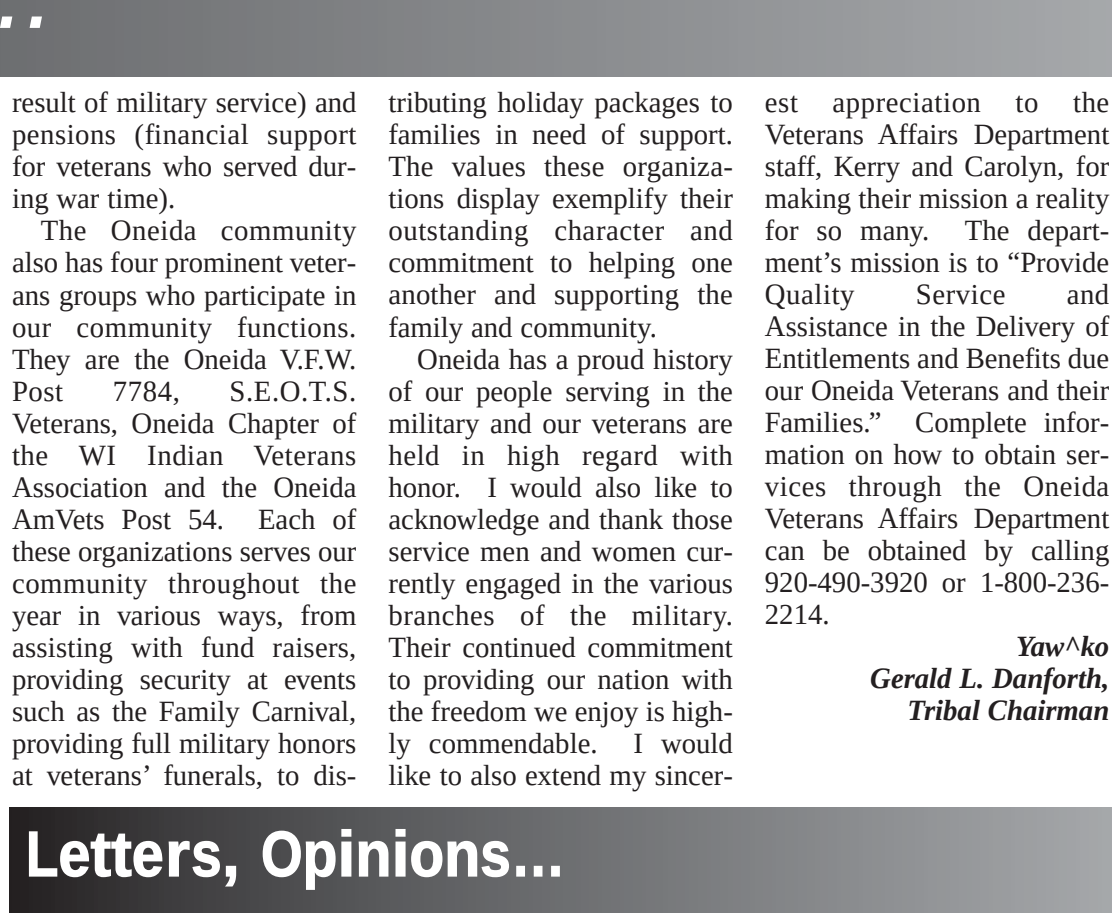




Photo courtesy of Jenny Webster

Olivia Webster, a very proud Lil Miss Oneida, near a beautiful view of the Swiss Alps.

Lil Miss travels abroad

Happy Holiday's to You and Your Families!!

Thank You So Much for allowing me to be Little Miss Oneida for this year, I am having so much fun!! And a special Thank You to the Oneida Veterans! I was able to attend several pow-wows and met Miss Indian World both here in Oneida and Menominee pow-wow's. I also went to Germany and Switzerland in November for 2 weeks.

We stayed on Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany and with host families in Switzerland. It was very busy, we sometimes danced 3 show's a day. We even danced in the Swiss Alps!! I can count to 10 in German now too. The other dancers were Kiowa, Cherokee, Navajo and Sac & Fox.

Thank You Oneida Tribe for letting me represent you overseas. Yaw'ko, God Bless and have a wonderful New Year! Ho-Yan!

Olivia Webster
Lil Miss Oneida

Angel Tree participants

A Very Special Thank You goes to the following in the community for participating in the Angel Tree which was held for the children Dec. 22nd at Three Sisters Library & Center:

Oneida Housing Staff

Oneida Police Department - Dan House

Civic Center - Arlouine Bain, Staff

Elderly Services - Lisa Huff, Joyce Johnson, Helen Huff, David, Alice Jordan, Jennifer Jordan.

Thanks Again,
Isabel Parker

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Annual GTC meeting has quorum

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Annual General Tribal Council Meeting on January 9 will be noted for the first annual meeting in recent memory to have a quorum and acting on all items of the agenda. Another important event that took place was that the Oneida Election Board held their caucus and election for four new board members.

The four new board members that were elected are: Kirby Metoxen, Ron Hill Jr., Carol Liggins and Susan House. Metoxen lead all vote getters with 27 votes, followed by Hill, who garnered 22 votes. Liggins and House rounded out the elected foursome with 20 and 18 votes respectfully. It was an extremely close election as a few people had collected 17 votes, but couldn't quite get enough votes to tie House.

The annual meeting passed or accepted all resolutions, updates and reports. The item that produced the most dialogue was the repeal of the current Removal Law and adopting of the new Removal Law for elected officials. The resolution needed a two-thirds majority vote of 42 people and it achieved that mark by receiving 57 votes.

Most of the dialogue centered around the idea of paying the employee during the removal process and the length a review or appeal can take. A limit of 45 days is in place in the new resolution for the appeals process and length of time an employee can be paid.

The general tribal council also adopted amended Trust Committee By-Laws nearly unanimously. The Cultural Center also got a ringing endorsement from the GTC as they passed a resolution to continue the work to complete development of the new Cultural Center. The center will be located on the Decaster property west of Hwy. 54 between Pleasant Lane and Hwy. FF in Green Bay far west side.

The Oneida Health Center also gave an update on the situation of hiring doctors and improving customer confi-

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Oneida buffalo put on their woolies



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski
The buffalo herd from the Oneida Nation Farms enjoyed crisp weather and sunshine on Wednesday, January 18 after a week of overcast skies and freezing drizzle.
Above: Buffalo group together as the temperatures dropped into the 30's with a below freezing windchill.
Right: A female buffalo stands over her calf.

Oneidas' CJO appointed WTJA President

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

The Chief Judicial Officer of the Oneida Appeals Commission can add another feather to his hat. Leland Wigg-Ninham recently accepted his new position as president of the Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association (WTJA) which went into effect this month, January 2006.

Wigg-Ninham will take over the responsibilities of David Rassch, former Chief Judge of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe, who served approximately five years as WTJA president. Judge Rassch resigned from WTJA in November 2005.

This is the first time an Oneida has served on the WTJA as an officer. Wigg-

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Red Lake chairman's son gets sentenced

By Amy Forliti
Associated Press Writer

Minneapolis (AP) - A tribal chairman's teenage son was sentenced Friday for exchanging threatening messages with the gunman in last year's shootings on the Red Lake Indian reservation, but the closed hearing frustrated victims' family members.

Louis Jourdain's father, Floyd Jourdain Jr., would not disclose the nature of the 17-year-old's sentence, but his comments suggested it wasn't severe.

"The judge's ruling will reflect what I've maintained all along ... my son is a good kid," the elder Jourdain said, adding that his son "feels extremely terrible about what happened at Red Lake."

Attorneys left the Minneapolis federal court without commenting.

Quoting anonymous sources, the Star Tribune reported on its Web site Friday evening that Louis Jourdain was sentenced to spend up to a year at a private juvenile rehabilitation and treatment facility and that the length of his confinement depends on his rehabilitation.

The teenager will be on probation until he is 21, and during that period, a federal judge will have discretion to send him to other facilities as a condition of probation, the paper reported.

A telephone message left by The Associated Press at Floyd Jourdain's home was not immediately returned Friday evening. Another message was left with Jon Hopeman, Louis Jourdain's attorney.

A judge barred victims of the shooting or their survivors from the closed juvenile proceedings, ruling that they were not victims of the crime for which Jourdain was being sentenced and that the proceedings would not answer their questions about the March 21, 2005, rampage.

Jeff Weise, 16, killed his grandfather and the man's companion, then headed to Red Lake High School, where he killed five students, a teacher and a security guard before killing himself in the worst school shooting since Columbine.

Jourdain was once accused of conspiring with Weise, and not knowing his punishment or other details frustrated victims' family members, including Francis Brun, whose 28-year-old son, Derrick, was the security guard killed.

"It's a double whammy for those of us that are victims, that have been denied the right to gather information about how our family member died and whether there was any evidence ... that may have given a rundown of Louie's involvement with Jeff Weise," Brun said.

Jourdain admitted last fall that he made threatening interstate communications, a

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Oneida advocates sorely needed



Photo courtesy of Charlene Cornelius
Charlene Cornelius (right) has been an advocate for Jill Schraufagel for the last twenty-two years.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Mike Conroy doesn't want much, he just wants a friend.

"I'm pretty good at bowling and baseball. I play pool, I play football, all the fun stuff!," he explained enthusiastically during an interview at ASPIRO, Inc. He hopes someone will contact the Citizen Advocacy Program and volunteer to do those things with him.

"I come to work every day. Generally, I pass him in the hallway and he'll say 'Have you found someone to be my advocate yet?' It just breaks my heart to say 'I'm looking, I really am,'" said manager of Citizen Advocacy Sara Bruskiewicz.

The program matches people with cognitive disabilities with volunteers to be advocates. The people with congnitive disabilities, or partners, vary in ability levels and ages from 6-years-old to 87.

"(Advocates) can be a mentor and try and encourage the people to try new things and do things they wouldn't do if they didn't have that encouragement. A spokesperson to provide and additional voice for someone in a time of need. And most important, obviously, we would just want them to be a friend to offer support in good times and bad times," said Bruskiewicz.

Advocates makes contact with their partner at least once a month, either through e-mail, a phone call or a visit.

"It isn't a huge commitment, but we do struggle with getting enough volunteers to be advocates," said Connie Greenauld who's been an advocate

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Local

White House refuses to reveal details of meetings with lobbyist Abramoff

By Nedra Pickler
Associated Press Writer

Washington (AP) The White House is refusing to reveal details of tainted lobbyist Jack Abramoff's visits with President Bush's staff.

Abramoff had "a few staff-level meetings" at the Bush White House, presidential spokesman Scott McClellan said Tuesday. But he would not say with whom Abramoff met, which interests he was representing or how he got access to the White House.

Since Abramoff pleaded guilty two weeks ago to conspiracy, mail fraud and tax evasion charges in an influence-peddling scandal, McClellan has told reporters he was checking into Abramoff's meetings. "I'm making sure that I have a thorough report back to you on that," he said in his press briefing Jan. 5. "And I'll get that to you, hopefully very soon."

McClellan said Tuesday that he checked on it at reporters' requests, but wouldn't discuss the private staff-level meetings. "We are not going to engage in a fishing expedition," he said.

Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, along with three other Democratic senators, wrote Bush a letter Tuesday asking for an accounting of Abramoff's personal contacts with Bush administration officials and acts that may have been undertaken at his request. "The American people need to be assured that the White House is not for sale," they wrote.

McClellan has said Abramoff attended three Hanukkah receptions at the White House, but corrected himself Tuesday to say there were only two - in 2001 and 2002.

McClellan said Bush does not know Abramoff personally, although it's possible the two met at the holiday receptions.

Abramoff was one of Bush's top fund-raisers, having brought in at least $100,000 for the Bush-Cheney '04 re-election campaign and earning the honorary title "pioneer." The campaign took $6,000 of the contributions - which came directly from Abramoff, his wife and one of the Indian tribes he represented - and donated it to the American Heart Association. But the campaign has not returned the rest of the money Abramoff raised.

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dence. The GTC was pleased with the action taking place to ensure the health and well being of the nation and accepted the report. Lloyd Powless, by the direction of the GTC, investigated 15 problem areas within the health center and gave reasonable solutions to the problems and actions that are currently taking place.

The meeting closed with a SEOTS update and a student intern update. Both updates were accepted with minimal or no changes.

From Page 1/ *Ninham appointed to top post*

Ninham was nominated to serve as Vice-President of the Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association (WTJA) at a quarterly meeting in October 2005. He accepted the position after receiving approval from the Oneida Appeals Commission.

Wigg-Ninham has been the Chief Judicial Officer for the Oneida Appeals Commission for the past four years. He was first elected to the Oneida Appeals Commission in 1999, and in 2000, he was installed as a full-time Judicial Officer. He is currently serving his second-term upon a successful re-election in 2003. He is an active member of the Peacemaking Committee serving with Paul Ninham, OBC Councilman and Dr. Carol Cornelius, Area Manager for Oneida Cultural Center.

The Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association was instrumental with the success of the national conference "On Common Ground" held at the Radisson in July 2005 that brought tribal, state and federal court judges together from all over the United States. The conference was funded by the State of Wisconsin and the Bureau of Justice. WTJA focuses on strengthening those relationships by providing training in Indian Child Welfare, PL-280, court protocols/agreements between state, federal and tribal courts, Guardian Ad Litem, and Advocate training. WTJA also provides training to assist tribal judges in adversarial and peacemaking environments. WTJA works closely with Wisconsin Judicare, Fox Valley Technical College, the Wisconsin State Supreme Court and the National American Indian Court Judges with various training.

The WTJA conducts four quarterly meetings per year.



Leland Wigg-Ninham, Chief Judicial Officer
Oneida Appeals Commission

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crime that can carry up to five years in prison.

A court docket released in November, some of it blacked out, said the younger Jourdain used a computer to conduct interstate communications that "could be taken by an objective observer as threatening" sometime between Jan. 1, 2003, and March 2005.

The sentencing hearing was closed despite efforts by shooting victims and the media to make it public. Prosecutors told family members of victims they were prohibited from talking about the sentence, the families said.

Some of those at the courthouse Friday directed their frustration at Floyd Jourdain, who isn't subject to any such restrictions.

"I don't understand why he can't come and tell us," said LeeAnn Thunder, whose son Steven Cobenais was shot in the face in Weise's attack. "I mean, it was closed upstairs, but he's walking out right now, so why can't he tell us?"

Cobenais, a sophomore, said he held Jourdain partly responsible for the shootings and hoped he would go to prison "because of what he did to us kids and all of our friends."

U.S. Attorney Thomas Heffelfinger plans to meet with the families of Weise's victims on Jan. 30, but he said Friday that he will not reveal the sentencing.

Heffelfinger also said that although the judge reminded Floyd Jourdain that the sentencing is a confidential matter, the court has no authority over the chairman.

Oneida Nation School System

Nutrition Awareness Poster Contest

Parent Information sheet

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Everyday I win when I eat healthy foods!

Dear Parents,

Your child is participating in a poster contest in an effort to increase the awareness of nutrition and indigenous foods in the Oneida School System during the month of January. The following are some tips to consider to encourage a healthy lifestyle.

When shopping for food for your home, purchase:

- Indigenous foods
- Whole foods
- Locally produced foods
- As much organic foods as you can afford

To encourage a healthy lifestyle:

- Eat at least one meal a day as a family
- Exercise daily with your children
- Watch less television
- Spend more time outside
- Grow a garden
- Prepare your foods in traditional ways such as drying, baking, stewing and boiling. Fry less often.

We also invite you to attend an Participation Recognition Dinner on Tuesday, February 7, 2006 at 5: 00 PM. Featured guest speaker is Melissa Luedke, from Natural Ovens Foundation, to talk about Nutrition & Behavior and school lunch programs.

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Passing On

Skenandore, Phillip B.
June 13, 1930 – January 6, 2006



Phillip B. Skenandore, 75, of Oneida, passed away early Friday morning, January 6, 2006 at home. The son of the late George and Hilda (Doxtator) Skenandore was born June 13, 1930 in Oneida. On August 9, 1952, he married the former Dorothy Charles at Oneida Methodist Church.

Phil had worked at Lindquist Machine Company and then at Oneida Housing Office prior to retirement in 1995. He was an active member of Oneida Methodist Church and had served on many committees including the Church Men's Club. He loved fishing and enjoyed dartball league.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy, four children, Rose and Earl Tipler, Oneida, Phil Jr. and Connie Skenandore, Oneida, Tina Cottrell and fiancé James Kralvik, De Pere, George and Lisa Skenandore, Oneida, eight grandchildren, Daniel Bacon, Michael Bacon, Tiffany and Kimberly, Joshua and Jeremiah Cottrell and Jenna and Bailey Skenandore, one sister, Karen Skenandore and one sister-in-law, Betty Skenandore. He was preceded in death by his parents, one daughter, Joyce, one grandson, Joseph Bacon, one great-grandson, Victor, one brother, Anthony Skenandore and two sisters and brothers-in-law, Harriet and Raphael Alicia, and Eileen and Roy Cornelius.

Grant, David J.
1973 - January 12, 2006

David J. Grant, 33, of Green Bay, died Thursday morning January 12, 2006 as a result of an auto accident. David had worked at numerous restaurants in the area as a cook.

He is survived by his children; Hunter and Stephanie, his mother and step father; Marcia (Archie) Doxtater, his father and step mother; Jeffrey (Diane) Grant, his step siblings; Scott (Janel) Doxtater, Evan (Mandy) Doxtater, Joe Doxtater and his special friend Sara, Rick Doxtater and his special friend Sandie, Julie Doxtater, Charlie Doxtater, and numerous other relatives.

Services were held on Monday January 16, 2006 at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Oneida, with Fr. Ray Ryerson and Deacon Edmund Powless officiating. Spring burial will take place at Glenwood Memorial Gardens, Marinette.

Ryan Funeral Home, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please go to www.ryanfh.com to express online condolences to the family.

In Memory of

Josh Webster

who passed away 6 years ago

~ January 21, 2000 ~

Gone, But Never to Be Forgotten

Son, it's been six long years that you were called to your heavenly home.



As you continue your journey in the Creator's land, continue to guide others down the righteous road.

Son, you are never far apart from us as all we have to do, is look inside our hearts.

You may be gone - but never to be forgotten!

Love Mom, Brian, Jerome, Jermaine, Jason and BJ.

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Oneida Reservation Comprehensive Plan

Submitted by John L. Breuninger
Area Manager-Planning

This message is being written as an INVITATION for everyone to participate in the final look at the Goals and Objectives of our Nation's Reservation Comprehensive Plan, prior to the plan being completed. These Goals and Objectives have been developed from the very valuable input our citizens have made.

Over the past three years, the Planning Department and other business units within the Tribal Organization have been collecting data from the community. There have been a series of meetings, gatherings, Coffee With the Planners, talking circles and a Seventh Generation Summit for both the high school students from the various high schools in our geographic region and the community "at large."

After collecting all of this data, it has been analyzed, categorized and reviewed by the Planning staff and the Project PROUD Teams, from which Goals and Objectives were written for each of the sixteen plan elements. These Goals and Objectives have been reviewed by the 100 plus high school students who participated in the Oneida Nation Youth Day activities at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center on November 29, 2005 (Oneida 7 Generation Youth Summit). Their thoughts and ideas have been incorporated into the data as well as the Goals and Objectives. Now is the opportunity for the adult population of the community to come forward and do the same. The Planning Department is sponsoring the following 7G Summit:

On Tuesday, January 31,2006, at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, in the Three Clans Ballroom, there will be three sessions for our community members to participate in a review of the Goals and Objectives for our Comprehensive Plan. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

Session 1: will be a morning session from 8:00 AM until 11:00 AM

Session 2: will begin at 12:00 Noon until 3:00 PM

Session 3: will begin at 4:00 PM until 7 :00 PM

These options will allow time for all of our community members to "step up to the plate" and provide your input as well as enjoy a meal while attending. Food will be provided with each session, breakfast in the morning, lunch at noon and dinner in the evening. As an added incentive, door prizes will be provided and all participants will be eligible to win. We are requesting that all participants please "sign in" so you will be eligible to win a door prize.

The format will be as follows: Each of the Sixteen Plan Elements will have a table with ten chairs. People may choose to sit at any and/or all of the tables within the session and provide their reaction, input or concerns with the Goals and Objectives. Two people will be at each table to discuss the information provided and record everyone's input. Participants may move from table to table at their leisure, providing their input as appropriate. Everyone is encouraged to listen, read and respond to what is presented.

Once the sessions are completed, the input will once again be recorded and appropriately applied to the Goals and Objectives and will be included in the final plan.

The Planning Staff will now write the plan, based upon all of the input and the Goals and Objectives. Business Units within the current Organization will be requested to assist the planning staff as "content experts" and together, we will write each chapter of the plan.

Please do not miss this opportunity to participate in our community's future. Come and be a part of our Nation's Comprehensive Plan.

If additional information is necessary, please call the Oneida Planning Department at 869-4527 or utilize the Planning Department e-mail address at: planningdept@oneidanation.org

Thank you and we look forward to working with each of you.

Geothermal energy project under consideration

Klamath Falls, Ore. (AP)- Controversy is brewing over a plan to develop a $200 million geothermal energy project at the Medicine Lake Highlands, a collapsed large shield volcano.

Since the 1980s, a series of developers have proposed drilling geothermal wells at Medicine Lake and transmitting energy over power transmission lines.

Proponents tout geothermal energy as a clean alternative to other sources of electricity, such as fossil fuels, coal and nuclear energy. And the concept has caught on: the state of California, for example, is requiring energy providers to place a higher reliance on alternative power, such as geothermal and wind, to ease dependence on fossil fuels.

The work includes pumping naturally heated water from underground sources, using the water to generate power and then pumping the water back into the ground to be reheated and reused.

Some studies show that the Medicine Lake Highlands has the largest identified geothermal resource in the lower 48 states.

But opponents, including a combination of environmental groups and Indian tribes, claim the area is sacred ground and say development would harm plants important to tribal cultures.

Indian tribes say the caldera has been used for spiritual, ceremonial and healing purposes for more than 10,000 years by the Pit River, Modoc and Shasta tribes.

The latest development proposal comes from Calpine Energy Corporation, which wants to develop the Telephone Flat geothermal plant, a 15-acre site about a mile from Medicine Lake.

The project calls for 15 geothermal wells that would produce a constant 49 megawatts of power. One megawatt is enough energy to power about 1,000 households.

Estimated cost of building the plant, a 13-mile transmission line and other work is nearly $200 million.

The plant's construction would require 200-plus workers, and the plant would operate with 20 full-time employees.

Last August, Calpine officials wanted to move ahead with the first phase of development at Telephone Flat. But the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service, which manage federal lands at Medicine Lake Highlands, imposed a temporary halt pending further reviews of the project.

Tim Burke, the BLM's Alturas field office manager, said that barring unforeseen circumstances, the review process should be completed by early March. On-site work could begin after that, although various lawsuits could cause further delays.

Calpine filed a Chapter 11 restructuring bankruptcy Dec. 20, but a spokeswoman for the company said the Klamath-area development will continue.

A message of Thanks

The family of Daisy Christjohn would like to say Thank You to all that has been there for our family during our time of need. There are so many people to thank. We appreciate all the donations of food, wood, tents and supplies that people brought to the house. We would like to say thank you for the use of the Norbert Hill Center cafeteria for the lunch., the wood that was donated from the Conservation Department and all the ladies that were able to come over and take care of things for the family at the house. We would like to say thank you to everyone that was able to donate the food and help cook for the funeral and all the people who were able to tend the fire. Everything that was done for us was greatly appreciated. We would like to thank Ryan Funeral Home, the Oneida Hymn Singers, all the Veterans and Unity Hospice. We apologize if we forgot to mention someone, as there are so many people to thank.

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Local

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for Kate Parizek for seven-and-a-half years.

The program currently serves 109 people with 34 individuals on the waiting list. Bruskiewicz hopes more people, especially men, will sign up.

"It's hard to find men to be advocates. There's so many young boys on our waiting list that don't have fathers, that their father has passed away or their fathers have just left or whatever the case may be, an they don't have any male role models in their life. That's the biggest thing that we're looking for right now," she said.

More specifically, Conroy and another Native American on the waiting list have requested Native American advocates.

"Most of these people live in a group home where they're not surrounded by anyone of their same cultures. Even if they wanted to learn more about the culture that they come from, they couldn't because a lot of times they can't go places by themselves," said Bruskiewicz.

Conroy lives in a group home with eight other men. His parents have passed and he is estranged from his siblings.

Even though he is his own guardian, he finds it difficult to go out by himself.

He had an advocate named Chris, but she quit due to health problems. Conroy listed some of the things they used to do, like go out to eat.

"Do you get to do any of those fun things now?" Bruskiewicz asked him. Conroy frowned and shook his head no.

"Since Chris retired, there's nothing to do," he said.

Bruskiewicz noted that activities with a partner don't have to be special events and the partners often can pay their own way at movies or eating out.

"We would love to see most people working them into their normal everyday things. If they're going to go to the grocery store, call them up and say 'Hey, I need to go to the grocery store, do you want to come with me?" she said.

Charlene Cornelius has been an advocate for Jill Schraufagel for 22 years. The two occasionally go out to lunch together and talk on the phone.

> *"For the people who love me, I always set them up, make them laugh and make them feel good…"*
> ~ Mike Conroy

"She knits a lot. She knits me stuff and it's not 100%, but it's appreciated for her workmanship," said Cornelius, "I'm amazed by what she can do being a person with Down Syndrome,"

Over the years, Cornelius has helped Schraufagel with her housing arrangements and encouraged her to make contact with her sister.

"She calls me up once in a while when she's felling blue or something, and I think I've gotten more out of the relationship than she has because, also, if I need somebody to talk to I can call her and talk to her. I have many friends, but still, it's like talking to one of my daughters," she said.

Greenauld also feels her involvement with program has been very rewarding.

"It's a one-on-one thing where you really see the results of what you do immediately because amazingly enough people with disabilities are grateful for any little thing, pretty much as a general rule, so you get a lot of gratification from volunteering," she said.



Mike Conroy

The Citizen Advocacy Program runs a background check on applicants and conducts a series of interviews to match an advocate to a partner.

"If we find a good match, we'll sit them down and meet together. If they don't seem to hit it off right there and then, then we move on and try and find someone they do hit it off with," said Bruskiewicz.

Meanwhile, Conroy waits for someone interested in fishing, baseball or just cooking dinner together.

"I love kids, I love sports and I love people. For the people who love me, I always set them up, make them laugh and make them feel good." he said.

For more info...

Contact Sara Bruskiewicz at 920-498-2599, or e-mail at: **sbruskiewicz@aspiroinc.org**

Citizens Advocates serves all of Brown County.

Check it out...

A recruitment night will be held at the Green Bay Gamblers game on March 21st. There is a limited amount of tickets available for people interested in becoming an advocate. Contact Sara Bruskiewicz for details.

Oneida residents complete Wisconsin Senior Statesman Program

(MADISON) - "When citizens participate in their state government, we build a stronger society," says Ken Mosentine, president of the Coalition of Wisconsin on Aging Groups (CWAG), "And learning about state government is the first step to getting involved." Just ask Florence Petri, Josephine Oudenhoven, Pearl McLester and Charlene Cornelius from Oneida, WI. They were four of the 27 people to complete the Wisconsin Senior Statesmanship Program help November 7-10, 2005.

Each year since 1980, older adults from all over the state come to take part in this unique program that educates the elderly on the legislative process at the state level of government. Its purpose is to give older people a good understanding of the role that they can play in developing public policy through advocacy. Participants learned about a number of state issues that have an impact on them and were given the tools to speak out on those issues. They also had the opportunity to meet with their legislators, sit in on legislative floor sessions and hearings, visit state agencies and the Supreme Court and hear from experts on the most current state legislative concerns. The program is sponsored and operated by the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups (CWAG) - a statewide senior advocacy organization and is co-sponsored by the Wisconsin Association of Area Agencies on Aging.

According to Mosentine,

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State

AARP Applauds Gov. Doyle's Proposal to expand Family Care Choices

Madison – AARP Wisconsin is applauding Governor Jim Doyle's proposal to bring the resources, choices and services offered by Family Care to every Wisconsin resident.

"This is truly a visionary proposal," says Gail Sumi, AARP Wisconsin's Associate State Director for State Advocacy. "Making Family Care a statewide program means that thousands of Wisconsinites will be able to choose to receive long-term care services in their own homes rather than be forced into nursing homes."

As of now, Sumi explains, Family Care exists only as a pilot program, available exclusively in just five Wisconsin counties, including Milwaukee, Fond du Lac, La Crosse, Portage and Richland. In Wisconsin's other counties, the only setting in which care is guaranteed is a nursing home. If you need long-term care services, you have to take what's available. In most cases that means moving into a nursing-home, even if limited help with such everyday needs as home health or nutrition might be enough to enable you to stay in your own home.

In Family Care counties, however, if assessments conclude that receiving long-term care services in your home is an appropriate choice for you, you may request that option- and your request will be approved.

Family Care can also show that it saves taxpayer money. A recent independent study of Family Care in Fond du Lac, La Crosse, Portage and Richland counties showed that per-capita costs were about $450 per month less than for nursing-home residents.

"AARP regularly asks members about their long-term care preferences," Sumi adds. "By overwhelming margins, they always tell us that they'd prefer to receive long-term care services in their own homes rather than in a nursing home.

"AARP Wisconsin played a key role in securing approval for the launch of Family Care as a pilot program. We know Family Care works, both for people needing long-term care services and for Wisconsin taxpayers. We commend Governor Doyle for having the will and the vision to transform the ways in which Wisconsin delivers long-term care services."

Postage increase revives 2-cent stamp

Santa Fe (AP) The latest postage increase has revived a 2004 stamp showcasing Navajo jewelry.

The stamp, featuring a silver and turquoise necklace with sand-cast squash blossoms, is the only 2-cent stamp available.

One-hundred million copies of the stamp were printed in 2004. However, the U.S. Postal Service has made two billion more copies as a result of the Jan. 8 increase in the cost of first-class stamps from 37 cents to 39 cents each, said spokesman Mark Saunders.

The increase is the first since June 2002 and follows legislation requiring the Postal Service to put $3.1 billion in an escrow account this year.

Navajo jeweler Lori Hesuse, 57, remembers the 2004 dedication ceremony of the Navajo stamp in Crownpoint, where her daughter served as postmaster.

“When the stamp first came out, I bought a bunch of them and gave them all to my friends,” she said.

A prominent Navajo design on a stamp makes a lot of American Indians proud, she said.

The squash-blossom design is based on a Spanish-Mexican trouser ornament that is a stylized version of the pomegranate blossom.

The image of the squash blossom was captured by Peter T. Furst, an anthropologist, author and photographer of American Indian and Spanish cultures.

The image was reproduced in a painting by Washington, D.C., artist Lou Nola, who has done many postal stamps.

The necklace is believed to have been made during the 1940s or 1950s and was part of a private collection, Saunders said.

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Green will restrict influence of tribes

By The Associated Press

Madison, Wis. (AP) - Gov. Jim Doyle's campaign and potential GOP opponent U.S. Rep. Mark Green said Wednesday they would return donations connected to a growing national political scandal involving Washington lobbyist Jack Abramoff and Congressman Tom DeLay.

U.S. Rep. Mark Green of Green Bay, seeking the GOP nomination in Wisconsin's gubernatorial race, announced a series of proposals Wednesday that he said are needed to restrict the influence of tribal gaming money in state politics.

Green and others have criticized Democratic Gov. Jim Doyle for the compacts he signed with Wisconsin tribes in 2003 shortly after three tribes sent $750,000 to the national Democratic Party in the waning days of the 2002 campaign. The party sent $1.2 million back to Wisconsin to help Doyle's campaign. The governor has consistently denied any connection.

Ken Walsh, a spokesman for the Forest County Potawatomi, said Green's proposals were disappointing because they seem intent on picking on Wisconsin's tribal gaming industry, despite its contributions to the state's economy.

The proposals include:

-Reopening negotiations on all gaming compacts. According to state officials, the state and each tribe would have to agree to renegotiate before that could happen.

-Prohibiting campaign contributions from any entity involved in a request to create an off-reservation casino in Wisconsin until the proposal is approved or denied. Doyle has received donations from several interests seeking off-reservation casinos.

-Requiring legislative approval of any off-reservation casino. Under current law, only the governor has that authority and the decisions are subject only to federal review, not review by the state Legislature, given Indian tribes' sovereign status under federal law.

Hand Drum Contest

WOJB 88.9 FM is sponsoring the Third Annual Hand Drum Contest on February 11, 2006. It will be held at the Lac Courte Oreilles Convention Center located 4 miles southeast of Hayward on County Road B. Registration is from 11am until 5pm, the contest begins at 1pm.

In 2003, through encouragement by community members, WOJB created the Hand Drum Contest. Hand Drums were originally used in native homes for personal singing, but over the past 50 years, the practice and its songs, were in danger of becoming lost. Here in the Northwoods, it needs to be revived and preserved for all tribes in the listening area. It also serves as a family entertainment event for the community during the long winter months. Contestants and attendees come from all over the Great Lakes Region to take part in this cultural event.

The revival of hand drum music is best accomplished utilizing a “contest” format. The element of a contest event provides audience involvement providing encouragement, a social gathering that makes it fun, and prize money to advance competition and motivate learning.

Total prize money is $6,000 with Adult 1st Place at $1500 and Youth 1st Place at $750. Our emcee is Larry “Amik” Smallwood and judges for this event are RJ Smith (Ojibwe), Joyce Becenti (Navajo), Lizzy Pyawasit (Menominee), Grammy-winning Bill Miller (Stockbridge-Munsee) and Tony Awonohopay (Menominee).

The Host Drum is the LCO Pipestone Singers; invited Drum groups are Little Otter, Midnite Express, The Boyz, Eyabay, and Battle River. The evening competition is a live broadcast and web cast that will feature the finalists and winners awarded. Admission buttons are available $7 Adults, Children 5-12 years old $5, Elders and children under five are free.

For more information, contact WOJB at **715-634-2100** or **www.wojb.org.**

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The Way They Used to Fish Long Time Ago

The Oneida way of fishing is the spring, they knew how to go about. The women even went along and they would take lunch with them such as Indian corn bread. Also they would take kettles to boil the fish heads with which the fishermen will lunch at midnight. Corn bread and fish heads was considered very good combination.

The river which is Duck Creek would look like a big city at night with all the lights and fires burning. They also make a torch light which is on one pole and one man would carry the light for his partner. Other spear the fish. At that time they didn’t use nets. When they had enough they would trade equally or give the driver a little more. And they took just what they could use.

They would cure all the fish that they would have by salting it down.

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Senior Statesmanship graduates leave the program with a good understanding of state government and the role that they can play in the process and are encouraged to utilize that knowledge back to their own communities to advocate for state and local issues.

For more information or to subscribe to the Senior Statesmanship mailing list, contact CWAG: 2850 Dairy Drive, Suite 100, Madison, WI 53718 or call 608/224-0606.

Winter Jamboree

Girl Scouts of the Fox River Area, Inc. will host a Camp Birch Trails Winter Jamboree for the public on February 11 at 1 p.m. – February 12 at noon at Camp Birch Trails in Irma, Wisconsin (near Merrill).

Families are invited to bring snow shoes, ice skates, cross country skis, and sleds for this camping overnight. Cost is $15/person and includes lodging, afternoon and evening snack, dinner, and breakfast on Sunday. A participation patch is also included for Girl Scouts in attendance. Transportation is provided from the Girl Scout Program Center in Appleton. All children must have an adult chaperone.

Girl Scouts of the Fox River Area, Inc. has been providing Girl Scouting in the area for 85 years and serves over 8,000 girl and adult members in the counties of Outagamie, Winnebago, Waupaca, Shawano, Menominee, and a part of Calumet. To register, call **800-924-1211** or **920-734-4559** or visit www.gsfra.org by January 28.

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National

Some Puyallups question per capita

Tacoma, Wash. (AP) - The Puyallup Tribe of Indians takes the direct approach with profits from its Emerald Queen Casino. Every one of the tribe's 3,450 members gets a monthly check for $2,000.

Since the program began in 2002, the Puyallups have paid out $280 million.

But as the tribal population increases, the payments have become a topic of heated debate.

Puyallup leaders say there's no problem, citing the casino's healthy profits.

But a group of concerned members says the payments have put the Puyallups on an economic treadmill they can't keep up with and can't get off.

Members of the group, who declined to be identified by name, told The News Tribune newspaper that the tribe recently restructured more than $130 million in loans so that only interest payments will be made over the next five years. The tribe then will face a balloon payment.

"The tribe is essentially operating on a paycheck-to-paycheck basis," said a member of the group, which calls itself Full Circle of the Puyallup Nation. "There is no consideration given to long-term debt. They have no idea how they're going to come up with the money to pay that balloon in five years."

David Peterson, hired by the tribe as its head accountant, would not discuss the details, but said restructuring is a normal part of business. The payments to tribal members are part of a large and complex business plan - well-thought-out and entirely above board, he said.

"Some people start scurrilous rumors and blow up situations beyond recognition," said John Bell, the tribe's top attorney. "Five banks, I think, now are involved. ... They are not going to get involved in something if they think there's a chance they won't get their money back."

Numbers provided by Full Circle indicate that, without a new source of income, the payments cannot continue at their present rate if membership continues to go up. Without restructuring the loan, projections indicate, the gap between revenues and expenditures would have grown steadily toward a $39 million deficit in 2010.

Membership in the tribe has increased by 1,000 people since the payments began. Last year, the payments took $83.5 million of the casino's net revenue of $126 million. The rest goes to finance most of the rest of the tribe's activities.

This year, tribal membership is expected to increase by another 229 people.

The birthrate accounts for part of the membership increase. Another source of new members - people with Puyallup ancestry who transferred from other tribes - was cut off a year ago by an amendment to the tribal constitution.

Many people now depend on the monthly checks, critics say.

"It would be political suicide to touch the per caps and they know it," a Full Circle member said.

Three council seats are up for reelection this year - the primary is in March and the election in June, At least three members of Full Circle are expected to run for seats,which has some dismissing their concerns as campaign rhetoric.

Finding the truth is complicated by the secretive and highly personal nature of tribal politics. Tribal members who complain angrily about the problems in private don't want their names publicly revealed, saying they fear retribution from the council. The council has the power to hand out tribal jobs and grant special grants of cash to families.

Making matters more difficult, members of the tribal council have declined to meet with Full Circle or to speak directly with the media. The News Tribune's inquiries led to a meeting not with tribal council members but with a tribal spokesman, a tribal accountant and a tribal attorney - none of them tribal members.

The Puyallups' hefty monthly payouts set them apart from other casino-rich tribes, who make minimal payouts directly to members and instead invest profits in social programs and in efforts to diversify their economies.

"The Puyallup Tribe believes that its members know best what their needs are," Peterson said. "It wishes to apply economic benefit to its members more directly."

The tribe does have plans for other money-making ventures. Most promising is tribal property on the Blair Waterway at the Port of Tacoma. But the tribe's economic subsidiary, Puyallup International Inc., is struggling now to reduce its own debt load of $2.2 million.

A major concern, even among the program's strongest supporters, is the effect of handing over so much cash directly to young adults.

For those under 18, about $1,400 per month is put into a trust account and the remainder is signed over to the child and parent or guardian. At 18, the member gets everything that has accumulated in the trust fund.

Some worry about the impact on incentive to finish school or train for jobs.

Petterson says the tribe recently required financial institutions holding the money to offer money-management classes for kids. To encourage education, the tribe also pays tuition for any member who wants to go to college.

"There are good choices and bad choices," said Bell, who has been with the Puyallups since the 1970s. "In the end, everyone must decide for themselves what those choices might be."

Indian 'kitchen' unearthed

Charlestown, Ind. (AP) - Workers building a boat ramp at southeastern Indiana's Charlestown State Park have uncovered the apparent remains of a 4,000-year-old "kitchen" ancient American Indians tribes may have used to prepare their winter food supply.

The discovery of the site in eastern Clark County prompted the state to temporarily halt work on the Ohio River boat ramp project.

Bob McCullough, who heads an archaeological survey team from Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, said the low-lying area was probably used by nomadic tribes of hunters and gatherers. He said they appear to have collected hickory nuts, used large slabs of rock to crush them and then made fires to boil them and extract fatty oils.

Tribes often stored such high-energy nut oils for use during the lean winter months, McCullough said.

The IPFW team has made two trips to the site and plans a third study of the area. The archaeological work is required under federal and state historic preservation laws.

No human remains or bones have been found at the site.

McCullough said he was surprised by how well-preserved the cooking area site was, but he said it was protected over the centuries by layers of silt deposited by floodwaters.

Michael Strezewski, the lead archaeologist from IPFW on the first two visits to the park last fall, estimated the site dates from about 2000 B.C. He said it contains large amounts of Laurel chert, a stone from which stone tools can be created.

Other artifacts included stone slabs used for grinding and cracking nuts, the remains of fire pits .

Oneida Land Claim hearing packs high school auditorium

Verona, N.Y. (AP) - More than 1,000 residents and casino employees packed a high school auditorium Tuesday for a public hearing on the Oneida Indian Nation's application to put nearly 18,000 acres into federal trust.

The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs was in town to collect comments on what environmental impacts should be considered when deciding whether to put the land into trust, a status that essentially exempts it from local and state laws and taxes.

Oneida Indian Nation Chief Executive Officer Ray Halbritter said the property, school, income and sales taxes paid by the nation's 4,500 employees dwarf any other taxes owed. He listed other business and government entities that have tax breaks, including the Carousel Center mall in Syracuse and the former Griffiss Air Force Base in Rome.

"It seems convenient to blame the nation for local problems," Halbritter said.

Local government officials, however, focused their comments on how ``jurisdictional chaos" would ensue if the trust application was approved.

"Taking land into trust is a remedy for disruption in a region where the future requires partnerships," said Oneida County Executive Joe Griffo. "Instead of dividing the land, we must unify the region."

The hearing pitted neighbor against neighbor, as some spoke for the benefits of casino jobs while others spoke about the disadvantages of unpaid property taxes.

"If some other business brought 4,500 jobs to this area, local leaders would have the red carpet rolled out for them," said Cazenovia resident and nation employee Terry Taube.

"Are we one nation with equal rights and laws guaranteed to everyone?" Oneida resident Bernie Conklin asked rhetorically. "One nation, one people, one law."

Supporters and opponents of the trust application both picketed outside Vernon-Verona-Sherrill High School, where the hearing was held. Oneida County Sheriff's deputies said they turned away hundreds of people who could not fit inside the auditorium.

The New York Oneidas, along with tribes in Wisconsin and Ontario, filed a land claim lawsuit in 1970 seeking the return of 250,000 acres in Madison and Oneida counties that state illegally acquired from the tribes in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. The claim continues in litigation. Meanwhile, the Oneidas have used profits from their casino operations to re-acquire land in the claim area.

North Alabama could get first casino

Fort Payne, Ala. (AP) - North Alabama could get its first casino under a man's plan to turn over land for development to an Indian tribe based in Oklahoma, where it already has a gambling operation.

David Hammonds, who owns 69 acres adjacent to an ancient Indian burial site in Fort Payne, said he plans to transfer the property to the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians this week.

Hammonds said the plan is to open a gambling casino "as soon as possible" in Fort Payne, a textile town located in the northeast corner of the state near Georgia and Tennessee.

Charles Locust, vice chief of the Keetoowah, said the project remains in the planning stages.

"We're still just considering where we're going to go and what other services we want to provide once we have people who might want to relocate to work at that location. It will start off small," he said.

Patty Tucker, director of the DeKalb County Tourist Association, said the organization's board responded "very favorably" to Hammond's proposal for a gaming facility and an associated Indian cultural center.

"It could lead to an increase in hotels, restaurants, shops and spur economic growth in this community the likes of which we have never experienced before, and help offset some of the job loss we've had in the local hosiery industry," she said.

Hammonds said he hoped construction could begin "just as soon as all legal issues have been resolved." Construction of a tribal center for members who move to Alabama from Oklahoma could begin as early as March.

CenturyTel offers telephone assistance for individuals living on Tribal Lands

CenturyTel is energizing its efforts to inform residents of two assistance programs that provide discounts on initial telephone installation and basic monthly telephone service to qualifying low-income consumers. Link-Up helps these consumers pay the initial costs of getting telephone service. Lifeline provides certain discounts on monthly service for qualified subscribers.

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The amount of the discounts also varies by state. Link-Up helps qualified low-income consumers to connect to the telephone network. This federal program offsets 1/2 of the initial hook-up fee, up to $30, for qualified households.

Residents of American Indian and Alaskan Native tribal lands may qualify for an additional $25 of enhanced Lifeline support monthly and up to $70 of expanded Link-Up support beyond current levels. An individual living on tribal lands may also qualify for Lifeline and Link-Up discounts if he or she participates in one of the above programs or one of the following federal programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance or Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance to Needy Families.

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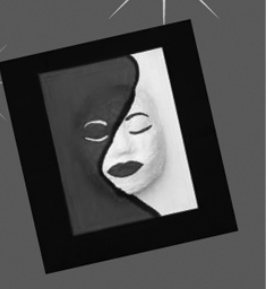
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Ron Hill will help present a special honoring of community women, brought forward by youth and members of the community. Each woman will be recognized with a token of appreciation.

CCR for Youth and Families has joined with the CAPPS Advocacy committee to host the dinner!

Dinner includes venison, wild rice and other traditional foods

For more information about the event or forms to nominate women, contact:
Justine at (920) 490-3854

Free Event
Open to Everyone

CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is a national model that mobilizes the community to share resources, ideas, and information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, and U.S. Dept. of Justice.

Legislative Review/Letters



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...

January 9th was the Annual GTC meeting, for which there was a quorum and the entire agenda was dealt with. I mention this because it has been a long time since we actually dealt with an entire agenda with just one meeting. Amendments to the Oneida Removal Law and the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee By-Laws were presented on previous agendas and approved at this meeting. The progress report on the Cultural Center was approved and authorization given to continue the development of the project. Discussion took place on many topics and while not all of it resulted in any formal action, the Business Committee will pursue certain suggestions as discretion allows.

Meetings also occurred in New York this week regarding the land into trust applications submitted by the New York Oneida Nation. The Bureau of Indian Affairs conducted "Scoping Hearings" to obtain comments from local residence on the applications. Reports from the people we sent to observe this process indicated there was overwhelming participation from the locals, with strong opinions for and against. Since we have also submitted an application for one of our parcels to go into trust, we felt it was important to observe the process taking place and the feedback being given. We don't know when hearings will be scheduled on our application but we must assume some of the same objections will have to be addressed and this affords us a better understanding of how to do so.

Here in Wisconsin we must remain vigilant on activities in Madison. This week we became aware of an initiative endorsed by Congressman Mark Green to have the Legislature take action to require the Governor to reopen negotiations on all Gaming Compacts. That is a concern, primarily from the standpoint that it gives a good indication of what the Tribes will have to look forward to if Congressman Green wins the election and becomes our next Governor. This type of legislation serves only one purpose and that is to prevent there being any comfort level with a cooperative working relationship between the State and the Tribes. Fortunately, not all of the Legislature wants to work in a hostile environment and will hopefully be able to defeat this type of initiative. If they don't, I can see us spending a lot of time in Court.

We still believe more progress can be made by sitting down and talking through our differences. It is for this reason that we participate in monthly meetings such as, HALO, to which Green Bay is now included. And, monthly meetings with the Hobart Board of Trustees are also occurring. The ultimate goal here is to work together in a manner that will benefit both communities as a whole. It is through these meetings that we arrive at agreements such as the Service Agreements. Currently being worked on with Hobart, is a Transportation Agreement that will provide a means for maintaining roads within the reservation, utilizing the Tribes ability to obtain federal funding and the Villages to obtain State funding. Working together we should be able to do better and more.

Yaw^ko
Kathy Hughes

Legislative Update



Councilman
Ed Delgado

Greetings,

The following is my 3rd Legislative Update to the Oneida Tribal membership.

Cost of Living Adjustmment (COLA)

In my last Update, I mentioned that my office was in the process of studying the possibility of bringing back fair COLA wage increases for Oneida Tribal employees. Since then, my Office has received many calls from employees who are concerned that their wages don't seem to be keeping pace with the rising prices of heat, food, gas and other commodities that are needed to sustain their families' needs.

Accordingly, my Office conducted some preliminary research. The research shows that the employees have a valid reason to be concerned about their declining purchasing power. Below is the results of my research regarding rising prices in the Midwest area from November 2004 thru November 2005:

- Energy prices increased 17.4 per cent
- Medical care prices increased 5.2 per cent
- Transportation prices increased 4.5 per cent
- Food and beverage prices increased 2.4 percent (in Wisconsin, food prices increased 4 percent).
- Housing prices increased 3.2 per cent
- Apparel prices increased 3.1 per cent
- Prices of other goods and services increased 4.1 per cent
- Postage stamp prices increased 5.2 per cent

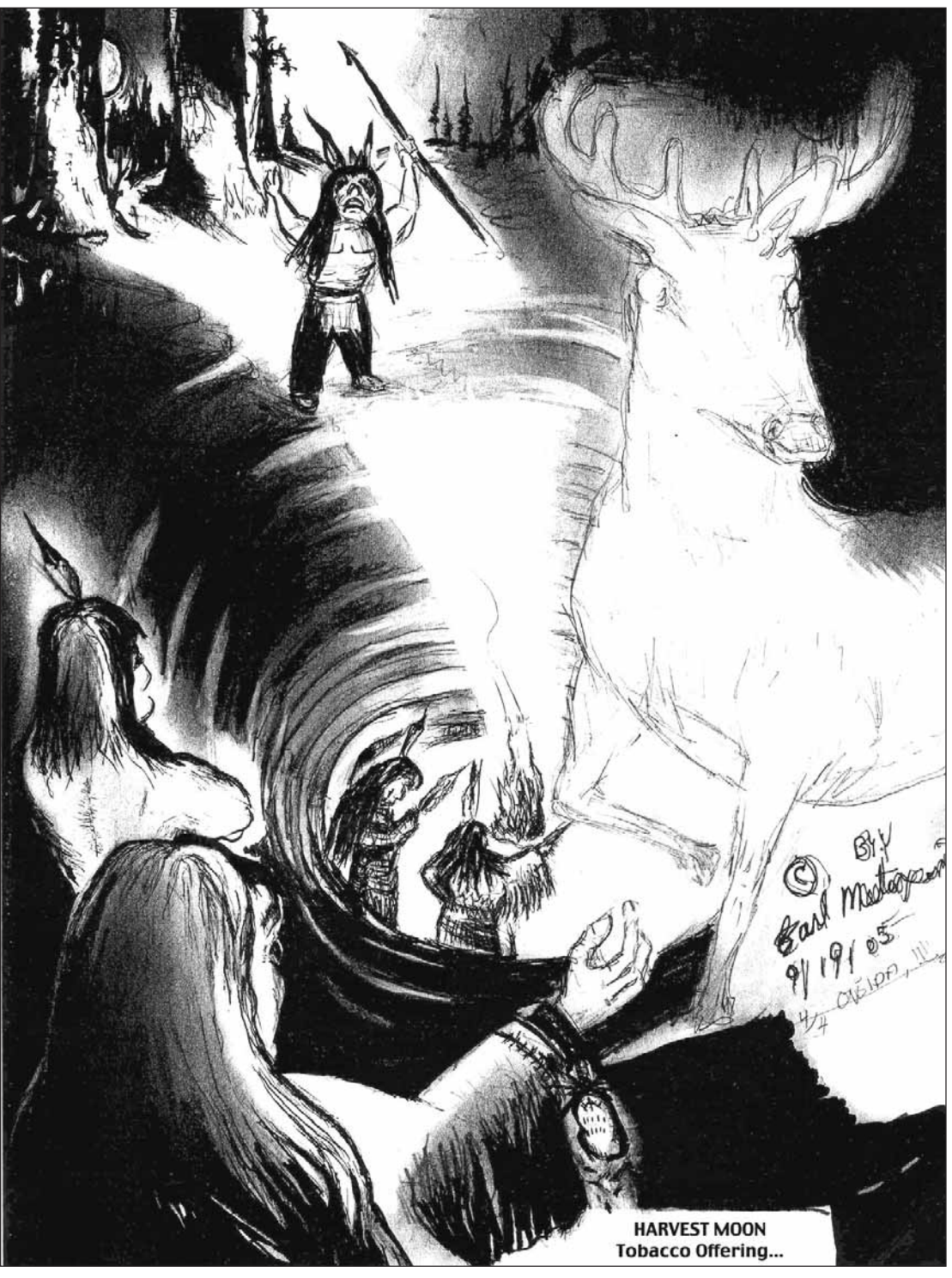
The federal government has reacted to the rising prices incurred in 2005 by providing a cost of living allowance increase in federal Social Security payments for 2006. It appears that the increase in social security payments is at about 3.6 per cent. Accordingly, on January 11, my Office submitted a request to be considered at the January 18th Oneida Business Committee meeting, to "direct the General Manager to present the Business Committee with a proposal for a fair COLA wage increase for all Oneida Tribal employees for Fiscal Year 2007.

In my next Legislative Update, I will notify the Tribal membership regarding each of the Committee's vote regarding the COLA request. In the interest of fairness, I doubt very much that the Business Committee will object to COLA increases considering that we as Committee members now receive annual 3% increases in our wages.

Administration Building

In December, the Oneida Tribe held a youth summit at the Radisson Hotel. It was attended by about 200 Oneida youth from area high schools. Part of the summit consisted of a meeting between the youth and the Oneida Business Committee. There, many of the youth expressed their belief that the Oneida Tribe needs a new high school facility. I informed them, that currently, the Oneida Tribe is considering a new administration building at a cost of about $29 million. I also told them that the new administration building would provide new and modern offices for the Oneida Business Committee. In addition, I proposed a question for them to consider. I asked them, "What's more important, new offices for the Business Committee or a new high school?" I got my answer. It was the answer I was hoping for. In that answer, I feel real good about our Oneida youth and the very real common sense they are able to demonstrate. And yes, we do have the Norbert Hill Center for the Oneida Business Committee to do our work and hold our meetings, but do we have an adequate and safe high school for our children?

Letters, Opinions...



Chamber Board Embraces Diversity

The following compelling letter was sent to Tim Weyenberg, board chair for the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce by Tim Nixon, Diversity Council Co-Chair, Godfrey & Kahn. The letter is printed in its entirety.

A little over 40 years ago, the world was different. It was only several years earlier when Life magazine could write about Joe Dimaggio, without criticism, that, "He didn't smell of garlic or talk with an accent --- a true American!" In that climate, the Green Bay Packers took the astounding step of hiring an Italian American as a head football coach. Many thought he would fail. Whether Vince Lombardi failed need not be addressed.

Lombardi, victim of irrational and hateful discrimination himself, would not permit it on his football team. That was how a championship dynasty was created. Bold actions like picking up an undrafted black quarterback from the University of mine, which have been in Southern California and moving him to free safety created an all pro. In 1961, Lombardi had the Packers stay at Fort Benning, Georgia, instead of hotels that refused to permit black players to room with white players. This was leadership needed in Green Bay in the early 1960's to rejuvenate a franchise that had fallen on hard times. It created a standard for excellence still recognized and immortalized in football's ultimate award—the Lombardi Trophy.

Green Bay and Brown County again stand at a point of destiny. The world we grew up in no longer exists. Foreign competition erodes our traditional economic base and challenges us to change and compete with the rest of the world. Like 40 years ago, we need to reach out and embrace ethnic and "minority" groups that traditionally have been less than fully welcomed. 40 years ago it created greatness.

To survive and thrive we need to include everyone here. That means families like Brown County for three and one half centuries, as well as those that arrived three and one half days ago—and everyone that arrived in between.

While most of us are trying to get our boat into the world economic race, others seem content through ignorance, or otherwise, to punch holes in the bottom—or stand quietly by while others do damage. We, however, can and must speak out strongly and forcefully for including everyone in our efforts to carry Brown County into this challenging, exciting and yes—sometimes scary—new global economy.

Lombardi when asked about race, expressed a different view. He said that the only colors he recognized were "green and gold." We, as business leaders, must recognize "green" in particular. This is one of those wonderful occasions when morality, justice, doing the right thing and, making an honest wage and profit, all happily lead to the same actions.

Accordingly, the Chamber Business Committee writes to ask the Chamber to formally take a strong and aggressive stance in favor of including residents of all colors, all backgrounds, in our economy. Let our collective and individual voices be heard to say that everyone who is willing to work to build our community is welcome here. As the organized representative of the business community, let us carry the message throughout the area that we are all on the same team and that we will succeed, or fail, together. It isn't just the right thing to do. To survive, it is imperative.

As others have more artfully stated, we need to be inspired and to become a place that is "welcoming, inclusive and constantly striving to be our best." We need to recognize that our recently arrived neighbors bring needed talents to our economy. We will be measured as a community and region by our vibrancy and diversity. As business people, we know that our recently diverse populations are our present and Diversity future markets. All great wealthy trading nations successfully integrated diverse people and places in productive and profitable relationships. So must we. Statistics bear out this indisputable point. Wisconsin will shortly be facing a labor shortage that could further damage our competitive ability.

Moreover, civilized society requires us to move past simple tolerance to embrace and "leverage" differences. We need to define diversity beyond the bare legal definition. As you know, this is part of a greater regional business effort led by New North and others. Milwaukee is already ahead of us with IDEAL. We cannot wait to implement.

Just like Green Bay welcomed the Italian American coach and the black players he brought here, it must now honor, follow, and renew that legacy by welcoming our new arriving residents. 40 years ago this boldness resulted in unprecedented success and a standard of excellence. If we have that same courage, foresight, vision and wisdom, the result will be the same—or greater.

Timothy F. Nixon, Chair
Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce Diversity Committee

Appreciation expressed...

Oneida Elderly Services would like to thank all of the Elderly Services staff, the Oneida Business Committee staff, and the following businesses & individuals for their generous contributions & assistance in making our December 16th, 2005 Elder's Christmas party a huge success:

Bear Paw Keepsakes, Ben Franklin store, Blackhawk Co., Inc., Center for Self-Sufficiency, Curren Real Estate, Don's Quality Market, Doxbees's, Fatzo's Pizza, Gitchi Gaming, Inc., Grama's Diner, Green Acres Greenhouse, Heavenly Ham, Hill Top Service Station,

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Sports

TRIAD program benefits individuals with diabetes

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Fitness specialist David Beiser set the weight machine to 60 pounds for Everett Doxtator's workout session at the Oneida Family Fitness Center (OFFC) on Monday, January 16th.

Beiser knelt next to Doxtator to watch his form as Doxtator slowly pulled the bar to his chest.

It wasn't that long ago that Doxtator couldn't move his shoulder without pain.

"When I had my bypass surgery, I ended up with a frozen shoulder. So part of that exercise and working with my left shoulder so that it has more flexibility," he said.

> *"You don't take it serious and then you realize when it's too late. The heart bypass was a good wake up."*
>
> ~ Everett Doxtator

Doxtator is taking part in the TRIAD program; Taking Responsibility In Addressing Diabetes.

"We'd like to incorporate three pillars helping somebody create a behavior change: nutrition, exercise and education." Beiser explained, "We like to help people basically take responsibility for themselves, for their own health and naturally manage their diabetic condition."

Doxtator was recommended to the program by Tim Moureau of the Oneida Community Health Center Diabetic Clinic. He started in August of 2005 and has seen positive results.

"Tim tells me I could be poster boy for the diabetic program. All my numbers have been coming out real good." said Doxtator who was first diagnosed with the condition ten years ago.

"I didn't take it serious enough," he said of his diabetes. It wasn't until he underwent bypass surgery that he realized how the disease was hurting him

"I want to see my grandchildren. I want all those things, those family things. A lot of things you don't want to lose, you don't always think about it. You don't take it serious and then you realize when it's too late. The heart bypass was a good wake up." he said.

Doxtator usually works out five days a week for an hour to an hour-and-a-half. He does a combination of cardiovascular exercises, stretching and weightlifting on his own and with the help of Beiser.



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

David Beiser, Fitness Specialist at the Oneida Family Fitness Center, 2640 West Point, Green Bay, monitors Everett Doxtator's recent workout on the elliptical machine.

"Going out (to OFFC) and reading and doing your own thing, you find that you really are not doing the exercises properly so you're not really benefitting from doing it the right way. So Dave has been very instrumental in helping me to do the stretching and exercise and stuff and do it the proper way so I can get the maximum out of it." said Doxtator.

The TRIAD program starts people off with an assessment to see where they are physically.

"Ideally, we would like to start them out at a safe level, a level that's not going to exhaust them." said Beiser, "We try and get them to so a little bit more little bit more little bit more, and as their bodies respond to the exercise, as they become more fit, then their bodies are going to be stronger to deal with the diabetes that they have."

The TRIAD program runs for 36 weeks with the first 12 weeks focusing on making lifestyle changes.

"We actually try and get their fitness level up, we try and get them very comfortable with the idea of exercise, trying to increase their self-esteem and self-respect and say, 'Hey, look at this, you can do this, we can do this in twelve weeks. That twelve weeks is probably the most rigorous time for them. It's probably the hardest part of the program. That's also when they're meeting with the trainer the most." said Beiser.

Doxtator agrees it isn't easy, but he has been supported by the people at OFFC and the Diabetic Clinic.

"It's a tough journey, you need the encouragement, you need the follow up that they give you, stuff like that, but it's been a really excellent program." he said.

Doxtator, who is a deacon for St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Oneida, has also been encouraged by the results of his efforts.

"I think you walk with more energy," he said, "From wearing albs and robes and stuff and a lot of genuflecting and moving around. I'd hate to be kneeling down and then tip over. And so you can kneel down and get up, you have the balance and the ability to do it without feeling like you need help."

Doxtator has noticed a lot of joint pain he had in the past has started to go away and he has slimmed down.

"I noticed I've moved a couple of notches of the belt buckle. That's nice to lose some of that, the goal is to keep losing it." he said.

The two-year-old program currently has 30 to 35 participants. While there is a waiting list to join, there are three classes that are open to anyone: Monday and Wednesday from 5:45pm to 6:30pm and Tuesdays from 12:10pm to 1:00pm.

Doxtator hopes more people will become active to avoid the complication of diabetes.

"It's not an overnight thing, it's a rest of your life thing, and it depends on the quality of life that you want. I want good quality. I want to outlive my retirement money." he said.

Oneida girls basketball keeps improving as season progresses

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida nation girls basketball program is getting better and better as the season goes on. With a 6-7 record for the season and winning three out of the last five the Thunderhawks are getting primed for a run on the WIAA tournament.

For the the first time in program history, the Thunderhawks are fielding a junior varsity team. Having the team has it's positives and negatives coach Cheryl Stevens said.

"This will help with getting some playing time and experience for those players who are still learning the game," Stevens said.

The downside to having the junior varsity team is that it limits the size of the varsity bench.

"We have had a few injuries and illnesses and with a small squad this really hurts a team," Stevens said.

Overall though Stevens is excited about the growth of the program and said the game experience gained by the younger players is very valuable.

Stevens also credits the girls with their commitment to giving maximum effort, even when injuries and illness has limited their numbers.

"I give them a lot of credit to still get out there and play hard,"Stevens said.

Oneida 45 Stockbridge 39

Twyla Danforth lead the charge by pouring in 27 points. The Thunderhawks made eight free throws in the final quarter to hold off the pesky Stockbridge team.

The win was especially important as Stockbridge is in the same WIAA regional as the Thunderhawks. The victory all but assures Oneida a higher seed.

Oneida improved to 6-7 on the season.

Oneida 14 8 7 16 - 45
Stockbridge 11 10 6 12 - 39
Oneida: T. Danforth 29, S. Danforth 13, Stevens 5. FT:11-14. F: 11.

Oneida 30 Gibraltar 45

A slow start and a slow finish doomed the Thunderhawks as they traveled up to Door County. The Vikings outscored Oneida 22-10 in the opening and closing quarters to get the win.

Twyla Danforth lead Oneida with 12 points while Stakwas Danforth chipped in 8.

Oneida 6 7 13 4 - 30
Gibraltar 12 9 14 10 - 45
Oneida: L. Funmaker 1, Santiago 1, S. Danforth 8, Cornelius 2, Stevens 6, T. Danforth 12. FT 8-20. F: 21.

Oneida 41 Bowler 25

After trailing 11-10 at the end of the first quarter, the Thunderhawks outscored the Panthers 31-14 the rest of the game.

Twyla Danforth scored 12 of her game high 20 points in the second half.. Lois Stevens chipped in 11 points for Oneida. Oneida's starting forward, Stakwas Danforth, did not play due to her wisdom teeth getting pulled out earlier in the day.

Oneida: 10 10 12 9 - 41
Bowler 11 2 6 6 - 25
Oneida: McLester 2, Santiago 6, Cornelius 2, Stevens 11, T. Danforth 20. 3-PT:Stevens 2, Danforth. FT: 6-9. F: 8.

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Thunderhawk boys lose again

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation boys basketball team is giving up 72 points per game this season on defense. Against Goodman, the Thunderhawks were right around their average and lost 58-75 to the Falcons in Goodman.

"You can't give up 72 points in a high school game and expect to win," said head coach Scott Murray. "Right now our trouble is on the defensive end."

Oneida was outscored 40-22 in the first and third quarters. That deficit proved to be the difference.

Truman Powless lead Oneida with 18 points and Darrell Skenandore came off the bench to chip in 16.

Oneida 12 15 10 21 - 58
Goodman 21 15 19 20 - 75
Oneida:Powless 18, Cantu 3, Hernandez 4, Skenandore 16, Hill 2, A. Gutierrez 9, Lynk 4, J. Christjohn 4. 3-PT: Powless 2, Cantu, Gutierrez. FT: 8-12. F: 24. Fouled out: Hernandez, Hill, J. Christjohn.

Oneida 54 NEW Luth. 89

The Blazers blew the game open in the second quarter by outscoring the Thunderhawks 30-17. The Blazers used a trapping defense that caused numerous Oneida turnovers.

Nick Cantu and Gavin Hill paced Oneida with 11 points each. Freddie Herandez added 8 points for the Thunderhawks.

Oneida: 9 17 14 14 - 54
NEW: 14 30 28 17 - 89
Oneida: Powless 7, Cantu 11, Hernandez 8, Clary 1, Gutierrez 2, Hill 11, Skenandore 7, J. Christjohn 4, Lynk 2. 3-PT: Cantu, Hernandez. FT: 14-24. F: 28. Fouled Out: Powless, Lynk.

Oneida 44 Sevastopol 78

The Thunderhawks were dominated on the glass as the Pioneers got offensive rebound after offensive rebound to take control of the game.

Truman Powless lead Oneida with 10 points.

Oneida: 15 6 17 6 - 44
Sevastopol 22 20 15 21 - 78
Oneida: Powless 10, Cantu 5, Gutierrez 2, Hernandez 6, Hill 7, Skenandore 8, Lynk 6. 3-PT: Powless, Cantu, Hernandez. FT: 7-11. F: 21. Fouled Out: Hill, Lynk, Gutierrez

Oneida Casino becomes fifth Ticket Star outlet

(Green Bay, WI) – Local concert and entertainment venue Oneida Casino and sports and event facilitator PMI, have teamed up to expand and enhance Ticket Star outlets in Northeast Wisconsin.

The result of this joint business venture became accessible to the public at 9am on Monday, January 9, 2006, as the Oneida Main Casino Concierge began service as an Oneida Casino Ticket Star outlet.

In addition to Oneida's Main Casino Concierge, other Oneida Casino Ticket Star outlet locations are as follows: Resch Center Box Office, 1901 S. Oneida Street; Cub Foods Appleton, 1200 W. Northland Ave.; Curry's Foods Marinette, 1507 Cleveland Ave.; and Dr. Freuds Manitowoc, 921 South 8th Street. Tickets may also be purchased online 24 hours a day at www.ticketstaronline.com, or by calling 800-895-0071 to charge by phone.

Customers looking to attend concerts, sporting events, theatrical productions and other area showcase events may do so by being able to purchase tickets to a multitude of entertainment options with the Ticket Star integrated system.

Oneida Casino regularly hosts popular concerts with international artists both during the summer months at its outdoor concert venue, Pavilion Nights; and throughout the year inside the Radisson Three Clans Conference Center / Oneida Main Casino Complex. PMI manages sporting and entertainment events at the Resch Center, Brown County Veterans Memorial Complex, Leach Ampitheater and the Meyer Theatre.

The new casino outlet will run the same as other outlets with one exception. Casino shows, including the popular Pavilion Nights series, will not be charged a surcharge like at other Ticket Star outlets.

The biggest seller thus far at the casino outlet has been for Disney on Ice. The show is being held at the Brown County Veterans Memorial Arena and takes place February 22-26. Tickets range from $17.50 to $50.50. The first day tickets went on sale at the casino over 50 were sold.

"That was our biggest day so far," said Concierge Supervisor Melissa Shimeck.

"Business has been off and on since the first day," Shimeck added. "Not a whole lot of people realize that we are an outlet yet, so hopefully word gets out there."

Just recently four new shows were announced.

The first show is Marty Stuart on February 27. Tickets are $10 each.

B.B. King will take the stage on March 13 for his 80th Birthday Celebration Tour. Tickets are $35.

Toni Braxton will grace the stage for a March 23 show. Tickets for Braxton again will be $35. Rounding out the new shows will be Engelbert Humperdinck on April 3. Tickets will be $25.

All shows will take place in the Three Clans Ballroom inside the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center and go on sale February 1 at 10 A.M. All seats are reserved. Tickets are available at all Ticket Star locations and no sur charge will charged for tickets bought at the Oneida outlet. Tickets can also be bought online at ticketstaronline.com or by calling 1-800-895-0071. A limit of 8 tickets per person per show.

Oneida Casino World series of Poker tournament on FTP site

1/2 pg., full color ad



Kali photo/Phil Wisneski
Concierge employees Melissa Shimeck and Randy Morelock show how easy the new Ticket Star outlet at the Oneida Casino works.

Oneida Recreation

TEEN VALENTINE'S DANCE

Teens (13 and older) are invited to join us Wednesday, February 15, 2006 at the Civic Center from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. We will be having a dance contest from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Food and drinks will be provided.

Dance rules are as follows:

1. If dancing in groups, 5 or less per group please.
2. There will be a three minute time limit.
3. Early sign up for the dance contest is encourage, however, you can sign up the night of the dance until 7:00 p.m.
4. When signing up early, please include the song you will be using to make sure that the DJ has your music.
5. If DJ cannot provide your music, you can bring your own. NO FOUL LANGUAGE or sexually explicit lyrics allowed. Bring edited versions only.
6. Sexually explicit dancing will be cause for disqualification of the entire team. Disqualification of a team will be the judges decision.

First Prize	$100.00 prize
Second Prize	$ 50.00 prize
Third Prize	$ 25.00 prize

If you have any questions or would like to sign up for the dance contest, please contact Kim at 833-0010.

Thunderhawk Times

Trapped Miners Show Amazing Heroism

by Isaiah Smith
ONHS Senior

Twelve miners dead and only one survivor.

The big story last week was about the miners who got stuck down in a mine in Sago, West Virginia. There was a big thing going around about how there was wrong communication. The first word out of the mine was that just one miner was dead and twelve were alive. But they got it wrong and when people in Sago found out that only one miner survived, they got even worse news. All of that, while they were in a church hoping and praying for their family members would be ok in the mine.

When the rescuers went down to see if there were any survivors, they found a mysterious note. It was written by one of the miners, 51-year-old Martin Toler, Jr. The note said, "Tell all I'll see them on the other side, it wasn't bad. I just went to sleep I love you."

People are even saying that the older miners may have given some of their own oxygen to the youngest miner so that he would survive. We had quite a discussion in journalism class about this. Most people didn't think they would pass up their chance to live for someone else. My only thought is – yes, it may be hard for any of us to think of doing this, but it is definitely the right thing to do. We all must sacrifice for others. That's the only right thing to do.

Meet More of Our THT Staff

by THT Staff
ONHS

Jacklyn Smith is known by most people as "Jackie." She is in twelfth grade – a senior. In journalism, she's in the group that writes for the Kali. She writes articles about people and their pets, which is kind of funny because she has two cats. One, Baby Ashley, she loves. The other one, Oscar, she can't stand "Because he's always hitting" her.

Jackie isn't sure what she will do next year. She says she'll "probably sleep late."

She lives with her mom, Sue, and her step-dad, Brian Pickett. Her dad is Mike Smith and her step-mom is Christine Skenandore. There are a lot of kids in her family. Her older brother, Johnathan, graduated from ONHS.

In her spare time, Jackie likes to go to movies, go to movies or go to the mall. She also likes to talk on her cell phone.



Her motto is "I think you should feel good about life."



by THT Staff
ONHS

His name is Sapatis H. Menomin, III. His nickname is "Tis" and he seems pretty low-key. Who would have known that this guy was so out there?

Who's in his family? "A lot of people! My mom, Valleen; dad, John and younger brother, Pe-Wa-Beck. In his spare time, he likes to play video games and draw.

This 11th-grader doesn't know exactly what he plans to do after high school, but he's thinking about college.

He is currently on the Kaliwisaks group in journalism, writing articles for the paper you are reading right now. He came to Oneida in second grade, the day after Valentine's Day.

His motto to live by is "Live life to the fullest, 'cause you don't know when your number is going to be up."

by THT Staff
ONHS

His name is Scott J. Lynk and he is an ONHS senior. Scott is an only child, living in Three Sisters all his life. His parents are Fred and Brenda Lynk

Scott likes to play sports such as basketball and golf only to name a few. He also likes to analyze football with his journalism teacher.

In journalism, he is currently working in the video new group but he has also worked on the parent newsletter and put articles out for the "Kali."

After high school, Scott plans to work and be a part time student at a local college. His motto to live by is "If it ain't broke don't fix it." His advice to other students is "Stay in school."

King Kong - The Movie

A review by Dwight Hill
ONHS junior

The other weekend my girl and I went to go see a movie by Peter Jackson (the director of The Lord Of The Rings Trilogies) called King Kong. The cast was made up of Naomi Watts, Jack Black, Adrien Brody, Andy Serkis, Colin Hanks, Thomas Kretschmann and Kyle Chandler.

It was is really good movie compared to the old one. I think everyone has seen some clips of the old King Kong. He looks like a big puppet on top of fake buildings. But in this movie you can tell how far technology has come to make a movie like that look close enough to real.

This movie also had a lot of everything you could want in it action – drama, suspense, and some comedy. I mean, come on, it's got Jack Black in it, though it's kind of hard to take him seriously in this movie because usually he is so much funnier.

But all in all I thought it was worth seeing. So as your movie reviewer, I advise you to go see this movie. I'm petty sure you will like it. Everyone in the theater did.

Family Winter Fun Day

Games, Activities for all ages!
Families are encouraged to participate!
January 28, 2005
12:00pm - 5:00pm
Dinner at 5:00pm
Behind the Norbert Hill Center
(Dependant on the weather)

Sponsored by On^yoteaka Youth Council & CAPPS

Student Council Puts ONHS Students in "Lock-In"

by Lois Stevens
ONHS junior and Thunderhawk Times editor-in-chief

On January 6th, the Oneida Nation High School tried something new and fun, a lock-in. For those who don't know what a lock-in is, it is where the students stay in a building for a whole night and are not allowed to leave. And this event turned out very well.

There were many activities planned throughout the night for all the students to participate in. There was a basketball tournament, in which first place went to Anthony Gutierrez, Josh Christjohn and Lois Stevens. But there was also volleyball, video games played on the XBOX 360, cookie/cake making, movies, board games, pizza, and open gym. These events were planned to last all night and most students were up the entire night (9 p.m.-9 a.m.). Although I couldn't make it for the whole night, I fell asleep at the last couple hours.

Teachers have said that it was a great success, there was no trouble and everyone had a lot of fun. A lot of students are hoping for this to become an annual thing because it turned out so well. Some were skeptical at first because this has never been tried before, but there is a first time for everything!

[Note: Special thanks to Neset Vega and Student Council for putting this together.]

Truth, Lies, and the Drama....

by Rollie Christjohn
ONHS Senior

What's up with all the gossip in Oneida? Or in school? Or in your own home? It's not funny how people are talking about other people. I say it's not funny, because sometimes it may be serious, and sometimes, it may not be serious.

But what people don't realize is that they're hurting other people's feelings by what they're doing. And when it's going on, some people are like "so what, they're just jealous." And that's what it is. People are jealous.

In school it's like, "Oh, did you hear this person is going out with so and so?" or "Did you hear what they did this weekend?" It all starts out with the truth and then its gets to more people, and starts to get more twisted and twisted to the point were that's not even what happened.

Is it the parents who are not teaching their children to mind their own business? Or, is it just in the schools? Or, is just being Oneida? Why do some people act like that's just how it is in Oneida?

I don't like drama and a lot of other people don't either. If you like to cause drama, don't come around me. If you're not sure whether you cause drama or not, you might want to take a good look.

These are just some thoughts – if the shoe fits, wear it.



Gadgets Rated on the Cool Factor

by Eliza Pelky
ONHS Senior

In one of our Journalism classes this past week, we were to read an article on www.msn.com called "Greatest Gadgets of the Last 50 Years."

The number one thing on the list was the "Sony Walkman TPS - LZ" (which was made in 1979).

I must totally agree on the fact that number one should be a Sony Walkman. Almost everyone has owned a Walkman of some kind. Some have even owned more then one. I myself have owned a couple of cd players (for if the reason to be lost, stolen, or broken).

But why would the first Walkman be Number 1? crossed my mind. Why would they consider that gadget when you can have something more modern? Or something much less expensive?

You can buy a Walkman today for as little as $14.99 at Wal-Mart. A really good one costs $49.99. So why is the "Sony Walkman TPS -LZ" the Number 1, when , at the time it came out, it cost $200. Yeah... crazy stuff.

Then I noticed the way that the editers at PCWorld rated each gadget. They rated them on usefulness, design, degree of innovation, and influence on subsequent gadgets, as well as the ineffable quality we called the "cool factor." After all that they tailed the results.

But of course the Number 2 gadget was the Apple Ipod (2001) – something more modern but something that was also priced at $399 when it first came out. Learning this made me think of two factors: First, Number one and Number two on the list are both gadgets that have something to do with music. That shows that music has a high impact on people, something that everyone should really think about. Second, was the price of the gadgets. If you want the good stuff when it first hits the market, well, you are sure are going to be paying the price for it. It's a big part of the Cool Factor.

My Scoop

Native American Mascots

by Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS Senior

[On December 22, students from De Pere High School met with ONHS journalism students to discuss several topics – including Native American mascots used by area schools.]

With the controversy over team names degrading Native Americans, I thought I'd give my opinion.

I think those team names in no way degrade, offend, or intend to project the image of Native Americans in a negative way. To me a team name, or any name for that matter, is intended to provide an accurate representation of how you want your team or product to be viewed. Ford didn't call their Mustang a mustang because they're slow. They call it a Mustang because they believe that animal represents their vision of how that vehicle is. If they called it a "pony" that isn't exactly a proper description of that vehicle, is it?

"Warriors," "Indians" – what does that look like in your mind? Is it a name that sounds weak or un-intimidating? I think those teams are called that for a reason, for that image that Native Americans were given on the battlefield.

Everyone always says, "why not make a team called the honkies?" Well, would a "honky" represent your team well?

Everybody seems to want to complain about something for the sake of complaining. But hey, I guess maybe we would be better-represented on the cover of a bottle or something instead of our style on the battlefields.

By the way, whoever decided to call our school's sports teams the "Thunderhawks?" Have you ever wondered if the birds might get offended by us being called that? Maybe teams shouldn't be called anything anymore. Someone always seems to get upset.

Education

Public school open enrollment application period is Feb. 6-24

MADISON—Parents who wish to choose the public school district their children will attend next year have an important set of dates approaching: the Feb. 6 to 24 open enrollment application window.

"The open enrollment program is one of many options our state offers parents to be involved in decisions affecting their children's education," said State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster in announcing the annual three-week application period.

The February application period commences the ninth year in which Wisconsin law has permitted children to attend public school in a school district other than the one in which they live. Participation in the program continues to grow, with 18,210 students transferring to another school district during the 2004-2005 school year, up from just 2,464 transfers the first year of the program.

Under the full-time public school open enrollment program, parents must apply during the application period to the school district they wish their children to attend. Early and late applications are not accepted. Parents will be informed by April 7 whether their open enrollment applications have been approved or denied.

In most circumstances, transportation is the responsibility of the parent. However, some school districts may elect to provide partial transportation. Parents with questions about transportation should call both the resident and nonresident school district offices to find out if any transportation will be provided. Reimbursements of some transportation costs is available for low-income parents whose children are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches under the federal school lunch program.

Open Enrollment

	Applications	New and Continuing Transfers
1998-99	5,926	2,464
1999-00	6,691	4,858
2000-01	7,616	7,213
2001-02	9,523	9,603
2002-03	11,859	12,379
2003-04	13,770	15,413
2004-05	15,367	18,210
2005-06	16,461	Not Available

The DPI provides the following guidelines for parents who wish to apply for open enrollment:

• Open enrollment deadlines are firm. Application forms must be submitted to the nonresident school district no earlier than Feb. 6 and no later than Feb. 24. early and late applications will be returned. The forms are due in the nonresident school district no later than 4 p.m. on Feb 24; a postmark will not meet the requirement. Hand-delivery of application forms to the nonresident school district is strongly recommended.

• Parents may submit applications to no more than three nonresident school districts for each child during the open enrollment application period. Submitting more than three applications to nonresident school districts will result in all applications being invalidated.

• Forms must be filled out completely and accurately. Contact the local school district office or the DPI if assistance is needed in filling out the form. An inaccurate or incomplete form may result in denial of an application.

• Parents may request enrollment in a specific school or program in the nonresident school district; however, enrollment in the requested school or program is subject to space and other limitations and is not guaranteed.

• Most students who attended a nonresident school district under open enrollment last year are not required to reapply for the 2006-2007 school year. However, if the student will be entering middle school, junior high school, or high school in the 2006-2007 school year, parents should call the nonresident school district to find out if reapplication will be required.

• Parents may apply for their children to attend 4-year-old kindergarten under open enrollment only if the resident school district also offers a 4-year-old kindergarten program for which the child is eligible.

Application forms may be obtained from any public school district, from the Department of Public Instruction, or from the DPI's open enrollment website at http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/psctoc.html. More information is available from local school districts or from Mary Jo Cleaver, DPI, 888-245-2732 (toll-free), or maryjo.cleaver@dpi.state.wi.us

St. Norbert Job Fair

St. Norbert College will host its 4th annual Full-time Job and Internship Fair Tuesday, Feb. 28, from 3-5 p.m. in the Sensenbrenner Union.

The college is currently looking for businesses and organizations with full-time jobs and internships available that would like to participate in the fair. The cost for a table is $50.
Interested businesses should register by Tuesday, Feb. 14.
For registration information call: (920) 403-3040 or email: **careers@snc.edu**

Summer Health Career Program/2006

Submitted by: Headlands Indian Health Careers Program

Norman, Okla.-The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center is now accepting application for its 2006 Headlands Indian Health Careers Program, to be held June 4 through July 29, 2006, on the OU Norman campus.

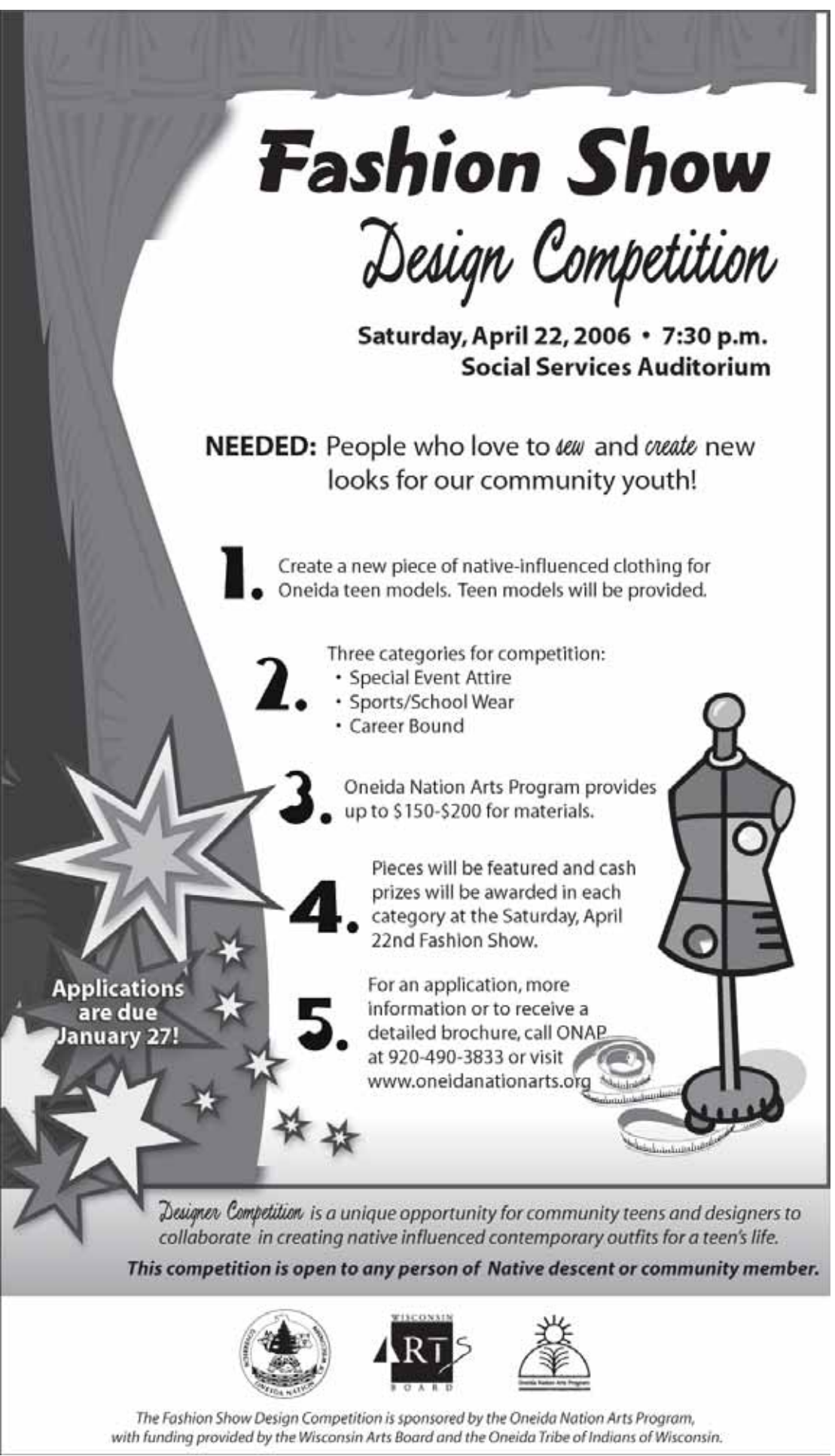
American Indian high school seniors and first-year college students that are interested in pursuing a career in the health professions are encouraged to apply for this intense eight-week enrichment program offering mini-block courses in calculus, chemistry, physics and biology. These courses are designed to increase the students' knowledge and prepare them for the required college-level math and science coursework in pre-health programs.

Students again will gain experience in the laboratory, strengthen their communication and writing skill, and attend interactive presentations at the OU Health Sciences Center colleges of Public Health, Allied Health, Medicine, Pharmacy and Nursing. Field excursions to health clinics and hospitals also are included.

Travel, lodging and meal expenses will be provided for each student accepted into the program. Applications for the Headlands program can be found at www.headlands.ouhsc.edu or call (405) 271-2250. **Application deadline is March 15, 2006**.

The Headlands program is sponsored by the Oklahoma Native American EXPORT Center with funding form the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities of the National Institutes of Health.

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Youth Leadership Forum

The WI Youth Leadership Forum is now accepting applications for the 7th Annual YLF being held July 30th to August 4th, 2006 on the UW-Whitewater campus in Whitewater, WI.

If you know a high school student with a disability who would like to have fun this summer while sharpening their leadership and self-advocacy skills and increasing their career awareness, please send an application their way!

There is no cost to the student to attend the YLF.

Applicants must be:

*Students who have demonstrated their leader ship potential by being active in their school and/or community;

*Students who have a disability (physical, learning, cognitive, emotional, sensory, etc.);

*Wisconsin Residents, and; Students who are currently high school sophomores, juniors or seniors.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 24, 2006

Direct questions to: Jenny Neugart, **neugajw@dhfs.state.wi.us** or by phone at **608-266-8778**.

Thank you to our sponsors who make the YLF possible:

Becker Law Office, Capital Times Kids Fund, DHFS - Pathways Projects, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities, Office of Disability Employment Policy, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Wisconsin ADA Partnership, Wisconsin Rehabilitation Association

GOOD MIND... "a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking" great future!

Kudos go out to the On<yote>a=ka Youth Group and Oneida Housing Authority for hosting a New Year's Teen Dance at the Site II Community Building on December 29. They had 43 youth attend. Another teen activity for the Oneida Nation High School students was a Lock-in. This was initiated by the student council leaders and the staff persons Carol Johnson and Denis Gullickson worked supported them by rallying the chaperones and aided in planning. Chaperones who volunteered their time to stay up throughout the night with the youth were teachers Becky Nutt, Lance Kelley, Dale Mueller, Carol Martin, Lynn Adrian, Toni Osteberg and principal Bob Ganka. School police liaison officer Lyle Metoxen and D.A.R.E. officer Jack Mehojah donated their time as well. Special recognition goes to community members Jermaine Delgado, Irene Danforth and moms Karen Mills and Lisa Vega for their commitment to the youth. Thanks also to a few of the OPD officers on duty who stopped in to lend support.

Have you also heard that the Civic Center is planning to host a Teen Valentine's Dance. Yes!! It will be for teens (13 and older) on Wednesday, February 15, 2006 at the Civic Center from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. It will be feature a dance contest from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Food and drinks will be provided.

Wait, there's more! On<yote>a=ka Youth Group is planning a Family Winter Fun Day for January 28. (Providing there is snow!) Activities behind Norbert Hill Center include sledding, family snow sculpting contest, snow snake, and hopefully snowshoeing! Plus, games and art projects inside NHC cafeteria and a community dinner at 5:00.

On February 25 the youth will sponsor a Men's 5 on 5 Basketball Tournament at the Sonny King Memorial Gymnasium. Proceeds will be donated by the On<yote>a=ka Youth Group to the Harriet Alicia Scholarship Fund, which her family created to honor her dedication to education and the youth. The On<yote>a=ka Youth Group meets every Tuesday at the Site II Community Building. All youth age 13 and up are invited to attend.

So, what's the big deal about all this? Our youth are being supported! These activities help to reduce under-age drinking and associated at-risk behaviors by providing an alternative, non-alcoholic activity for the youth. These activities teach leadership skills to the youth where they learn about the community they live in, how to plan and how work together as team! These activities also utilize the community as a resource to work with the youth. Studies show that a connection to the community and strong community ties can also strengthen youth and reduce risky behavior because they take ownership in the community they live in. Our youth feel valued when there are opportunities for them, especially when it involves adults who can come around them to support, encourage and mentor them! These teens are our future... It is inspiring to see the community working so diligently to support them!

CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, and information surrounding an issue.

Please join us on January 31, 5:30-7:30 for our next community dinner. Location change!!! This month the dinner will be held at the Parish Hall. Youth and community members have nominated over 50 names of women who have provided support and encouragement in some way. Also, we will have a healthy, traditional meal arranged by Gail Danforth and the Longhouse. Ron Hill will facilitate the evening and Annette Cornelius will present the benefits of natural, indigenous foods!

This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Dept. of Justice.

Health & Recreation

Oneida Recreation keeps community active

By Mandy Schneider
Oneida Recreation
Civic Center Learning Center

The month of December in the learning center at the civic was a great one. The children earned their 500 leaves, and had their ice cream party where Nick Metoxen was rewarded with a prize of his choice for earning 55 out of the 500 leaves needed to reach our goal. YEAH NICK, GOOD JOB!!!! The children are now working on their next goal of 500 good behavior badges to win a trip to the movie theater. They are off to a banner start earning 18 of the snowballs they need to build their snowman in just two days.

Not only that, the Civic Center children are working hard at completing their Leadership and Teamwork Challenges with only two weeks left to go before the big prize is handed out. Rolly Vande Hei, Bobby Mills, and Christine Afraid of Hawk are neck in neck to win the Leadership Challenge, while the teams of Rolly Vande Hei and Raymond Danforth, Diego Metoxen and Jaycob Johnson, and Jordan Bain and DuWayne Matson are in a dead heat to win the Teamwork Challenge. GOOD LUCK TO ALL WHO ARE PARTICIPATING!

Last, but certainly not least, I would like to mention the winner of the reading corner gift certificate for the month of December, and that person would be Raymond Danforth. Even with all of the excitement of the Holidays Raymond still was able to read a total of two hours, earning himself a $10 gift certificate to Wal-Mart, and 3 hours worth of play station time. GREAT JOB RAYMOND!

In conclusion, I would just like to mention that the learning center is open Monday thru Friday from 3:30pm to 8:30pm for homework help. I would also like to mention to the teens that help with job searching, resume writing, financial aid applications, scholarship writing, college application and apartment searching is available anytime after 7pm at the civic center learning center. Once again I hope to see you here.



Submitted photo

B-I-N-G-O… The elders' Christmas Bingo party was a huge success. Each elder who attended the gathering brought a non-perishable food item. The elders donated 86 items to the Oneida Food Pantry. The party was held December 21.

January *Art News…*

By Michelle McCormick
Art Specialist - Civic Center

January has arrived and with it brings the New Art Program at the Civic Center. Classes have begun and are available for different age groups. Here are just some of the activities going on for the month of January.

One Hit Wonders - (Ages 7 - 12) Monday and Wednesday Nights, 5:30pm to 6:30pm. 3-D Picture Frames, Felt Puppets, Rolled Brim Hats, Foil Collages and much more.

Multi cultural Night- (All Ages) Tuesday Nights, 5:30pm to 6:30 pm. Australian Rain Sticks, African Mask and Carribean Wind Socks.

All Things Native - (All Ages) Thursday Nights, 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Exploring jewelry making.

We are looking for local native artist who would like to share their talents for this class. If you are interested, please contact Michelle McCormick at the Civic Center.

Art Club - (Ages 12 and up) Monday - Wednesday Nights, 5:00 pm to 5:30pm. Working together to develop field trips to museums, art shows and different functions. Also we are planning to develop our own art exhibit.

E&E - (Ages 13 and up) Friday Nights, 6:30pm to 8:30 pm. This is a night set aside for teens to come watch a movie, listen to music, participate in contest, plan events, etc.

The Real Deal - (Ages 13 and up) Monday - Thursday Nights, 7:00pm - 8:30pm. Learning drawing techniques and developing skills. We are looking for teens who are interested in learning and developing their art skills. Also if there are any adults who are interested in attending please call. Next month in February is Color Theory Month. All interested in learning the basics in color and painting please come join us.

Please feel free to come by and see what's happening with the new art program. If you have artistic talent and would like to share your experiences with our youth, please contact us. We would love to hear from you. We are making future plans for an art show in the spring and also we are looking for a location to paint a mural. Any information of a location for the mural would be greatly appreciated. For any comments, questions or concerns, you can email Michelle McCormick at **macrileys@yahoo.com** or call the Civic Center at **869-1088.**

Elders in Action…

Submitted by Oneida Recreation

December was a busy and fun month for the elders and January is going to have even more exciting events to partake in. The hit of the month was the Christmas Bingo Party held on December 21st, 2005. There were games, food, presents, a ton of laughter and, of course, BINGO. One of the highlights of the day, besides all the presents, was the 86 food items that were donated to the Oneida Pantry by the elders. Bingo is held every Wednesday from 1:30-3:00 for people ages 55-up.

An event that has been brought back by popular demand in January is Elder Bowling. This free bowling league will take place every other Thursday from 1:30-3:00 starting January 12th. You can come alone or bring a partner and meet us at the Ashwaubenon bowling alley located at 2929 Allied Street in Green Bay. The League will run for 7 weeks, with the 7th week consisting of an awards party for all participants. Light weight ball and ramps will be available. You won't want to miss out on this league!

Another league that you don't want to miss out on that starts in January is our Card Club. Starting January 19th at the County H building we will play various card games including, but not limited to, Rummy and Euchre. Everyone is welcome whether you have played for years or just learning, we want you to participate. This league is free and a great time to sit back enjoy a drink, snack, and socialize with friends.

To sign up for any of the upcoming events or if you have any questions about the Golden Program, please contact Kim Diemer at 833-0010.

ATTENTION

The Oneida Nation Museum exhibit area will be **CLOSED** for the **MONTH OF JANUARY 2006** for renovations.

However, the ***Museum Gift Shop*** will continue to be open for your convenience.

The Gift Shop's hours of operation are…
9–5PM Tuesday thru Friday

Watch for information regarding our Grand Re-Opening Reception in February and have a great **HOYAN!**

Food is Medicine

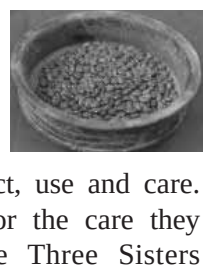


Submitted by On^yote>a=ka
Living in Balance Team

Like many Indigenous people, the Oneida's traditionally believed that food is medicine. This belief still remains today in the Oneida community. Many foods and herbs are used as medicines, for both physical and spiritual ailments. Food plays an important role in family gatherings, spiritual ceremonies and in the community.



It has been said that we have a "spirit to spirit" relationship with food. An example of this is the story of the Three Sisters: Corn, Beans and Squash. The Three Sisters story tells how the spirits of the plants communicated with people to teach respect, use and care. In return for the care they receive, the Three Sisters sustain the Oneida people.



Another example of food as a medicine is blackberries. It is said that when the Oneida people received the ceremonies from the Creator, one fatherless boy got instructions from the Creator on how to conduct them. He was told to give the people blackberries at the Mid Winter ceremony because they are used to help the people in preventing illnesses and to aid in healing. Blackberries are still given as a medicine in the Oneida Mid Winter ceremony today.





(Ron Hill, Oneida Faithkeeper)

For more information please contact Sylvia Cornelius-Waupoose at **496-5352**. OLB meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at Ridgeview Plaza, new faces welcome.

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10 to midnight.

Red Cross thanks blood donors

The Blood Drive Committee and the Red Cross would like to thank the 41 blood donors who took the time out of their busy schedules to participate in the Oneida Blood Drive on Dec. 9th. Because of your donations, 102 lives can be helped or saved!

Thank you for your dedication to donating throughout the construction project at Oneida Family Fitness. (Especially the donor who walked around the building after being dropped off in the back!)

Huge thanks go to our Blood Drive Committee and volunteers:

Ella Sauer, Neva Archiquette, Jeanne Kurowski, Barb Truttmann and Casino Maintenance staff, Michelle Mielke and the Oneida Family Fitness staff, Karen Hallada, and Dawn Krines Glatt.

Refreshments were provided by: Brenda and Pat Buckley, Subway owners. Health Promotion, Oneida Community Health Center. Red Cross

Please mark your calendars for the next Oneida Blood Drive to be held on **Friday, Feb. 10, 2006.** Due to the continuing construction at Oneida Family Fitness, watch for signs on which entrance to use, or call ahead to find out at **490-3730**. The current entrance is in the back (north) side of the fitness center with parking in the lot next to the apartments (east side of fitness center.)

- **Every two seconds, someone in this country needs blood.**
- **Only 5% of the eligible population give blood. The demand for blood is outpacing the available supply.**
- **Every day, the Red Cross must collect over 900 blood donations in our region to meet patients' needs.**
- **Every unit of blood can be separated into several components, helping save the lives of three or more patients.**
- **All blood types are needed constantly, but there is a special need for O negative, O positive and B negative blood.**

ONEIDA
Blood Drive
Friday, Feb. 10th, 2006
8 am – 2 pm
Oneida Family Fitness
2640 West Point Rd.

Call the Oneida Family Fitness Center today for an appointment at…

490-3730

American Red Cross



Oneida History & Resources

"Chronology of Events: Research on Oneidas in Wisconsin 1634-2000"

A compilation of activities involving Oneidas in Wisconsin, from their lives in New York to their migration to Wisconsin. Information involving treaties, land transactions, formation of the IRA government, Works Progress Administration, accounts about life and more.

217 pages, $20.00 plus $3.95 s/h © 2003

"Oneida People, Places, Dates and Events: A Resource Guide"

A genealogy guide about Oneida people in Wisconsin from the early 1800's through the 1940's. Entries include information from census records, diary accounts, land records, church records, boarding school information, civil war records, newspaper accounts and correspondence.

Available on compact disk (cd), $65.00 plus $4.95 s/h © 2005

Works Progress Administration 167 Notebooks Collection

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Environment

Rare big-eared bats found in Eastern Oklahoma

Tulsa, Okla. - A forestry specialist with the Cherokee Nation appraising timber in eastern Oklahoma uncovered a newfound colony of endangered Ozark big-eared bats.

Scientists believe that only about 2,000 of the bats exist, and roughly 75 percent of those are in Oklahoma.

The Oklahoma bat colony was discovered by forester Pat Gwin, who noticed the bats in a cave and thought most of them looked ordinary.

"But I saw this one bat that I was a little worried about maybe not being run-of-the-mill," he said.

A biologist, Gwin had studied the animals 20 years ago as a student assistant to a research professor at Northeastern State University.

He called in Steve Hensley, manager of the nearby Ozark Plateau National Wildlife Refuge.

Hensley, who works for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, confirmed that some of the bats were the rare Ozark big-eared variety.

The men were careful not to bother the colony.

Neither the tribe nor the federal agency will release the landowner's name or reveal the exact location of the bats.

The bats can't be bothered in the summer months, when they're raising their young, Hensley said. If humans come around, the parent bats will abandon the pups.

They can't be bothered while they're hibernating during the winter, either.

If they awaken, the bats will begin burning the energy they've stored from a summer of insect-eating. With no bugs to consume, they'll starve before warm weather returns, Hensley said.

The landowner's original plan to cut and sell his timber would be detrimental to the bats, so tribal and federal officers began searching for money to fund a conservation easement, which essentially would compensate the landowner for not cutting the trees and leaving the bats alone.

The Cherokee Nation came through with the money.

"Imagine yourself in these fiscal times saying, 'I need x-number of dollars to save some bats," Gwin said. "That's why I really say the Environmental Protection Commission of the tribe really stepped up."

ACTIVE CIP Projects – Communication Plans

Submitted by Engineering Department
(Part I of II)

The Project information will be communicated to the community and staff as follows:

a. Weekly status reports – Monday 8:30 AM at LBDC conference room (Project Manager)
b. Community Meetings – *(as noted below)* (Project Manager)
c. Quarterly reports in: (Senior Tribal Architect)
 – DRUMS
 – Gaming Gazette (will note which edition of Kalihwisaks report is published in)
 – HRD Communicator (via e-mail to supervisors)
 – Kalihwisaks
d. Ground breaking and dedication ceremonies scheduled with the events coordinator (Project Manager / Business Unit Manager)
e. Periodic articles in the Kalihwisaks based upon the specific needs of the project. (Project Manager)
f. Periodic updates at the Business Unit Informational Meetings (Senior Tribal Architect)

All CIP Projects will be developed employing a process of development consisting of four (4) distinct phases, as noted below:

Project Phases:	Phase Titles:	Phase Description:	% of Project:
CIP - 1	CIP Package assembly phase	The Project Team assemblies the specific project information into a package for approval of project.	0 to 25%
CIP - 2	Project Approval phase	The CIP Package is routed to review entities for comment and finally presented to OBC for approval.	26 to 35%
CIP - 3	Design phase	The Architect designs building and prepares documents defining the scope of work for contractors to bid on.	36 to 65%
CIP - 4	Construction phase	The project is bid and constructed.	66 to 100%

Project No.	CIP Request Date	Project Title	Project Manager	Current Project Phase	% of Project completed	Total Project Budget	Scheduled Completion
94-005	8/26/94	Oneida Cultural Center	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	42%	$22,625,000 estimated as of 2005	To be determined by capital campaign
	The facility will provide cultural and history services by establishing a centralized, holistic, research, exhibition, learning, and teaching facility with a non-institutionalized atmosphere, for the use of the Oneida Nation and will become a major tourism attraction for Northeast Wisconsin serving the local, national, and international public.						
Community Meetings:	The project has had four community meetings and will have additional when in the design phase.						
97-001	10/29/96	Oneida Nation Judicial Center	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	5%	To be determined	To be determined
	The facility will provide appropriate court rooms, law library, offices, and support spaces for the Appeals Commission to carry out their mission within the Oneida Judicial System, which protects the self governance and sovereignty of the Oneida Nation.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
98-005	FY98	Assisted Living Facility & New Anna John Nursing Home	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 2	30%	$34,618,000 Estimated	Estimated Substantial Completion: July 2008
	The facility will provide another option in the continuum of care for tribal members. Assisted Living facilities offer a homelike atmosphere with trained professionals who are available to help residents with their daily routines. Nursing homes offer 24-hour a day care for those who can no longer live independently and/or may need specialized care for severe illness or injuries. The proposed facility will also include the congregate meals program which will share kitchen and dining space with the other programs in the building.						
Community Meetings:	One Community meeting was held on Dec. 15, 2005. Additional meetings to be determined.						
21-009	FY01	Wastewater Treatment Facility	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	64%	$6,189,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: Nov. 2006
	The project will create a wastewater treatment facility in central Oneida which will allow us to determine our own sewer service area boundaries (sovereignty), assist in reducing land acquisition costs, maintain affordable sewer utility rates, and will recharge water resources of the reservation.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
23-003	FY03	Administration Building	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	47%	$29,700,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: May 2008
	The project will promote operational efficiencies through co-location of business units currently scattered around the reservation. The proposed new building will allow the co-location of all core Tribal governmental and key non-core business units at a site which is convenient to central Oneida. All Tribal government services will be readily available to Tribal members and officials at a single site.						
Community Meetings:	One meeting was held and one additional meeting is planned. Specific date has not been determined.						
23-005	2/24/03	Residential Home Sites (infrastructure only)	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	36%	$900,000	To be determined
	The project is proposed to develop home building sites on Tribal owned parcels for Tribal members to build homes on. The proposed project would be for multiple sites and be phased over a number of years. Sites will be offered to individuals on the DOLM waiting list.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
23-007	9/8/03	Family Fitness Center Elevator Addition	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	85%	$1,557,500	Estimated Substantial Completion: March 2006
	The project will provide ADA accessability to all levels of the Family Fitness Center, relocate check-in area, correct air flow and humidity problems in the pool, create a family locker room, and consolidate staff work areas. The project will address the community's request for access to all levels of the center for members with limited mobility.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned. The Fitness Center will be sending communications to their membership updating them on the project and it's impact on the availability of the facilities during construction.						
23-404	FY03	Main Casino Master Plan	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	15%	To be determined	To be determined
	The current project will define the scope and cost of expanding the overall casino/hotel site into a destination resort facility. The scope will be used in creating a CIP Package for project approval. The project will consolidate the gaming operations onto this site and maximize efficiencies.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
04-005	FY05	SSB Remodeling - Phase IV	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	70%	$1,260,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: May 2006
	The project is a continuation of the upgrading of the building to current building codes and creating operating efficiencies of building systems and spaces. Phase IV will mainly consist of upgrades to and creation of systems to improve building occupant comfort and building functionality.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
04-009	2/27/04	Packerland One Stop	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	60%	$7,796,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: Sept. 2006
	The project is proposed to include a convenience store, restaurant, and casino. The objective is to maximize profits by accommodating the needs of the emerging market of the South Packerland Drive area.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
04-018	5/19/04	West Mason Street Town Houses	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP -3	45%	$1,700,000	To be determined
	The project is proposed to develop between twelve and twenty, two and three bedroom town houses style units as suitable for eventual conversion to condominiums.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						

Section II of CIP Project will be published in the February 2nd issue of the Kalihwisaks.

Easy ways to save energy dollars at home

Submitted by Diane Jourdan
Municipal Recycling Program

The following ideas come from Wisconsin Electric (or WE-ENERGIES). The advice may be dated, but the rules are still applicable, especially during this high billing season. By following the suggestions listed below you can save energy dollars easily, at no cost, and without tools.

Saving energy dollars works – whether you own or rent. Maybe you rent your house or apartment, rather than own it. Even so, chances are you pay most, if not all of the utility costs. So, whether you own or rent, you can save lots of energy dollars! Check who pays the bills, you or your landlord, for these energy users: Heat, Hot Water, T.V. Air Conditioners, Oven, etc. Even if it is the landlord who pays, your conservation efforts will help–at least it's a strong argument against a possible rent increase! And you can save a lot of energy dollars year after year! Save 10% to 30% – or more – every year!

Keep thermostats set for energy economy. Try these temperature levels during Heating Season Days: 66º - 68º F. When you go out or go to sleep, set for 55º -60º F. If you don't have calibrated controls on your heating unit (degree marks like 70º) adjust the controls to "medium" or "low" or to another number (if they have 1, 2, 3 etc. on the dial). You can check the resulting temperature in the room with a wall thermometer (available at any hardware store).

If a room is not in use, don't heat it more than is necessary. Close the warm air supply register, turn off the electric heating unit, close the damper in a radiating heating unit, use storm windows, keeping the shades down and draperies drawn, and close the door to the room. Cautions: Do not let temperatures fall below 50º. Most of the air supply registers on heat pump systems should remain at least partially open, to avoid damage to the system.

Next issue of Kalihwisaks look for more suggestions on keeping your family warm throughout this winter season.

Oneida Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Laws Meeting

When: Tuesday, February 7, 2006
Time: 6:00p.m.-8:00p.m.
Where: Ridgeview Plaza Suite 4

This meeting is to discuss possible changes that Oneida Sportsmen may have regarding the Hunting, Fishing, Trapping Laws. If you have any questions, please contact the Oneida Conservation Department at **(920) 869-1450.**

Hunter Safety Classes

This class is required for anyone born on or after January 1, 1973

February 20 - March 15 and March 27- April 19

Both classes are held every Monday and Wednesday from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at the Ridge View Plaza, in Suite 4. Class fee of $10.00 per student, due 1st night of class. Space is limited to 30 students, sign up on a first come first serve basis. Plan ahead, the next Hunting Season will be here before you know it!!! Contact the Oneida Conservation Department @ 869-1450.

2006 Spring Turkey Season

4/8/06-5/14/06
Permits go on sale March 1st
Cost $8.00 each

Permits are available to all sportsmen who hold a valid 2005-06 Oneida Sportsman license. Last date to purchase a permit is April 5, 2006. For more information contact the Oneida Conservation department at **(920)869-1450.**

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***



Dulcinea Aloyus DeLeon

Dulcinea Aloyus DeLeon, newborn son to David and Angelina DeLeon, was born January 10, 2006, weighing 8 lbs, and measured 18 inches in length.

Paternal Grandparents are Filmeno and Delilah DeLeon. Maternal Grandparents are Bernie and Gail Quintanilla. Maternal Great-Grandmother is Aloyus O'Leary. Dulcinea has a big brother Aaron at home.

Congratulations

Leo Matson Sr. & Beverly Denny on your engagement

Happy 3rd Birthday

Mason Schmutzler
on January 22nd



Love, your mom, dad & big brother Sawyer. Grama's & Papa's, Uncles, Aunts & all your cousins Happy Birthday!

Congratulations

Nicole Huff
on being part of the National Champs at Indianapolis



Love Mom, Dad and entire family

Happy 1st Birthday

Faith Huff
on 1-28-06



Love Mom, Dad, Brothers, Sister, Aunties, Uncles, Grandmas and Cousins

Happy 1st Birthday

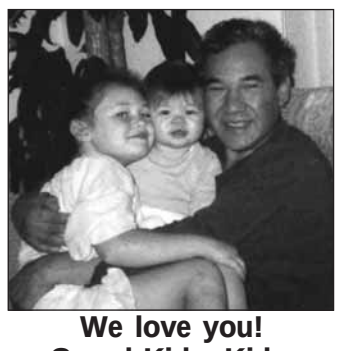
Katelyn
on 1-24-06



Love Grandma Debbie, Grandpa Dan, Grandma Linda, Uncle Nate, Auntie Nicki, Auntie Kara, Uncle Kyle and Auntie Jamie

Happy Birthday

Brian Wilson, Sr
On January 9th



We love you! Grand-Kids, Kids, Siblings and Karen

And the legacy continues...



5 Generations Strong!
Ernie Stevens III, Ernie Stevens IV, Ernie Stevens, Ernie Stevens, Jr. And Maria Hinton
We love you all!
Your family

Happy 6th Birthday

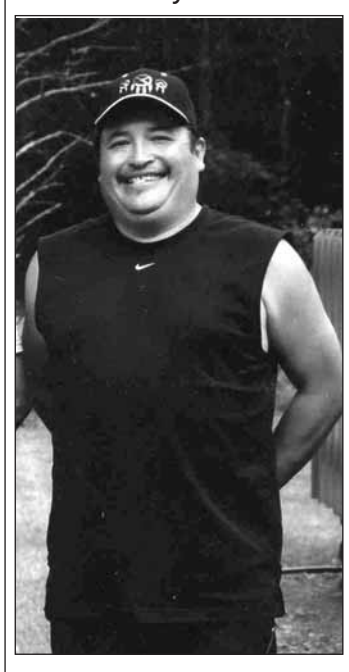
To our little man
Ethan Schuyler
on January 17th



Love Mom, Jayda, Grandmas and Grandpas, Aunts, Uncles and Cousins

Happy 4th Birthday

To my little bro...
Gordy Kaquatosh
in 'ole Wyoming...
We'll be calling you on January 19th!



We ALL Love & Miss you! All your Brothers & Sisters in Wisconsin (& great niece Carmella)

Happy 20th Birthday

Maria Elizabeth



We love you!
From your family

Happy 16th Birthday

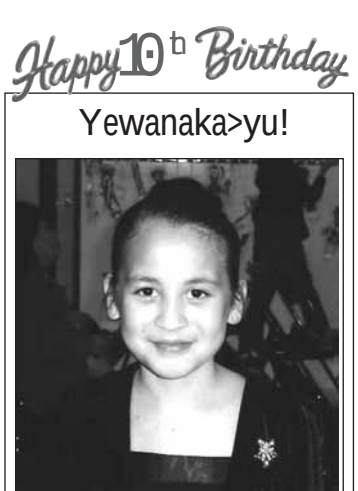
Happy Sweet 16
Amanda
January 5
Have the best 16th birthday Ever.
You're still Daddy's little girl.



Lots of love; Dad, Jen, Mom-Mom, Pop-Pop, and the rest of the family

Happy 10th Birthday

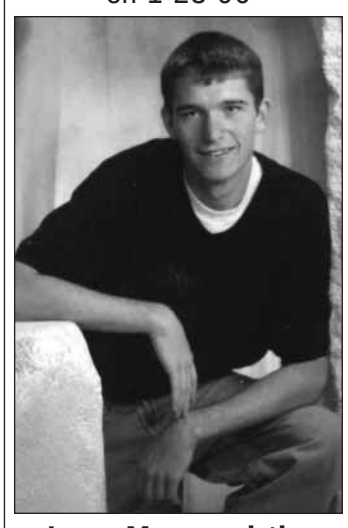
Yewanaka>yu!



Kunol&nkwah,
Lakeh, Big Mama & Sisters

Happy Birthday

Kyle
on 1-23-06



Love Mom and the Family

Happy 1st Birthday

Katelyn
on 1-24-06



Love Mom, Dad & Noah

Calendar

EVENTS

January 27

Family Care Givers Support Group
WHEN: Friday, January 27, 2006
TIME: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
PLACE: Oneida Elderly Services, 2907 S Overland Rd
Refreshments and Respite Care available for your loved ones...For more info. call Tina R. Pospychala at 1-800-867-1551

February 2

Rummage Sale
WHEN: February 2, 2006
TIME: 9:00AM – 3:00PM
PLACE: Three Sisters Library & Center, Off Hwy 54 across NWTC to Chief Hill Drive
Clothes & Household Items, Indian Tacos and Bake Goods, Dine in or carry outs available. Sponsored by Women's Support Group. Contact Isabel Parker, 498-3340 or Georgia Burr, 592-8682

February 2-6

Third Annual Indigenous Farming Conference 2006
WHEN: February 2-5, 2006
TIME: Various
PLACE: Radisson Inn, Green Bay, WI
Restoring Food Sovereignty Through Integrating Local Food Systems. Keynote presented by Winona LaDuke. Workshop tracks include: Youth Focus, Family to Community Scale Production, All Levels of Expertise. $75 registration for tribal affiliations, $175 registration for non-tribal.
Contact 920-869-2718. Hosted By: The Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, White Earth Land Recovery Project, Sponsored By Wisconsin Tribal Advisory Committee

February 10

Come and join Dupray Ministries for a night of Gospel music and expressing God's love
WHEN: Friday, February 10, 2006
TIME: 7:00pm – 10:30pm
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center Auditorium
N7210 Seminary Road, Oneida, WI
Free Admission (An offering will be taken)
For more information call… 920-869-1596

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

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NEXT DEADLINE
is...**Wednesday**
January 25th, 2006 @ 4:30 P.M.
with a **PUBLISH DATE** of...
Thursday, February 2nd, 2006
Questions, please call: **920-869-4280, 4279** or **4277**
Toll Free:
1.800.236.2214 ext. 4277, 4279, or 4280

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Oneida Seven Generations Corporation: One (1) vacancy

Qualifications: a. All board members must have at least five (5) years experience in one (1) or more of the following areas: real estate, commercial development, business management, risk management, finance, tribal government or accounting. b. The majority of the members must be voting members of the General Tribal Council, the amount of non-Oneida board members will not exceed two (2). c. The term of office will be five (5) years with the exception of the non-Oneida board member who are limited to one (1) five (5) year term. **Deadline date for receipt of applications of February 17, 2006.**

Legal Notice

Oneida Appeals Commission: Original Hearing Body: Notice of Probate.

RE: 05-TC-152, In The Matter of The Estate of Alice Cornelius, Deceased. The estate of deceased **Alice Cornelius**, who is an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation, has entered into probate before a hearing body of the Oneida Appeals Commission. A hearing shall take place on February 7, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. for all heirs and parties-in-interest to the estate, at the Commission office: located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite #1, 3759 W. Mason St, Oneida, WI 54155.

Inquiries for additional information may be directed to:
Administrator/Clerk
Oneida Appeals Commission
P.O. Box 19
Oneida, WI 54155
(920) 497-5800

Job Opportunities

Department of Corrections

Working Title: Agency Liaison 05-03087 Dane County.

Full Time (40 hrs/week)

Salary: The salary will be between $41,960 and $65,145.

Contact: Denise Kohout, HR Specialist Senior, 608-240-5575, denise.kohout@doc.state.wi.us

Deadline to Apply: 1/9/2006 Application materials must be received by 4:30 pm on Monday, January 9, 2005. Exam Information: Exam cannot be previewed. The Department of Corrections, Office of the Secretary is currently seeking an Agency Liaison. This position is responsible for representing the Secretary on various councils and workgroups and is located at 3099 E. Washington Avenue, Madison.

Job Duties: This position serves as the agency' s liaison to Wisconsin Native American Tribes, community-based organizations and advocacy organizations (including both offender and victim), other state agencies and local governments on issues related to current and future Departmental policies, procedures and programs as they relate to these organizations. The position is responsible for establishing and maintaining working relationships with the aforementioned organizations to ensure proper communication of DOC policies, programs or procedures; receiving feedback from the organization; and working with representatives of the organizations to recommend and implement initiatives or changes to current policies, programs or procedures related to offenders and/or victim services.

Job Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Knowledge of program assessment and evaluation techniques; ability to speak to diverse groups and audiences; ability to research and analyze complex information; ability to interpret laws, statutes, policies, and procedures; knowledge of the development of policies and procedures; effective written and oral communication skills; and the ability to use a variety of computer programs including Microsoft Office suite for standard functions as well as analytical and report writing functions.

How To Apply: Please send an Application for State Employment (http://oser.state.wi.us/application.asp), a resume, and a paper limited to two pages per question detailing your training and experience in: 1) policy and program development, evaluation, and modification. Include in your response the types of policy and programs and training or experience in researching and analyzing data, developing polices or procedures for a program area, developing a program, conducting cost-benefit analysis, obtaining input or feedback from appropriate staff, and making revisions to policies and/or programs; 2) researching and analyzing data. In your response, include the methods used to collect data, the type of data analyzed, and how you determined the potential impacts on the organization; and 3) communicating information through written and oral communication. Send completed applications materials to DOC/BPHR; Denise Kohout, HR Specialist, 3099 E. Washington Avenue, Madison, WI 53707-7925. You may also fax completed materials to 608-240-3343 Attn: Denise Kohout.

Job Opportunities

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Amendments to the OPEN RECORDS AND OPEN MEETINGS Law to specify the Tribal Secretary role as custodian of the OBC & GTC documents and clarify the availability of draft laws and policies.

When: February 7, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this proposal are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: To Adopt the Plumbing Code (New York Law). Pursuant to the Tribe's Land Claim Settlement Agreement with New York State this Code adopts the International Plumbing Code, 2003 edition, including Appendix Chapters, as published by the International Code Council.

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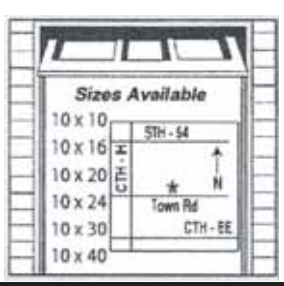
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Set up banquet room & serve food and/or beverages in a friendly, courteous, and professional manner according to the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center Green Bay's high standards and quality.

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Oneida Family Fitness

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

Three earn black belts at Family Fitness

By Adam Brown
Oneida Family Fitness

It was a tough day but a day of celebration, too. On Saturday, December 17 three local Tae Kwon Do students successfully tested for their Black Belts at Oneida Family Fitness.

Eva Domencich, Brickman House, and Drew Jacobsen have all been training in the Korean martial art for several years and their hard work and dedication were paid off as they attained the rare rank. This truly is a special occasion when you keep in mind that only about one in 10,000 people who begin training in martial arts continue far enough to reach the Black Belt level.

Along with their practice of Tae Kwon Do, each student is also cross-trained in Eskrima, the Phillipino stick and knife martial art, as well as Jujitsu, the Japanese art of falling, rolling, and ground grappling. Among the skills the students demonstrated were many kicking and punching combinations, self defense and sparring skills, as well as knowledge of martial arts history and Korean culture. Also included in the testing process was their chance to break multiple boards, a demonstration of focus and power.

Martial arts coordinator, Kevin Schoenebeck, said, "at this level it's not just about kicking and punching. The Black Belts also learn respect, honor, self discipline, and citizenship skills." Schoenebeck went on to say that at the Black Belt level, students may be eligible to begin teaching the basics to beginning pupils during regular classes.

This is an important event. Eva, Brickman, and Drew have worked extremely hard and deserve congratulations.

For more information on martial arts training, call Oneida Family Fitness at 490-3730.



Photo courtesy of Adam Brown

Adam Brown (left) and Kevin Schoenebeck (far right) pose with three new Black Belts, Drew Jacobsen, Eva Domencich, and Brickman House.

What is "Functional Training"?

By David Beiser
Fitness Specialist

Do you lack strength for specific tasks? Do you, occasionally, struggle with balance and stability?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, functional training is for YOU!

"Functional Training" is intended to increase the functional ability of one's physical body to meet the demands placed upon it. However, if that was the extent of the definition then there are a lot of inefficient training methods out there that could fall under this term. So what more must go into this definition of "functional training"?

Most importantly, there is the question of **safety**. For example, a person can "train" their body to lift 200lb, but there are many poor methods to train the body to do this. Unfortunately, these methods can also increase the risk that an injury will occur while lifting that amount of weight. True functional training first begins with an assessment of any imbalances that may predispose a person for injury or limit a person's movement ability.

Safety also includes how one moves. Oftentimes one must "re-train" the body to move correctly. As people grow and mature they often pick up bad habits of how they move their bodies. In our example, if the person is training to lift 200lb using poor "form," then this again increases their risk for injury. Therefore, correct "form" must first be learned and practiced properly until the exercise can be done correctly each and every time.

In addition, functional training must include exercises that will **increase the body's ability to balance, stabilize, and move the selected resistance safely**. The selected exercises must be applicable to **"real life"** situations. In this regard, some exercises just don't do the body much good. For example, sitting on a machine pushing or pulling doesn't force the nervous system, joints, and muscles to balance and stabilize the weight. Some "non-functional" exercises like these can actually increase the risk for imbalance and injury.

In summary, functional training is not only intended to increase the functional ability of one's physical body, but also to do this safely and efficiently while being applicable to life outside the fitness center. A person must make sure they choose exercises that train their body to do what they need it to do safely.

Properly done, functional training will accomplish the following:

- **Correct any existing imbalances or previous injuries of the body.**
- **Develop or reinforce correct movement patterns (develop good "form").**
- **Increase the stability and balance of the body.**
- **Increase strength applicable in many different situations, positions, and environments.**

Interested in finding out more? Come to Oneida Family Fitness for a demonstration/presentation:

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For more information, contact Fitness Specialists, David Beiser, Tina Jacobsen, or Stefanie Richter at (920) 490-3730.

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The **O**neida **F**amily **F**itness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at: 2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI Phone: (920) 490-3730. Look for *o.f.f. highlights* once a month in the Kali.

Active for Life Update

By Lori Bembnister
Team Captain Coordinator

We had approximately 500 employees on 35 different teams participate in the fourth Oneida Active for Life program. During this program, participants received a pedometer so they could track the number of steps they took daily. This was an 8 week worksite wellness program where participants "virtual hiked" to different areas throughout the United States, depending on their total steps throughout the program. Our final destination and grand prize was a trip for two to The National Museum of the American Indian in Washington D.C. All participants who met their weekly goal and completed the 8 week program were entered into the raffle drawing for the grand prize. First place winning departments included Oneida Utilities, OCHC Billing/Medical Records, and Table Games.

After tallying event surveys it was learned that the top three reasons for participating in the program were increased energy, feeling better overall, and improving their body image. Participants felt encouraged to participate, felt good about themselves, felt positive support, and would participate again. The top two reasons that kept people participating in the program: were self-motivated and encouragement from their co-workers. Many also stated that they saw an improvement in morale in their work place.

Congratulations to all of the winning teams and Thank you to all the participants.

We are currently looking for Team Captains for all departments for the next Active for Life program which begins in February. If interested please contact Lori Bembnister at 490-3730.

Saturday classes in February

Oneida Family Fitness is open on Saturdays, too! Just because it's the weekend doesn't mean you can't work out. We open bright and early at 7am and we close at 2pm.

Plus, every Saturday morning at 9am we offer a different, one hour free group exercise class to keep you moving and motivated. Check out the schedule for February below. It's the perfect opportunity to give some classes a try.

February 4–*Circuit Training with Eric*
February 11–*Core Class with David*
February 18–*"Heart Healthy" day, special event in the gymnasium*
February 25–*Body Bar/Abs with Ryan*

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Teresa Roth…

Aquatic Trainer/Head Lifeguard at the Oneida Family Fitness Center

Teresa started working at the Oneida Family Fitness Center in February 2002 as a Lifeguard and Water Safety Instructor for the Fitness Center pool. She came to the Fitness Center with 25 years of experience in teaching Water Safety.

Her interests are in music and the water. Teresa was born and raised in Portage, WI. and learned to play the piano at a very young age. While in grade school, Teresa started to accompany choirs on the piano. Shortly thereafter she began to accompany for solo & ensemble competitions. Throughout her adult life, Teresa has accompanied on the piano and organ for many different churches and programs around the nation.

Music is not Teresa's only love, however. She grew up around the water and enjoys swimming, snorkeling, and canoeing. She took up SCUBA diving at the age of 15 yrs. and has since received her PADI Master Diver and Divemaster certification. Her favorite type of diving is Great Lakes wreck diving.

In High School, Teresa participated on the synchronized swim team and has coached both swim/springboard dive teams and has judged springboard diving competitions. After High School she spent five years enlisted in the US Navy as a hospital corpsman. Teresa spent time stationed at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, MD and also on the island of Guam. Teresa received training in working neurosurgery, general surgery, pediatrics, labor & delivery, ICU nursery, and emergency room. She met her husband while on Guam, got married, and had her first child on the island. She moved back to Wisconsin with her family in 1993 and purchased a small farm house to raise their children. After her children graduated from High School and took off to college, she decided to go back to school and has since received her degree in biology from St. Norbert College. She is now working on a Nursing Degree with a desire to be trained in hyperbaric medicine.

Teresa love's the Wisconsin Outdoors and loves to teach people how to be safe and have fun around the water.

Fitness Members *for the month of* January…



Berry Skenandore

Berry has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for eight years. He is currently exercising on a regular basis because his dietician recommended that he do so. This is because he was recently diagnosed as being pre-diabetic. He is hoping to lose enough weight to keep from becoming diabetic. However, one obstacle in his way is his diet. To help change his eating habits, his refrigerator at home now has a lock on it to keep him from eating in the middle of the night. He also tries to eat healthier at work and stay away from the vending machines.

Since exercising regularly for the past several months, Berry has lost several inches, and has lost about twenty pounds. He has also improved on his overall cardiovascular health. He has been exercising with a personal trainer about three times per week, and usually exercises on his own once or twice per week as well.

Berry enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because of the friendly staff and the other people that exercise there. Besides exercising, Berry works from 9am-3pm, Monday through Friday, and he enjoys following the Green Bay Packers.

Finally, Berry's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Go workout!".

Linda Gerlikowski

Linda has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for almost ten years. She is currently exercising on a regular basis to lose weight before her son's upcoming wedding. She wants her son to be proud of her, and she wants to be proud of herself. The hardest part for Linda to exercise regularly is squeezing her workouts into her busy schedule. She gets up at 5:30am just so she can exercise and be done in time for work at 8am. Besides preparing for her son's wedding, Linda is motivated to exercise to remain healthy as she grows older. This will help her to enjoy her family's accomplishments in the years to come.

So far, Linda has lost some weight and toned up her body. She has accomplished this by performing cardiovascular exercise for 30-45 minutes, four to five days a week, and lifting weights three times a week.

Linda enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because it is in the same building she works in. She also enjoys the selection of equipment that is available to use. Besides exercising, Linda enjoys going for walks, boating, going to her family's cottage, and spending time with her family.

Linda's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is, "Have a goal and work at it slowly, and keep increasing it until you're where you want to be!".

Congratulations to Berry and Linda for their hard work and dedication!

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Elderly gift shop offers more than gifts

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The gift shop within the Elderly Services Complex is not like any other gift shop in the area. Sure, it has numerous gifts ranging from cards to quilts to bracelets, but what it also has is a unique sense of belonging when you walk in.

It compares to walking in a barbershop where everyone knows your name. Even though you are there to get a haircut or a gift in this instance, it is easy to forget about the time. After spending an hour chatting with other customers, employees or volunteers you leave with a very unique gift and experience. The store, if anything is more of a gathering place and social outlet for the elders and young people to interact with each other, share thoughts and ideas about current events.

The items in the store all come from the elderly within the community. Most are hand made arts and crafts. The artists set the price of all items and all funds raised from the sales are returned directly to the artist. The only sales that the gift shop keeps are from the fresh popcorn, soda and bottled water.

"We are not here to make money," gift shop employee Barbara Skenandore said. "We are here for the elders and everything we do here is for them."

The store has been in existence for nearly three years. The original idea for the space was to have a small grocery store where residents of the complex could go and pick up small grocery items.

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Laneva "KO" Hill looks at a bracelet with Claudia Skenandore and Barbara Skenandore at the shop.

Women of the Community honored





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The CAPPS program held the "Women of the Community" event to honor local ladies Tuesday, January 31st. 70 women were nominated and 300 people attended the free dinner held at the Norbert Hill Center cafeteria which featured traditional Oneida foods. The dinner was held to reinvigorate the matriarchal spirit of Oneida.

Top: The Oneida Longhouse Singers performed a Women's Dance song for the nominees and all the ladies in attendance.

Left: Women who were nominated for honors received gifts from CAPPS and hugs from each other. Beverly Skenandore of the Oneida Nation Elementary School hugs retired co-worker Maria Hinton.

7G Summit gathers community input

By Phil Wisneski
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The 7G Summit held at the Radisson on January 31 was an extension of the Youth 7G Summit held in November, 2005. Both summits asked for input from the Oneida community on what they expect from the different services provided to them by the Oneida Nation. Those expectations will then be placed into the Comprehensive Plan for the Oneida Nation.

The Summit was attended by 130 Oneida community members. Those members looked at three years of work by the planning team and other business units to critique or add other needs of the Nation.

Planning Director John Breuninger, was disappointed with the attendance of the

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Oneida Police Dept. has pension plan



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Patrol Officer Dan House runs through the obstacle course at Sanger B. Powers in Oneida.

By Dawn Walschinski
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Oneida Police Department (OPD) patrol officer Dan House jumped out of his police cruiser, climbed over two ladders, dragged a 100 pound dummy 25 feet, and then raced into another cruiser to drive to the gun range for target practice at the training grounds at Sanger B. Powers Correctional Facility Monday afternoon, January 23rd.

It was a predictable set of obstacles to mimic the unpredictable ones an officer might face in a real life situation.

"You can get injured at any time of the day on any shift. The more calls and the more disturbances you get involved in, you kind of get nickeled and dimed a little bit," said Sergeant Marty Antone of the physical toll police officers face over time.

The OPD now has a pension plan that will help reduce the amount of time an OPD or conservation officer will have to wait for retirement.

The Public Safety Officers Pension Plan mirrors the state of Wisconsin's for those in protective services.

"We're very pleased to have this pension plan and grateful to the Business Committee and the people that have helped us do this to support our police officers as they patrol and work in our community," said Lieutenant Ron King.

The plan would enable OPD officers and conservation officers to retire younger than the average of 62 years old. The pension is based on the accumulation of years of service plus the age of the

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Gov. Pataki opposes federal trust for Oneida land in NY

By Michael Gormiley
Associated Press Writer

Alabany, N.Y. (AP) - The Pataki administration on Monday opposed an application by the Oneida Indian Nation to place nearly 17,000 acres of central New York property in a federal land trust that would essentially exempt the parcels from local and state laws and taxes.

The application, if approved by the U.S. Department of the Interior, would affect hundreds of properties in Madison and Oneida counties purchased by the tribe from profits of its casino operations that include resort hotels and golf courses.

"It is unprecedented and would have profound negative impacts to the state, its political subdivisions, residents and citizens," stated Richard Platkin, counsel to Gov. George Pataki. "I find no legal authority for the Secretary of the Interior to act on the instant application."

The New York Oneidas, along with tribes in Wisconsin and Ontario, filed a land claim lawsuit in 1970 seeking the return of 250,000 acres in Madison and Oneida counties that the state illegally acquired from the tribes in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. The claim continues in litigation. Meanwhile, the Oneidas have purchased some of the land back from non-Indian residents in the two counties.

Earlier this month, more than 1,000 residents and casino employees packed a high school auditorium in the town of Verona for a public hearing on the Oneida's application to put nearly 18,000 acres into federal trust. The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs collected comments on what environmental impacts should be considered when deciding whether to put the land into trust, free from local and state taxes and laws.

A call left after business hours at the tribe's public relations office wasn't immediately returned.

Oneida Indian Nation Chief Executive Officer Ray Halbritter said in the hearing

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meeting.

"We expected and planned for 100 people at each session for a total of 300 people," Brueninger said. Brueninger hoped to have more community input from the summit, but he will go with what the department has collected.

The summit was a culmination of a series of meetings and gatherings ranging from Coffee with the Planners, to Talking Circles to the 7G Summit. Fifteen areas were set up like in previous meetings. The areas were broken down to Agriculture, Community Design, Community Facilities, Education, Economic Development, Environmental Protection, Cultural Department, Housing, Governmental Coordination and Regulations, Health Care, Parks and Recreation, Natural Resources, Public Safety, Transportation and Utilities.

All the areas had goals and objectives that previous meetings and gatherings had expressed. The 7G summit was the communities final word on what was needed or what needs to be changed.

Community Design was a hot spot at the meeting, especially with the new Highway 172/54 expansion looking to come right through Oneida. There are several views that want the new road to completely by-pass Oneida, while other people, mainly business owners, that want and need the traffic coming through Oneida.

Another hot spot was education. Higher education eats up an enormous amount of the Oneida Nation's budget each year. The community has shown an expressed interest in regaining some of those funds by having them come back and work for Oneida for a certain amount of time.

The final area that gained much attention was economic development. Two major developments that will be occurring within the next few years will be Oneida very own water treatment facility. The facility will be in the Oneida Business Park northeast of the Little Bear Development Building. That facility will be up and running within 12 months.

Another major development plan is the renovation of the Oneida Casino. The idea is to make it more of a destination resort facility.

The Planning Department will now consolidate and analyze all the input that was received and package it into the Oneida Comprehensive Plan. The plan will be used by decision makers in deciding of certain projects are needed and wanted by the community.

The Planning Department would like to thank all employees that took the time to staff their respectful area as needed for the event.



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(L-R) Vicki Matson and Cathy Delgado look at a map with Mike Finn at the 7G Summit held at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center on February 1. Finn was showing Matson and Delgado the location of the new Oneida cemetery.

Committees take the oath of office



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Newly elected and appointed people were sworn in to five boards by Oneida Business Committee Secretary Patty Hoeft Wednesday morning, February 1st at the OBC conference room at the Norbert Hill Center. The boards and their members are: **Oneida Election Board** - Kirby Metoxen, Ronald W. Hill Jr., Susan House, Carole Liggins; **Anna John Nursing Home Commission** - Allen P. Doxtator, Sandy Dennett, Pearl McLester, Carol Silva, Joyce King; **Personnel Commission** - Mary J. Doxtator, Peril Huff, Genevieve Gollnick, Patricia Friedrich; **Oneida Cemetery Board** - Diane Wilson; **Oneida Nation Electronics**; Lori Coenen

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Do you know us?



Submitted by Barb Skenandore

This photo comes from the Marlene (Skenandore) collection. Her parents are Cynthia and Arthur Skenandore. Her grandparents on her mother's side are Ephraim and Elsie (Christjohn) Jourdan. Her grandparents on her father's side are Thomas D. and Kate (Doxtator) Skenandore. If you have any information about the identification of these two individuals, please contact the Oneida Community Library at **(920) 869-2210 o**r write to: **Oneida Community Library, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI, 54155.** Check out page 6B to find out the identity of the two men in the last "Do you know us?" photo.

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individual equaling 75.

For example, if an officer worked the minimum 20 years of service starting at age 25, he/she could retire at the minimum retirement age of 55, with a pension of 65% of the average of his/her highest three years of wages.

In addition, there is an increase of 2% per year for active military duty to his/her pension. This benefit is available for up to four years.

An officer could work up to 30 years to receive a full pension.

The lack of such a pension plan has meant high turnover at OPD as officers went looking for greener pastures.

"It also helps us keep our officers here and the money that we invest in them as far as equipment, training." said King.

From the beginning of its 20 year history, OPD had tried to join the state pension plan for safety officers, but were turned away.

"Tribes in Wisconsin, especially police departments, were not eligible to receive or enter into pension plans because we weren't recognized as a governmental agency of Wisconsin," King explained.

Eight years ago, King learned that Lac Du Flambeau had duplicated the Wisconsin pension plan. He received a copy of the plan from Lac Du Flambeau and began working on adapting it for Oneida.

In December of 2005, the Oneida Business Committee passed the resolution to create the Public Safety Officers Pension Plan.

Antone said they wanted the Oneida plan to be the "same as the state so we could be competitive with local agencies."

It's hoped that the new plan will not only help keep officers, but also recruit new ones.

"Not only is it going to benefit us, it will benefit future generations of law enforcement officers in Oneida in recruiting and will help continue that cycle." said Antone.

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that the property, school, income and sales taxes paid by the nation's 4,500 employees are far more than any other taxes owed for their land. He noted other businesses get tax breaks, often in exchange for creating jobs and improving the local economy.

The governor's counsel advised the Bush administration that the land trust process was created to help poor tribes buy land to become self-sufficient, not to consolidate a growing entertainment enterprise or avoid state and local taxes and regulations.

"These communities cannot be maintained without the ability to govern in a coherent and comprehensive fashion," Platkin wrote. "Piecemeal removal of land from state and local jurisdiction threatens the regulatory scheme as a whole because land use, environmental and other laws are effective only if they apply uniformly and equitably over an extended geographic area."

The Annual

Oneida Family Carnival

is scheduled for

June 2nd & 3rd, 2006

at the Norbert Hill Center.

Stay tuned for exciting Entertainment Announcements

ONEIDA FOOD SAFETY CLASS



According to the Oneida Food Service Code and in order to provide the safest food products to the community, people who wish to sell food at any Tribal sponsored event (PowWow, Carnival, etc.) or in Tribal buildings are required to complete a

FREE Food Safety Class

2006 SCHEDULE

CERTIFICATION		RECERTIFICATION	
April 11	5-9 p.m.	April 19	12-1 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.
May 9	5-9 p.m.	May 17	12-1 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.
June 7	5-9 p.m.	June 14	12-1 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.
June 21	5-9 p.m.	June 28	12-1 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.
Sept. 13	5-9 p.m.	Sept. 20	12-1 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.
Oct. 11	5-9 p.m.	Oct. 18	12-1 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.
Nov. 8	5-9 p.m.	Nov. 15	12-1 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.
Dec. 13	5-9 p.m.	Dec 20	12-1 p.m. & 5-6 p.m.

Location: **Ridgeview Plaza, Suite 4**

Sign Up: **Call the Environmental, Health & Safety Area at (920) 496-5336**

If there are not at least 3 people signed up and present within 15 minutes of the class start time, the class will be canceled.

Additional classes are available for groups of 6 or more.

ONEIDA *celebrates*

National Child Passenger Safety Week

February 12-18, 2006

★ THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 6TH
- Watch for VINCE & LARRY visiting tribal offices.



★ MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2006

FREE CAR SEAT CHECK
3:00pm to 6:00 pm
Oneida Police Department Garages
2783 Freedom Road
- Give-away items for all the kids
- Seatbelt buttons for anyone who attends
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- Reward given to each family that arrives with car seat correctly installed and child properly fitted.

Events are sponsored by the Oneida Safe Community Coalition and Safe Kids Greater Green Bay

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Local

Meet the Oneida housing directors



Photo Submitted by Oneida Housing Authority

Fern Birdsbill and Jason Johnson of on the Oneida Housing Authority share their vision.

Submitted by the Oneida Housing Authority

I would like to introduce myself to the community. My name is Fern Birdsbill (Orie) and I am the Executive Director for the Oneida Housing Authority. I have been in my position for slightly over a year. My vision is to expand and diversify the programs that OHA has to offer and change some of our eligibility requirements to serve the needs of our community more effectively. My background in housing was my work experience at the Oneida Division of Land Management. I was the Residential Leasing Specialist for two years handling rentals and residential leases. From that position I was hired as the new Comprehensive Housing Coordinator where I was involved with the Housing Task Force and the efforts to improve housing services within the Oneida Tribe. With my background coming from the Land Management office, I hope to forge a strong working relationship between the Oneida Housing Authority and Division of Land Management. This cooperative effort will improve the process for developing housing sites quicker and more effectively.

Under my leadership here at the Oneida Housing Authority, I will be changing some of the eligibility requirements. Once some of our policies are updated, a single person without any children would be eligible for our rental program. To qualify for our Mutual Help Homeownership Program you will only need one child, as opposed to the longstanding requirement of two. These are just a couple of examples of the expansion of services that will be available here at the Oneida Housing Authority. I look forward to serving our people more effectively. I welcome any questions, concerns or ideas you may have. You may reach me at **920-869-2227.**

My name is Jason Johnson and I am the Assistant Executive Director for the Oneida Housing Authority. I would like to take this time to introduce myself to the Oneida community even though I have been with the Oneida Housing Authority for five years. I am the oldest of four. I have two sisters and one brother. Both of my sisters are nurses and my brother is currently serving in Iraq with the Army's infantry division. Prior to coming to Oneida Housing Authority, I worked for the Oneida Tribe for a period of four years.

I attended high school and college in Wisconsin where I played baseball in college and later played four years of semi-pro base ball for the Green Bay Billy's. I live in Green Bay with my wife who is an Emergency Room Registered Nurse.

The best thing about working for Oneida Housing Authority is that I have met a lot of people. In this business, you get to meet people every day, young and old.

If you have any questions regarding Oneida Housing Authority or would like more information, please contact the Housing Office at **920-869-2227.** I look forward to meeting you.

Refund Anticipation Loans: A high price to pay to borrow your own money

Madison - With tax booklets arriving at local libraries, the enticing TV and radio ads have begun, encouraging taxpayers to apply for a speedy Refund Anticipation Loan (RAL). But before people go running to the nearest tax preparation company, consumers should be completely aware of the high costs associated with a RAL and know that there are other speedy options out there that are completely free.

"Essentially, taxpayers who use RAL's are paying a high price to borrow their own money," said Governor Jim Doyle. "These loans have high, often hidden costs. I want the hardworking people of Wisconsin to know that a RAL is not the only resort - other options are available."

Taxpayers can visit any free tax preparation site, commonly referred to as VITA, where they can have their taxes electronically prepared for free. By e-filing a return, the refund can be directly deposited into the taxpayer's checking/savings account within a matter of days, all free of charge. But if a person does not have a checking/savings account, they usually go to a paid tax preparer and pay fora RAL in order to have money in their hand fairly quickly.

To help the 'underbanked' avoid at RAL, several dozen VITA sites have partnered with local financial institutions to offer taxpayers the opportunity to open a personal checking/savings account while visiting the VITA site. Opening an account would allow a taxpayer to receive a refund via direct deposit within a few days. In addition, the new account holders would also be able to build their credit histories and more easily save money by not having to pay for check-cashing services.

In 2003, approximately 114,000 Wisconsin taxpayers paid about $28.5 million in RAL and associated fees. An average tax refund of $2,000 can carry RAL - associated fees of $250 or more. That is equivalent to paying and annual interest rate of 521% for a 10 day loan! Plus, if a refund is delayed or denied for any reason, the consumer is responsible for paying back the loan as well as all fees, which typically increase dramatically after 10 days.

Before electronically filing, these high interest loans may have been attractive because paper tax returns would take several weeks to process. But with today's e-filing, state and federal refunds are available within a matter of days when deposited directly into a checking or savings account, all at no cost to the taxpayer.

"With tax season upon us, I encourage people to take advantage of the free VITA services," said Secretary of Revenue Michael L. Morgan. "The partnership that has been built between the financial institutions and the VITA sites is a win-win situation. No one should ever have to take out a loan to access money that is rightfully theirs."

To find a VITA site, call 1-800-829-1040. One is available at the Oneida Tribal Center for Self-Sufficiency, 2640 West Point Road, Green Bay. No appointment necessary. Hours: Beginning January 31st - Tuesdays - 4:30pm - 6:30 pm, paper filing only.

Cornelius recognized

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Charlene Cornelius received the service milestone award for her membership with the Association of Records Managers and Administrators (ARMA). Cornelius helped start the local Fox Valley /Green Bay Chapter 20 years ago and was on it's first board of directors as the elected secretary.



Cornelius

The organization helps keep it's members up to date on the latest technology and training.

Cornelius started in records management in 1983 first with the Oneida Museum and then at the Norbert Hill Center.

"Tribal records are different than business records outside. You have special provisions because it's so closely linked to our history," she said.

Cornelius attended an ARMA conference in Madison, Wisconsin to update her training.

She and micrographics technician Rick Greisser helped organize the Fox Valley/Green Bay chapter in 1985 to make the training more accessible in the area.

Cornelius is currently working on getting her bachelors degree from UW-Oshkosh.

"But then that's another article," she said with a laugh.

Student to be Ambassador to Australia

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Christine Afraid of Hawk will be traveling to Australia this June as part of the People to People Ambassador Class of 2006.

American high school and middle school students in the program travel abroad to learn about other cultures.

"It was started by President Eisenhower in 1956 and it's for kids to get to know one another and then there won't be as many conflicts," Christine explained.

A sophomore at Pulaski High School, Christine was nominated anonymously to be an ambassador.

Her father Bruce Afraid of Hawk believes she was selected because of her good grades and her volunteer activities with the Oneida Dodo Club, the annual Oneida Thanksgiving Feast and food drives at her school.

"I'm proud of her, very proud of her, especially her academic scores." he said.

Christine will be doing her civics homework to learn the United States federal government as well as the Oneida Business Committee.

"She's going to learn a little crash course on our local government." said Bruce.

Christine is looking forward to staying with an Australian family and has one goal in mind.

"I want to see a kangaroo," she said.

Bruce hopes his daughter can be an example to other young people.

"Put forth your best foot, you'll never know when you'll be rewarded for what you do," he said, remarking that the nomination took the family by surprise.

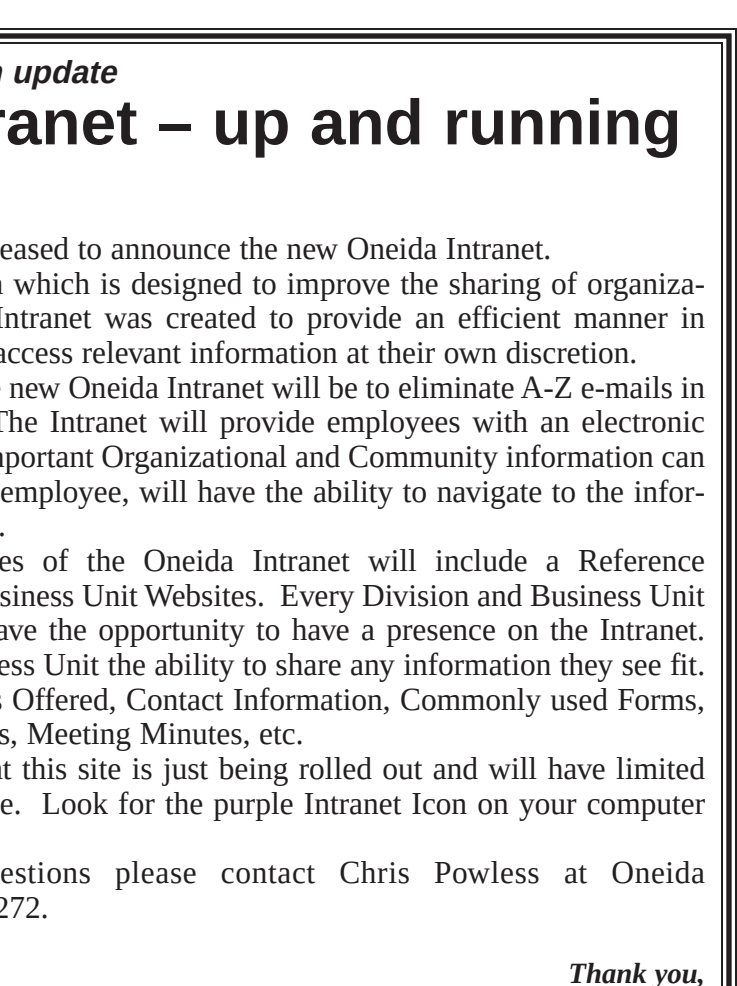


Photo submitted by Bruce Afraid of Hawk

Pulaski Sophomore Christine Afraid of Hawk will travel to Australia this June as part of the People to People Ambassador Class of 2006.

Employee Information update

Oneida Intranet – up and running

Dear Tribal Employees

The Oneida Nation is pleased to announce the new Oneida Intranet.

The Intranet is a system which is designed to improve the sharing of organizational information. The Intranet was created to provide an efficient manner in which the employees can access relevant information at their own discretion.

The main purpose of the new Oneida Intranet will be to eliminate A-Z e-mails in your Groupwise Inbox. The Intranet will provide employees with an electronic "Bulletin Board" where important Organizational and Community information can be posted. Then you, the employee, will have the ability to navigate to the information you find important.

Other important features of the Oneida Intranet will include a Reference Directory and Division/Business Unit Websites. Every Division and Business Unit in the organization will have the opportunity to have a presence on the Intranet. Giving the Division/Business Unit the ability to share any information they see fit. Examples being: Services Offered, Contact Information, Commonly used Forms, SOP's, Newsletters, Photos, Meeting Minutes, etc.

Please keep in mind that this site is just being rolled out and will have limited content in this initial phase. Look for the purple Intranet Icon on your computer February 6th.

If you have any questions please contact Chris Powless at Oneida Communications at 869-4272.

Thank you,
Oneida Intranet Project Team

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Oneida, Wi 54155

Three Sisters Site
2801 W. Mason St.
Green Bay, WI 54313

If you have any questions, please feel free to give us a call at

(920) 869-4369

Appeals (Continued)

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of Appellate Procedure states the criteria by which a Motion for Reconsideration may be accepted. *Reconsideration will only be granted under the circumstances where the moving party proves by a substantial weight of the evidence presented in the motion that there is new evidence in existence which was not considered by the appellate cour*t... No new evidence was submitted, Motion for Reconsideration was dismissed.

Lester Harms v. Oneida MIS, General Manager and Human Resources Department - Employment. Docket No. 04-AC-028, November 8, 2005. Judicial Officers Leland Wigg-Ninham, Anita Barber, Lois Powless, Marjorie Stevens and Winnifred L. Thomas presiding. This is an appeal of the Oneida Appeals Commission's Trial Court decision of October 25, 2004. The Appellate Court upheld the Trial Court's decision based on the newly enacted Sovereign Immunity Resolution in May, 2004. However, in their decision, the Appellate Court concluded that the directive of the General Tribal Council of 1990, *(assuring that all top management positions be filled through Indian Preference, mainly, through qualified Oneidas),* must be resolved through the Oneida General Manager, the Oneida Business Committee, or the Oneida General Tribal Council. The Appellate Court sent the matter back to the Oneida General Manager to resolve, and bring back a status report to the Oneida General Tribal Council within sixty (60) days upon receipt of the decision.

Michael J. Metoxen v. Oneida Health Center, Lesley Metoxen - Contempt.

Docket No. 05-AC-014, November 21, 2005. Judicial Officers Winnifred L. Thomas, Anita Barber, Robert Christjohn, Jennifer Webster and Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding. Mr. Metoxen had been terminated from the Oneida Health Center. During an Appeal hearing with the Oneida Personnel Commission, Mr. Metoxen made a statement that was offensive to the hearing panel. The panel cautioned Mr. Metoxen stating that he could be held in contempt of court. The Personnel Commission's decision found Mr. Metoxen in contempt, but chose not to fine Mr. Metoxen based on his explanation of his actions and apology. The decision of the majority was published June 28, 2005. Mr. Metoxen argued that the dissenting Commissioner asserted her own enumeration of the facts. However, the majority of the hearing panel had rendered a final decision on the contempt charges. The decision of the Appellate Court stated: Appellant failed to state what relief it is he is seeking. The review body found no harm done to the Appellant. The Motion to Dismiss is granted.

Rick Cornelius v. Oneida Police Commission - Employment. Docket No. 05-AC-019, December 13, 2005. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Anita Barber, Gerald Cornelius, Jennifer Webster and Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding. On September 28, 2005, Petitioner, Rick Cornelius filed a request with this Appellate body to review a written warning he received on August 29, 2005 by the Oneida Police Commission. Neither the Oneida Law Enforcement Ordinance, nor the Oneida Police Bylaws provide Cornelius with an appeals process. Mr. Cornelius reports directly to the Oneida Police Commission and is without an area manager. The Police Commission reports to the Oneida Business Committee, who does not hear appeals. The issue is whether the Oneida Tribal Judicial System, Appellate Court has jurisdiction to hear the merits of this appeal. The Appellate Court found it does not. The Appellate Court cannot accept a case that does not contain an original hearing body decision. It is the decision of the Appellate Court to transfer this case to the Oneida Tribal Judicial System, Trial Court, who shall hear the merits of this case.

In re: The Matter of the Oneida Police Commission - Declaratory Ruling. Docket No. 05-AC-011, December 27, 2005. Judicial Officers Leland Wigg-Ninham, Linda Cornelius, Lois Powless, Marjorie Stevens and Stanley R. Webster presiding. This is an appeal of the Oneida Appeals Commission's Trial Court decision to dismiss the Oneida Police Commission's request for a Declaratory Ruling on June 6, 2005. The Police Commission requested that the Trial Court make a ruling on Chapter 37.6-1. The Police Commission sought clarification on jurisdiction to hear disciplinary matters involving alleged violations of Oneida Police Department Rules and Regulations by appointed or non-sworn personnel of the Oneida Police Department. The Appellate Court held that Chapter 37 of the Oneida Tribes Law Enforcement Ordinance applies only to sworn law enforcement personnel.

Trial Court Decisions

In the Matter of the Estate of Geraldine Sophia Stevens Deceased - Probate.

Docket No. 05-TC-115, October 4, 2005, Judicial Officers, Winnifred L. Thomas, Mary Adams, Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding. In accordance with the Last Will and Testament of the deceased the heirs of the estate of Geraldine Sophia Stevens, are the two sons, William Briggs Stevens, and Craig Larson Stevens.

Owen Somers vs. Oneida Bingo & Casino, General Manager, Oneida Gaming Commission, Oneida Internal Security, Oneida Police Commission, Oneida Police Department, Chief of Police - Recusal.

Docket No. 05-TC-086, October 26, 2005. Judicial Officers, Winnifred L. Thomas, Leland Wigg-Ninham and Jennifer Webster presiding. Petitioner, Owen Somers, filed a Motion for Recusal of Judicial Officer Thomas, based on conflict of interest due to Ms. Thomas had served on the same committee with David Webster, Chairman of the Oneida Police Commission. During the time Ms. Thomas served on the committee she did not work directly with or for Mr. Webster. Ms. Thomas' former position with America's Dream is completely unrelated to the case at hand. The motion for recusal is denied.

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin v. Edwin Wallenfang - Money Judgement. Docket No. 05-TC-118, December 14, 2005. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Janice L. McLester and Dorothy Ninham presiding. This is a money judgement claim. The Oneida Tribe claims Mr. Wallenfang owes $585.90 for his wife, Mary Wallenfang, medical services received in 2003 at the Oneida Health Center. Petitioner argues Mary was covered under Mr. Wallenfang's health insurance. Mr. Wallenfang contends he is below the poverty guidelines and can not afford payments. The court agreed. The court determined that Mr. Wallenfang's Per Capita payment is subject to garnishment for satisfaction of Oneida Tribal debt. Judgement in favor of Petitioner

Rick Cornelius, Tim Huff v. Oneida Police Commission-Mark King, HRD-Geraldine Danforth - Injunction

Docket No. 05-TC-149, December 27, 2005. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Lois Powless and Jennifer Webster presiding. Mr. Cornelius and Mr. Huff filed for an Injunction to stay the hiring of a police officer claiming the Oneida Police Department's SOP-Hiring Process will be violated. Oneida Police Commission filed their opposition by arguing the Standard of Review. Respondent HRD filed a Motion to Dismiss. At the December 15, 2005, hearing, both Oneida Gaming Commission and Oneida Personnel Commission were dismissed as named parties to this case. HRD filed their Motion to Dismiss on (4) issues; 1) the Oneida Tribe has not waived its sovereign immunity; 2) Congress has not waived the Tribe's sovereign immunity; 3) HRD did not act outside its scope of authority; and 4) Mr. Cornelius and Mr. Huff failed to show why HRD should not be covered by the Tribe's sovereign immunity. Furthermore, HRD claims Petitioners lack standing to bring this claim because they failed to show personal harm. Therefore, HRD argues Petitioners lack evidence to support an Injunction against HRD. The court concluded that in order for an Injunction to be granted, Mr. Cornelius or Mr. Huff need to prove they will suffer immediate or irreparable harm. The court dismissed this case.

LOC Update

Legislative Operating Committee

February 2006

latest news

New Removal Law

On January 9, 2006 the General Tribal Council (GTC) approved a new removal law for elected officials. The new includes the following:

- Removal provisions for elected officials only (appointed officials are addressed in the pending Boards, Committees and Commissions law);
- A detailed petition process with time lines and signature verification;
- Preliminary review by the Oneida Appeals Commission to determine whether the allegations set forth in the petition, would constitute sufficient grounds for removal.
- Findings issued by the Oneida Appeals Commission to determine whether each allegation of the petition has been proven by clear and convincing evidence, and whether such allegations constitute sufficient grounds for removal under the law.
 - If the Oneida Appeals Commission determines that sufficient grounds have not been proven the Oneida Appeals Commission shall dismiss the petition.
 - If the Oneida Appeals Commission determines that the sufficient grounds have been proven, the Oneida Appeals Commission shall forward the written findings to the Tribal Chair.
- The Tribal Chair shall call a special General Tribal Council meeting to consider the findings to be held within forty-five (45) calendar days after receipt of the Oneida Appeals Commission findings.
- An elected official whose removal is sought shall have the right to address the General Tribal Council personally.
- An elected official may only be removed from office upon the affirmative vote of a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the General Tribal Council at a meeting called for the purpose of considering the removal.
- If the meeting of the General Tribal Council fails to obtain a quorum, the removal petition shall be dismissed.

The following language is currently under consideration for appointed positions, which will be included in a new law governing boards, committees and commissions:

Termination of Appointment. Appointed members of entities serve at the discretion of the Oneida Business Committee. Upon the recommendation of the Tribal chair, an appointed member of an entity may have his or her appointment terminated by the Oneida Business Committee by a two-thirds majority vote of the entire Oneida Business Committee.

The above language is a variation of the "serve at the pleasure" model, which is a common governmental practice for appointed positions. Also, please note that by requiring a two-thirds vote of the entire Oneida Business Committee this should provide some protection from arbitrary action.

Amendments to the Open Records and Open Meetings Law

The LOC forwarded to the Oneida Business Committee amendments to the Open Records and Open Meetings Law to specify the Tribal Secretary role as custodian of the OBC & GTC documents and clarify the availability of draft laws and policies. A public hearing will be held in February.

more info

New York Laws

As part of the Land Claim Settlement with the State of New York, the Tribe agreed to adopt particular laws in connection with the casino the Tribe secured under the settlement agreement. These laws include a plumbing code and building code. Public hearings will be held in February on these proposed laws. It is important to note that these proposals contain an automatic repeal provision in the event that the Land Claim Settlement with the State of New York fails to culminate.

Back Pay Policy

The LOC forwarded to the Oneida Business Committee a new Back Pay Policy which establishes the specifics on how back pay will be calculated when it has been determined that an employee was wrongfully terminated or suspended.

This policy specifies how the number of days is calculated and how the number of hours worked is calculated to determine the back pay amount. In this policy, wages earned during the back pay period are not deducted from the back pay.

public hearings

New York Laws

All Tribal members are encouraged to review and submit comments on proposals during the public hearing process. Unless otherwise noted, all public hearings are held in the Business Committee Conference Room (2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center).

On **FEBRUARY 7, 2006 AT 11:30AM,** public hearings will be held on the following proposals:

★ Amendments to the Open Records and Open Meeting Law

★ New York Laws: Plumbing Code and Building Code

On **March 21, 2006 at 11:30 a.m.,** a public hearing will be held on the following proposal:

★ Back Pay Policy

★ **If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposals or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376.** *Copies of these proposals are also available on the LOC Website:* ***www.on-loc.org***

meet the loc

The Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) consists of the 5 Council member positions of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC).

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The members of the LOC serve 3 year terms consistent with the Tribal election of the OBC.

when we meet

When in session, the LOC meets every other Monday at 9:00am in the Business Committee Conference Room (2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center).

Completed agenda item request forms should be received by the Wednesday prior to a LOC meeting in order to be placed on the agenda.

THE NEXT LOC MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2006.

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The LOC website contains all of the Oneida Laws and includes:

- A listing of the LOC members and their biographies.
- The Oneida Tribal Constitution.
- Active Files List. A summary and listing of all items pending before the LOC and official actions taken.
- LOC approved minutes.
- Public Hearing Notices and Documents. Any upcoming public hearing notices and documents are also posted on the website.

LOC ACTIVE FILES LIST

These are the items currently before the LOC:

- Back Pay Policy
- Boards, Committees and Commissions
- Education Code
- Election Law
- Election Law: Primary Elections for Business Committee Positions
- Half Fair Rental Repeal
- Hall of Fame Ordinance Amendments
- Internal Security Issues
- Labor Code
- Law Enforcement Ordinance
- Land Commission Elected Positions
- LEED Resolution
- New York: Building Code and Plumbing Code
- New York: Tribal Environmental Quality Review Act (TEQRA)
- Open Records/Open Meetings Law Amendments
- Police Commission Stipends
- Salary Structure
- SEOTS Bylaws
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Legislative Review

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald L. Danforth

Sagoli,

Most recently, I had the pleasure of spending some time with the program director and staff of the Oneida Nation Museum, which is located just off the corner of county highway E and EE (east of the Anna John Nursing Home).

Rita Lara, a mother of four, is the Museum Director and she has a Master's Degree in Management and Organization Behavior. Rita works with a team of five, who are, Cindy Reiter-Summers, Debbie Schuyler, Roy Denny, Oakely Arnold and Lydia TallChief.

Lydia, the museum's Assistant Director is also the collections manager and she obtained her degree from the Pratt Institute of Fine Arts and Design in New York. Correctly preserving the artifacts received by the museum is a vital component of museum management and having the technical staff available to ensure proper preservation is important. Roy Denny, a Cultural Interpreter, is working toward obtaining his degree in Supervisory Management. Roy also assists with preservation. The Museum Educator, Oakley Arnold, has a primary focus of promulgating and understanding and the history of Lotinuhses haká.

Debbie Schuyler is the Gift Shop Coordinator for the Museum, and she has a Master's Degree in Organizational Behavior. Rounding out the team at the museum is Cindy Reiter-Summers, who has worked for the museum for the past six years as an Administrative Assistant. Cindy anticipates completing her degree in finance in the near future.

Through strong leadership and team work, the museum has successfully quadrupled sales over the past three years, and during the month of January, the museum was closed in order to focus on reorganizing and developing new displays for the public. The new displays are entitled "Our Nations in Conflict; Iroquois Role in the Revolutionary War," "Oneida Removal and Resettlement" and "The Works of Jim Hill" In addition to the new items being introduced, several other displays such as the hands-on area, continue to contribute to the overall information and learning atmosphere the museum has to offer. Rita credits the recent successes of the museum to the employees. She and the team of museum employees strive to provide a quality educational experience for visitors to the Oneida Museum.

The Oneida Museum has much to offer visitors and demonstrates historical and culturally significant events of the Oneida throughout time. The reopening of the museum will take place on Friday, February 10 from 11am-5pm. I hope you will be able to join the team at the museum as they introduce their new and redesigned exhibits.

Yaw^ko,
Gerald L. Danforth,
Tribal Chairman

Treasurer's Report



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

Greetings,

FY 2005 Budget Status

Fiscal Year 2005 came to a close on September 30, 2005. The audits for FY2005 were completed and approved by the Business Committee on January 18th, 2006. The financials show the organization, overall, performed better than budget in gaming and in monitoring expenses on the program side of the organization. Thank you to everyone that has worked so diligently on the completion of the annual audit.

FY 2006 Budget Process

The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting. The first quarter of FY2006 closed at the end of December. My office is scheduled to present the variances for the first quarter of the fiscal year to the Business Committee on February 15th, 2006.

Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

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Legislative Update

The new year has been a busy time for the legislative Operating Committee (LOC) and the Oneida Business Committee. I will be discussing a few LOC items, housing items, and a matter regarding a political attack against Indian gaming in Wisconsin.

LOC Item

These are a few items currently before the LOC:

- Back Pay Policy
- Boards, Committees and Commissions
- Education Code
- Election Law
- Election Law
- Half Fair Rental Repealed
- Hall of Fame Ordinance
- Higher Education Resolution
- Internal Security Issues
- Land Commission Positions
- Law Enforcement Ordinance
- LEED'S Resolution
- New York: Building Code
- New York: Plumbing Code
- New York: Environmental
- Open Records/Open Meetings Law
- Police Commission Stipends
- Salary Structure Petition
- SEOTS Bylaws
- Trust Scholarship Fund

Boards, Committees and Commissions Policy
The future direction of this policy is too restrictive. The current draft policy places stipend restrictions and caps on the boards, which I do not favor. We should be evaluating individual request on a case-by-case basis and judge the merits of change on an individual basis.

Back Pay Policy
Councilman Edward Delgado and I worked diligently to ensure that employees who won their termination proceedings were awarded full back pay without deductions for wages earned during the appeal. The previous LOC had moved a Back Pay Policy which required terminated employees to "mitigate their damages" through employment while they were terminated and on appeal. This item will come before a public hearing, if any employees would like more information on this matter, please feel free to contact my office.

Housing Item

A considerable amount of my time has been devoted to educating my self on the detailed housing reform policy. I believe there is a viable pathway for movement in the housing sector. In fact, with a few policy shifts I think new housing solutions are attainable.

I recently accepted the liaison position for the Oneida Housing Task Force (OHTF). The need for more housing is central to our work. OHTF is working to bring several major housing matters to closure. All participants involved with the OHTF support the need to establish an aggressive home building pace. In fact, in February we are going to examine detailed ideas that should result in firm plans being cemented around new housing areas. My hope is that we will establish new policy advancements that will be advantageous to tribal members.

Recently I attended a two-day training seminar with the Oneida Housing Authority Board and the Executive Director of Housing. This training was well presented and the information that was outlined at this training was put to immediate use as my office is currently reviewing new housing ordinance policies.

There will be several housing policy changes that will be in the new housing ordinance. The details of the policy changes are still being reviewed and crafted by several parties, which include the Oneida Housing Board, the Oneida Housing Executive Director and my office. I'll provide an update on this matter once a draft document is submitted for LOC consideration.

Indian Gaming Under Attack

This is a very important year in terms of politics. The Governor's race in Wisconsin will almost certainly realize record dollars being spent on the campaigns. I wanted to share some information regarding one candidate who's wrongfully targeting Indian Tribes in his race for the Governors seat and I think we should call him on his behavior.



Councilman
Vince DelaRosa

In politics, things are not always as they appear. Sometimes candidates will attack an opponent or the people (or groups) that they believe are vulnerable targets. Vulnerable targets in these cases are usually people that a candidate believes voters do not care for. When this happens it usually signals a desperate candidate that will do anything to win.

Apparently, Congressman Mark Green believes, Indians and Indian governmental gaming in this state is a vulnerable target. Recently, he's taken political shots at Indian governmental gaming and we need to respond to this misleading propaganda. In fact, listed below are just a few statements that were copied off of Mark's campaign web site:

Taming Casino Cash

Speaking of betting, Mark didn't stop his ethics reform clarion call with just his self-imposed rule. He went on to say this:

I believe we need to respond to the fact that the bulk of criminal activity surrounding Jack Abramoff has been fueled by gambling interests and casino money. And we can't ignore the fact that the Doyle administration has its own controversy associated with casino dollars.

Here's what Mark proposed:

A call to renegotiate gaming compacts with Wisconsin tribes.

Because of the 2004 Wisconsin Supreme Court decision that ruled Jim Doyle's perpetual gambling compacts unconstitutional, Mark believes that the compacts should be renegotiated so that they are both a "better deal for taxpayers" and constitutional.

A prohibition on direct and indirect contributions from gambling entities while compact negotiations are taking place.

In the final weeks of the 2002 campaign, three tribes donated $750,000 to the Democratic National Committee, which then sent that money to Wisconsin to help elect Jim Doyle. Only weeks after he was sworn in, Governor Doyle agreed to perpetual gambling compacts that were ruled unconstitutional by the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

A prohibition on campaign contributions from any persons or entities attempting to open an off-reservation casino in Wisconsin.

There are currently several off-reservation casino efforts underway in Wisconsin. Governor Doyle has received at least $150,000 from investors in the Kenosha casino effort in 2005 alone. Mark called on the governor to return those funds prior to deciding the fate of any off-reservation casino.

A requirement for an up-or-down vote by the Legislature on any off-reservation casino request.

Much like an employment contract, the governor would negotiate the conditions for the off-reservation casino, and then the Legislature would ratify those negotiations. Speaker Gard's Assembly Bill 461, which was up for a public hearing on Wednesday in the Senate, would accomplish this proposal.

The political venom located in Mark's web site is so misplaced, that it strikes me as the work of a mad man. This information, as it's presented on Mark's web site, is misleading, baseless and a total distortion of the facts regarding Indian governmental gaming in the State of Wisconsin.

What Mark and his handlers are trying to do is transfer the Republican Party's influence pedaling scandal to the Indian tribes in this state. The Jack Abramoff scandal is a case involving influence pedaling by several prominent Republican heavy weights in Washington D.C. This case extends into the White House. This case also involves the defrauding of several tribes, none of which are located in Wisconsin.

The only corrupting money activity involves Mark's Republican Party. Ironically, the only person in Wisconsin who is tied to any of the players involved in the scandal is Mark Green himself. Mark recently admitted that he had received money from Tom Delay who was indicted recently on illegal fund-raising activities in Texas.

What Mark is trying to do is utilize this Washington D.C. scandal as an indictment against Governor Doyle and Indian governmental gaming. This is a very offensive political maneuver, which really calls into question his ethics.

Any candidate that tries to achieve political office while blatantly distorting facts that they represent to the voting public is unethical. Twisting this Washington D.C. scandal into a Wisconsin Indian governmental gaming issue is without any merit. This appears to be an attempt to destroy the stability of Indian governmental gaming and this activity should not go unchallenged.

Mark predicates all his Indian campaign rhetoric around the idea that all gaming compacts should be re-opened. Mark's position here could have disastrous results. Please note, Indian governmental gaming has put over 36,000 employees to work in this state. We've contributed to the success of over 6,000 small business owners across the state. Over the last ten years we've contributed well over $6 billion dollars to the tourism industry in this state. We've replaced (or covered) well over $500 million dollars in local spending (counties/state) that would have been needed for: housing, health care, law enforcement, Department of Public Works, educational and a host of other social services which are rightfully owed to Indian people.

Any candidate that purposely creates a poisonous atmosphere regarding one race of people in a state is not worthy of holding public office. I view this issue as a racist attack and it's reprehensible that this is occurring without any outcry from anyone! I do not see him attacking other races just Indian people and the industry we've created with our own hands.

The only thing we've ever wanted in terms of dialogue when it comes to us and our people is "honesty on the issues." Mark Green has done a great disservice to the Indian people in the State of Wisconsin and I call on all of you to put pressure on his office to retract his statements which wrongfully ties Wisconsin Indian governmental gaming to a Washington D.C. based scandal. These matters have nothing to do with any tribes in this state. A retraction on his campaign statements and an apology to the Indian people in this state is the only honorable solution!

To contact Mark Green you can call his campaign headquarters at 920-435-2006.

Thanks for reading my article. If I can be of any assistance, please call my office at 920-869-4469.

Sports

Thunderhawk boys lose heart breaker

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

Instead of finding a way to win, the Oneida Nation boys basketball team is finding ways to lose games.

The Thunderhawks played their best game of the season and nearly defeated a tough St. Lawrence Seminary team. The Hilltoppers improved to 9-2 for the season with the 49-47 victory and Oneida dropped to 1-14.

Darrell Skenandore had a chance to tie the game with .5 seconds left in the game, but he missed two of three free throws.

> *"With all the mistakes, we still had the chance to win the game."*
> ~ Scott Murray
> Oneida Head Coach

The Thunderhawks had many chances to seal the win, but couldn't capitalize.

Missed layups, blown defensive assignments, failure to box out and unforced turnovers all contributed to why Oneida lost the game. All these errors occurred in the waning moments of the final quarter.

"With all the mistakes, we still had the chance to win the game," Head Coach Scott Murray said. "That shows how well we played prior to the final two minutes."

Nick Cantu lead Oneida with 15 points, while Gavin Hill added 13.

"Overall, I was very pleased with the way the game was unfolding," said Murray. "Obviously I'm disappointed with the result, but we played hard and had opportunities to win the game."

Oneida 19 10 7 11 -47
SLS 15 6 16 12 - 49

Oneida: Cantu 15, Gutierrez 2, Hill 13, Skenandore 9, Lynk 8. 3-PT: Cantu 3. FT: 6-12. F: 13.

Oneida 38
Gibraltar 73

The Gibraltar Vikings opened up a 42-26 halftime advantage and were never threatened by the visiting Thunderhawks.

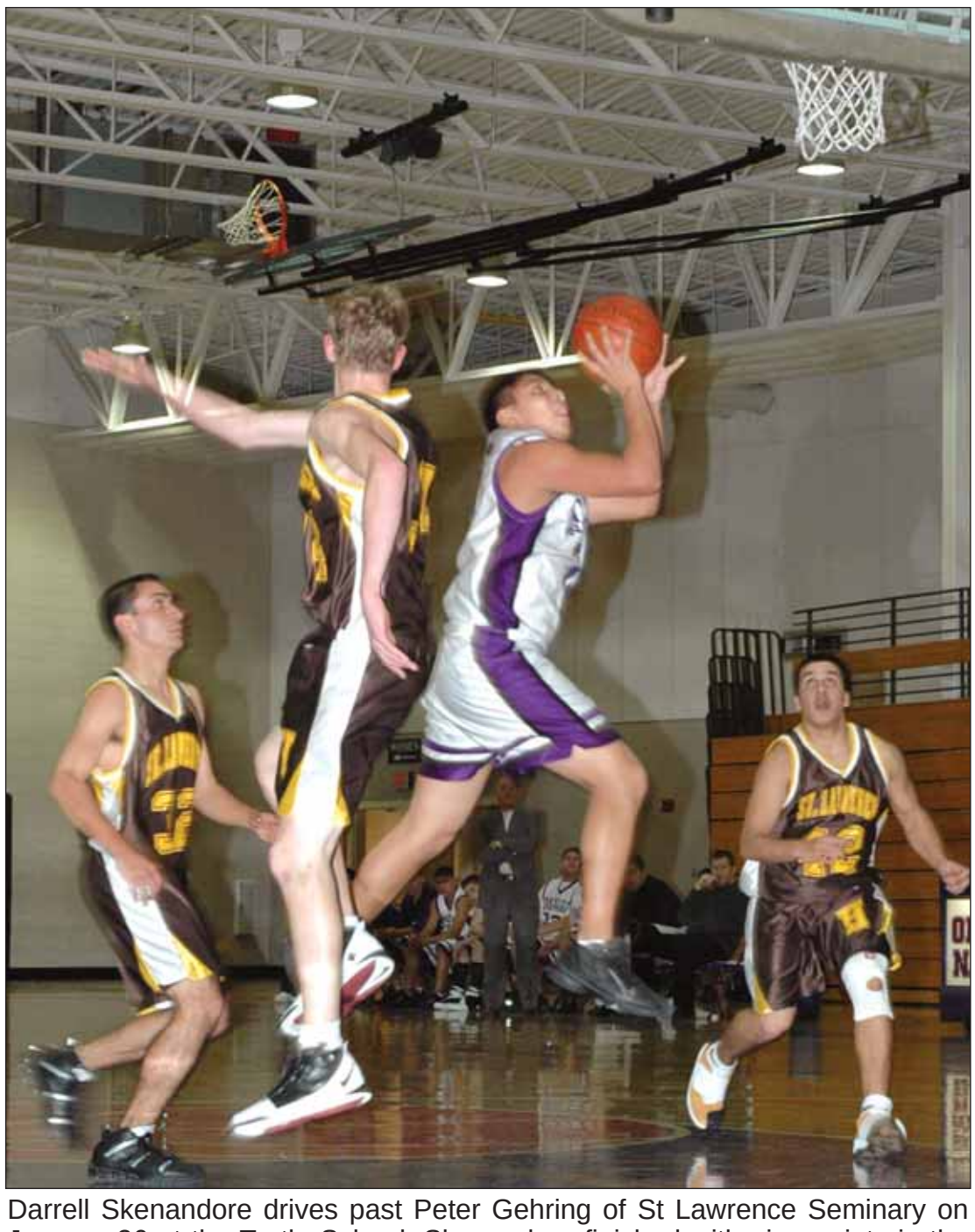
Costly turnovers and poor shooting by Oneida contributed to the loss.

"We need to be tougher on both ends of the floor," Head Coach Scott Murray said. "They (Gibraltar) were more aggressive and they got the win."

Oneida was lead by Truman Powless' eight points. Nick Cantu, Gavin Hill and Scott Lynk all chipped in six.

Oneida 13 13 6 6 - 38
Gibraltar 24 18 11 20 - 73

Oneida: Powless 8, Cantu 6, Josh Christjohn 4, Hernandez 4, Hill 6, Skenandore 4, Lynk 6. 3-PT: Cantu 2. FT:2-2.. F: 22.



Darrell Skenandore drives past Peter Gehring of St Lawrence Seminary on January 26 at the Turtle School. Skenandore finished with nine points in the 47-49 loss to the Hilltoppers.

Oneida girls hoops split

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida girls basketball team just can't seem to get past the the .500 mark this season.

After clawing their way to get to .500 by defeating arch rival Menominee 54-45 on January 19, they dropped a winnable game at Gresham.

The lady Thunderhawks opened the season 1-3. They then won their next two games to improve to 3-3, but then proceeded to drop the next two after that. Since, Oneida has alternated wins and losses the rest of the season.

Inexperience in critical game situations has hampered the Thunderhawks this season. That inexperience however will hopefully translate into experience as the season rolls on.

Oneida 54
Menominee 45

Oneida trailed 31-12 after one quarter, but the Thunderhawks exploded for 20 points in the second quarter to take command of the game. The 20-11 advantage in the second quarter proved to provide the winning margin.

Twyla Danforth lead Oneida with 22 points and Louise Stevens added 16.

Oneida 12 20 10 12 - 54
Menominee 13 11 9 12 45

Oneida: Santiago 3, S. Danforth 13, Stevens 16, T. Danforth 22. 3-PT: Stevens. FT: 8-18. F: 13.

Lets assess your fitness



Photo submitted by Oneida Family Fitness

Jason Manders assists Mark Coenen during a fitness assessment at Oneida Family Fitness.

Submitted by: Oneida Family Fitness

The friendly staff at Oneida Family Fitness want to assess your fitness level. Fear not. Fitness assessment information is confidential, the procedure is painless and lasts approximately 40 minutes. Fitness assessments are available for members and non members 14 yrs of age and older. Simply schedule to meet with a fitness specialist. Complete a wellness questionnaire, and make an appointment for a fitness assessments. It's just that easy.

Benefits of an Assessment

- Assess one's current fitness level
- Help to develop and establish an individualized program
- Possibly identify areas of health or injury risk
- Establish goals and motivation
- Evaluate progress
- Identify strength and weaknesses
- Educate others on concepts of physical fitness

Assessments consist of 5 separate tests to help measure your fitness levels and capacity for exercise:

1. Resting heart rate: Indicates aerobic fitness and cardiac efficiency. Healthy ranges are 60 beats per minute (bpm) and 100bpm.

2. Body Composition: Skin fold test done with a caliper determines body mass index or percentage of actual "fat" pounds. Averages for women range between 20-25% and males 10-15%.

3. Bike test: Measures cardiorespiratory or aerobic endurance. This test measures how long you are able exercise at high intensities for long periods of time. This cardiovascular test can also be measured with a 3-Minute Step Test.

4. Sit and Reach test: Shows the flexibility of lower back and hamstrings.

5 Bicep Strength test: Measures the strength in the upper body. This test can also be administered with a Push-up test.

Many people who enter Oneida Family Fitness for the first time have limited knowledge of their fitness level and want to improve their quality of life. For most, a fitness assessment is the perfect start to a lifestyle of healthy living. The first tests that make up an assessment are scored on a scale from "needs work" to "excellent." Each test result is recorded in bar graph form and can be compared with previous assessments. This gives members the opportunity to see how their work has paid off over the course of time. People who have an assessment usually excel in at least one area, so don't worry about the results. Our friendly staff is here to help you reach your goals.

Note: Some participants may require a physician's clearance before exercising

Oneida Recreation update

By: Kyle Casper, Sports and Fitness Specialist
Oneida Recreation

The main goal of the Sports and Fitness Programs at the Oneida Recreation Department are to keep individuals active and making their experiences enjoyable. Here is some information on some of the programs that will be coming up at our Recreation sites:

Co-ed Volleyball Leagues will begin play on March 6th. Leagues will play on Monday nights for six weeks during the months of March and April. Rosters of 6-10 players will be accepted. The first eight teams to register will be admitted into the League. When forming rosters, keep in mind that three females must be on the court at all times. All games will take place at the Civic Center.

We would like to begin our Teen Leagues again as soon as we receive enough participants amongst teens. Our facilities are available strictly for teens from 7:00-9:00 each night. The Teen Leagues we will be running will include Basketball, Flag-Football, Dodgeball, Volleyball, Soccer, and any other sport teens would like to play. Teens, this is your chance to actively take ownership in activities you want to do. Teen Leagues can take place at the Civic Center and County H.

If you would like more information please contact the Civic Center, at 869-1088.

Building character with ropes

Submitted by Oneida Family Fitness

Oneida Experiential Department began a character development class presented to the 5th grade ONES class beginning in the spring of 2004. Experiential staff used initiatives/games for an 8 week program focusing on learning objectives of making positive choices, working as a team, communication, listening skills, and respect. The program began with a goal to follow this 5th grade class through high school, and to add a grade every year to the program.

Last year we followed those 5th graders as they moved to 6th grade with a similar character development program and expanded it to the full year. In this 2004-2005 school year, Experiential staff led a one hour group for 5th and 6th graders in character development activities once a week.

This year, those original 5th graders are now in the 7th grade! Character development class continues with the 5th and 6th grades. The 7th grade program is now an elective in the PE class.

Nine students have chosen to follow the experiential track on their Tuesday PE class. The first session was teaching mountain biking basics/safety for 3 weeks. On the 4th week, you may have seen us biking to Norbert Hill on a field trip to bike the hills! The second 4 week session taught backpacking skills. We learned how to properly pack and fit an extended day pack with gear we would need for overnights. We made our own compact back pack stoves and used them on our 3 hour field trip to warm some freeze dried snacks/hot chocolate.

The character development class continues to grow as we make positive impact on the students involved. Contact Kip or Cindy if you have any questions regarding this burgeoning program! **490-3810, 490-3863.**



Photo submitted by Oneida Family Fitness

The Oneida Experiential Department builds character during their eight week program through the use of games and other physical challenges.

Scottish Folk musician David Francey returns to Oneida Concert Series

Submitted by Sherrole Benton
ONAP

David Francey, a singer/songwriter, comes through Oneida once again, February 16th, to share his wonderful, insightful, music with the community. Francey is a Juno Award (Canadian Grammy) winner, twice, with his crystal clear visions and heartfelt lyrics.

Francey, being of Scottish heritage and a carpenter by day, writes songs that everyone can relate to and appreciate. It's a lot like country music, but with a blend of acoustic guitar and, "elements of traditional Scottish folk music, rural American music and a deep sense of wisdom seamlessly together," according to Kynd Music Editor, Dave Terpeny.

In his review of Francey's music, Terpeny asks, "So why haven't you heard of him before?

"Well, my thought is that because you weren't ready to hear of him yet. You see, David creates an amazing sense of place in his music and lyrics and sometimes those places aren't pleasant. And sometimes he challenges you to think, to open your eyes and to believe in what you see. In short, the humble spirituality that comes through his music is not always easy to handle. You have to be in the right place," Terpeny wrote.

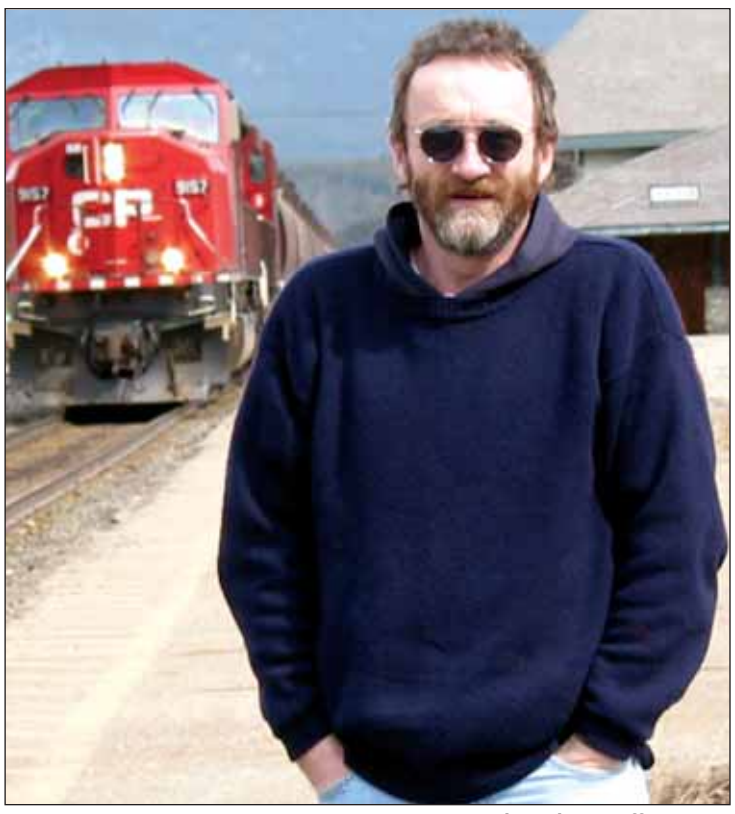


Photo by Geoff Somers

David Francey will play at the Parish Hall Feb. 16th.

You'll be pleasantly surprised how much you'll enjoy Francey's music and his genuine sincerity at his concert on Thursday, Feb. 16th, 7;30 p.m. in the Parish Hall, Oneida, Wisconsin. Tickets are $10 adults; and $5 students and elders.

Upcoming performances in this series include "Black Wolf Blues featuring Wade Fernandez," on March 17th, and "Tales of an Urban Indian," stage play on May 12th. For more information contact ONAP at **920-490-3830.**

Hearts & bunnies are ready to go…



Kali photo/ Dawn Walschinski

Volunteers Frieda Clary and Carol Elm made baskets for Valentines Day and Easter as part of a fund raiser for the Nori Damrow Food Center on Wednesday, February 1st. The baskets contain goodies such as stuffed animals, candy, decorative knick knacks, and books. All proceeds will go towards the Oneida food pantry. Baskets are $3 and up and can be customized for any age or budget. Call Gary Smith or Nori Damrow at **920-869-1041,** or e-mail **food@oneidanation.org** to order a basket or volunteer to make a few gift baskets. Volunteers are needed through April 16th. There are plans for a kickoff luncheon on Valentines Day at the Oneida Pantry in the Oneida Business Park and for Bakery and Easter Basket Sales at the Oneida Bingo Hall on April 1st and April 2.

Sovereignty: A Key to Native American Rights

Governance entitles us the right to regulate ourselves. In order to have sovereignty you must have land. *-- Loretta V. Metoxen, LCC Chair*

Breaking Down Sovereignty
Sove-Reign-ty

Sovereign =  **King**  **Money** **&**  **Power**

Reign =  

Governance

Self-governance = Sovereignty
Land base = Sovereignty
Sovereignty = Rights

Key Elements of Sovereignty
People • Language • Tradition & Culture • Land

What is sovereignty?
Sov-er-eign-ty (sŏv´ər-ĭn-tē) n., **1.** Supremacy of authority or rule as exercised by a sovereign or a sovereign state. **2.** Royal rank, power, or authority. **3.** Total independence and self government. **4.** A territory existing as an independent state.
-- Webster's II: New College Dictionary

Sovereignty: The supreme, absolute, and uncontrollable power by which any independent state is governed; supreme political authority; the supreme will; paramount control of the constitution and frame of government and its administration; the self-sufficient source of political power, from which all specific political powers are derived; the international independence of a state internal affairs without foreign dictation; also a political society, or state, which is sovereign and independent. *-- Black's Law Dictionary: Sixth Edition*

Origins of Sovereignty: Sovereignty was a term that came from the British and was further developed in the Constitution of the United States of America. The United States Constitution enforced tribal sovereignty through treaties.

"This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States shall be the supreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby, any Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwithstanding." *-- United States Constitution: Article VI*

What is Tribal Sovereignty? **Sovereignty:** The status, dominion, rule or power of a sovereign. Tribes have the power to make and enforce laws for their people and reservation, and to establish courts and other forums for resolution of disputes. **Tribal Sovereignty is not absolute, but is subject to certain limits resulting from the subordination of the tribes to the United States.**
-- Consultation with American Indian Governments (page 3)

What are the limits to Tribal Sovereignty?
- Tribal government is subjected to Congress.
- Tribes cannot print money.
- Tribes cannot have an army.

How can we increase our sovereignty? Reacquire **all** tribal land within our reservation boundaries.

Tribes are Domestic Dependent Nations. Congress has Plenary Power over Tribes.

How do Checks and Balances Impact Tribes? Supreme Court decisions are final with Tribal cases. Congress can change the Supreme Court's position by writing a law.

"Sovereignty is the key." Sovereignty is a heavy topic that is discussed throughout Indian Country and is the key that protects our rights as "unique" citizens of the United States. Sovereignty may be a single word but has multiple interpretations. In spite of the ambiguity of sovereignty, it is crucial for tribal citizens to grasp what it means in order to maintain our birth rights as Native American people.

"Sound decisions today impact our generations tomorrow." Our ancestors fought for our rights and we have been able to maintain our sovereignty for the past 250 years. Now it is up to us to carry the torch and strive to preserve the rights for our generations to come. The wisest thing our ancestors did was think of us when they made their decisions yesterday. Like our ancestors, we need to think of how our decisions today impact our seven generations.

"Education is power." Education is the key that will help us protect our rights as Native American people. If we don't know what sovereignty means, how can we effectively maintain our rights? Sovereignty gives us the unique ability to have self-governance and once we give up our rights as a sovereign nation, we give up our power. *--Jennifer M. Stevens, LCC Coordinator*

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Thunderhawk Times

Earl Metoxen Teaches Art and Life

By Denis Gullickson
Thunderhawk Times advisor

Kaliwisaks readers know who Earl Metoxen is. He's the artist who does those thought-provoking "cartoons." Since last fall, Earl has been sharing his talents each Tuesday with three members of the Thunderhawk Times staff. They are junior, Joe Christjohn and seniors Amber Doxtater and Eliza Pelky.

What you learn talking to Earl is that there's much more to him and his cartoons than meets the eye.

"It's about what's next," he says. "Where is this leading?"

And, after thinking about it, you realize that he's talking about more than art – he's also talking about life and the life and work of the artist.

A recent look at one of his pieces unveiled layer after layer of meaning. He even rotated the piece to help a novice see what was there all along.

His favorite subjects include Oneida culture and tradition, especially as represented by the spirit world, elders and animals. From time to time, he also likes to add his commentary on his favorite sports team – the Packers.

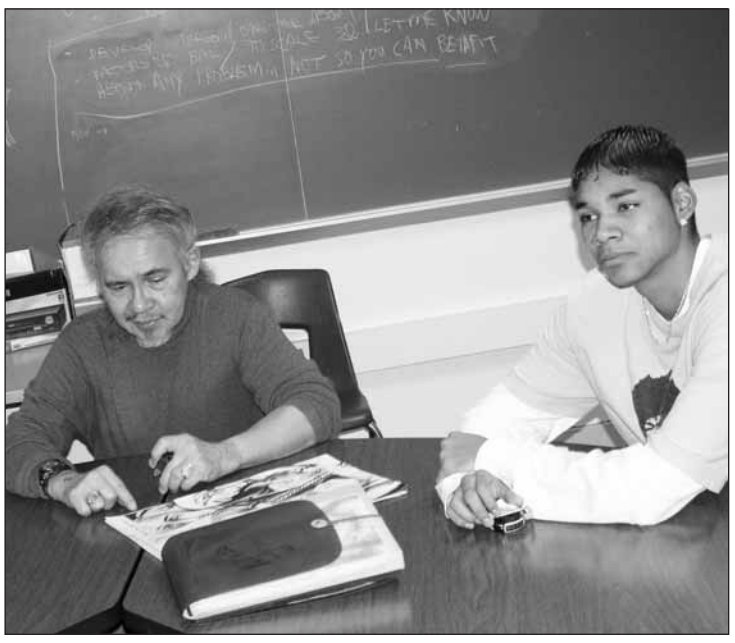
Earl uses his own work to teach and challenge the students, though he is encouraging them to develop their own styles, not adopt his. Each week, he presents them with a new challenge, a new way of looking at their work and, as a result, their lives.

Joe said Earl, "taught me how to shade more than I knew how. And his drawings for the "Kali" kind of inspire me to keep drawing and just keep on with it. Oh yeah, and he gave me a sketch book and a black professional pencil – well, it sure felt professional when I was drawing pics with it."



Illustration by Joe Christjohn
Photo by THT

Top: Earl Metoxen inspired THT journalist Joe Christjohn to create this culturally themed image. Below: Metoxen shows Christjohn shading techniques.



Even More Thunderhawk Times Staff



by Thunderhawk Times staff

Joe Christjohn is 17 years old "or young – whatever you prefer." He's 6'2" tall. He likes to wear jewelry like diamond earrings, a chain around his neck and a bracelet. The day he was interviewed, he said, "I dressed in baby blue today because I felt happy."

Joe loves to play football and baseball, "especially pitching, because I like to throw the ball at the batter and try and take him out of the game." He likes "girls, playing video games and eating sour candy or anything else with sour sugar in it." He likes to listen to "rap music and metal rock jamz" because that kind of music gets him "all crazy and wanting to tear someone's head off in football."

by THT Staff

Carl Bridges is an ONHS junior. This year, he headed up the video news crew in journalism class which was a brand new effort. Carl turned 18 last March. Prior to coming to ONHS, he attended Green Bay - Southwest, though he says he didn't go to school there "too often." Since he's come back to ONHS, his attendance has been better and so have his grades. He loves to play basketball and baseball. His motto is "Go Eagles!" or "How about them Packers?" When told that the Packers would beat the Eagles soon, all he could do was chuckle.



by THT Staff

Isaiah Smith is a senior at ONHS. His hobbies include sports and going to the movies.

His family consists of his mom, step-dad, two brothers, and two step-sisters.

Isaiah is currently the editor of the parent newsletter and plans to attend the University of Oshkosh in the fall where he will seek a bachelors degree in urban regional planning.

His motto to live by is either "I don't know" or "I don't have one."



by THT Staff

His name is Travis. He is an ONHS senior. He "lives with four other people" – his mom, sister, and their boyfriends. His favorite band is Pink Floyd. He enjoys "watching the news and going to Barnes & Nobles, believe it or not!" His favorite tv show "would have to be 'Real Time with Bill Maher.'" Politically, he considers himself "an Independent, but some would believe I'm more of a Liberal Democrat, if politics mean anything to you, I don't know." After high school, he plans on attending ITT Tech with the intent to receive a associates degree as a Network Administrator.



by THT Staff

Earl Elm transferred to ONHS from Green Bay-Southwest this school year, thanks to his friend Sapatis. They have been friends since 3rd grade, even though Earl went to Green Bay schools since 5th grade.

He played football this year and says the last game of the season was his "best." He had two kickoff returns. He says he likes ONHS because "the school isn't that big and the teachers are cool – well, some are."

He says his life isn't that exciting so far. He says that he may do crazier stuff in the future but "who knows? Only time will tell."



2005 Was a Year of Technological Advances

by Eddie Metoxen
ONHS Junior

Here are a couple of developments from 2005 that caught the interest of teenagers.

In Technology: Xbox 360 hit stores November 22, 2005. It is the new revolution in video game consoles. It sold out within hours of its release and is still sold out in stores today. The cost for one of these consoles is $300 for just the console. $400 for the console, the hard drive, wireless controllers, headsets, and a remote control.

In Entertainment: Top movies of 2005.

1. Revenge of The Sith - $380,263,000
2. Goblet of Fire - $276,908,000
3. War of The Worlds - $234,277,000
4. Chronicles of Narnia - $224,839,000
5. Wedding Crashers - $209,218,000
6. Chocolate Factory - $206,456,000
7. Batman Begins - $205,344,000
8. Madagascar - $193,137,000
9. Mr. Mrs. Smith - $186,336,000
10. Hitch - $179,200,000



Some Affects of Drinking

by Rollie Christjohn
ONHS Senior

-Yeast is the "star" of the drinks industry. Its feeds on sugar as the absence of oxygen, it releases carbon dioxide and ethanol - the drinkable form of alcohol.

-Only 20% of the alcohol you drink is absorbed by the stomach.

-Heavy drinking is blamed up to 33,000 deaths a year in the UK.

-When you consume alcohol, you lose more water in your urine then you take in itself.

-Booze interferes with the nerve ending that controls erection.

-Binge drinking is thought to have serious long-term impacts.

-After a heavy night out drinking your body is dehydrated, which causes the brain to shrink away from the skull.

Oneida Recreation
Teen Valentine's Dance
Teens ages 13 and older are invited to join us.
Where: Oneida Civic Center
When: Wed., February 15th
Time: 6:00pm to 8:00pm
Dance Compitition: 7:00pm to 8:00pm

First Prize: $100
Second Prize: $50
Third Prize:$25

Contact Kim for dance rules and to sign up at **833-0010**

Food and drinks will be provided.

My Scoop

Teen Blogs

by Eddie Metoxen
ONHS Junior

["Blogs" and "blogging" have become a recent concern for ONHS as well as other high schools. Basically what blogs are is posting your opinion in open forums at various sites on the internet. Many students "blog" to share their feelings on teenage topics. But sometimes, the "blogging" can be negative.]

I don't think blogs are a bad thing at all. Its something to do when your bored. I don't think schools should worry about what kids do out of school. I agree that students shouldn't be posting where they live, because thats just dumb. Blogs are a good way for kids to meet other kids that feel the same way they do about things to let them know that there not alone.

Education

K - 4th grade Science Fair March 8th

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
ONES Science Fair Coordinator

The Oneida Nation School System is hosting it's 21st annual science fair for students in the FACE Program through 4th grade. This year, we are actually going to have 2 science fairs. It will be twice as exciting and fun! The first one was held on December 21, 2005 for grades 5-12. The second fair, for our younger students will be held on Wednesday, March 8, 2006, during 3rd quarter parent teacher conferences.

The Oneida Tribal School was the FIRST tribal school in the nation to have a science fair 21 years ago. Our school also was the first tribal school in Wisconsin to host a Wisconsin State Science Fair in 1991. Our schools are proud to be members of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES).

AISES is a national organization that promises the building of communities by aligning science and technology with traditional Native values. It's affiliated members include many tribes from all over the country. It provides Native American students opportunities to actively participate in a science-based learning environment and create science projects that can be shared with peers, teachers and educators. Science fairs provide a forum for students to have their research recognized and critiqued in the disciplines of science, mathematics, engineering, technology and cultural preservation.

Schedule of Events
March 8, 2006
Public Viewing - Small Gym, 1:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M.
Presentation of Special Awards - Cafeteria
Time: TBA

Oneida CEC February class schedule

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced its schedule of computer classes for February. Classes are free for tribal members and employees, and held at the Center's location at 2632 S. Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced training in Corel WordPerfect Office and Microsoft Office software, the Community Education Center also offers classes for those who are new to computers and would like to learn more about how to use computers at home or work.

Among the classes to be offered in February are"Computer for Beginners" which is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, February 14. This three-session class provides those who have little or no prior computer experience with a basic understanding of how to use computers.

A "Buying a New Computer" class is scheduled for February 10, for those looking to buy a new or used computer. There will be an "Introduction to Digital Imaging and Cameras" class on February 9, and a two-session class on Adobe Photoshop, a popular digital imaging software product, beginning on February 16.

There will be two introductory class on Microsoft Word, with the first scheduled to begin on Monday, February 13, and the second on Tuesday, February 21. These classes provide students with an understanding of the basics of using a computer typing letters, reports, etc.

Those who would like to learn how to use computer spreadsheets can attend an introductory class on Microsoft Excel which begins on February 6. A three-session class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows XP" will be offered starting on Tuesday, February 21.

Also in February, the Community Education Center will be offering classes on Microsoft Access, Microsoft Publisher, Microsoft PowerPoint, and Corel Presentations. Introductory keyboarding training is also available using the award-winning Mavis Beacon software. Students can work at their own pace to learn the basics of typing and using a computer keyboard.

In addition to classes, one-on-one training and assistance is also available from the Center's staff Monday thru Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and now on Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information on any of these classes, or to register for a class, contact the Oneida Nation Community Education Center at **496-7860**.

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center will be offering a "Starting/Owning Your Own Business" class beginning on Monday, February 6, for those thinking about starting a small business.

The four-session class will be held at the Center's location at 2632 S. Packerland Drive and is based on the University of Wisconsin Small Business Development Center's "First Steps" program. The class is designed to assist individuals in assessing the personal and financial issues involved in starting a business.

Each class session will involve the completion of worksheets that aid in the assessment process. The completed worksheets will provide a foundation for the creation of a business plan, which is the key to financing and managing a business. The class is being supported by the Oneida Small Business Improvement Association and costs $10 for tribal members or $15 for non-members.

In addition to business and computer classes, one-on-one training and assistance is also available by appointment from the Center's staff. For more information on the "Starting/Owning Your Own Business" class, or to register for the class, contact the Oneida Nation Community Education Center at **496-7860.**

ACT Prep & Test Taking Session Offered at UWM for Spring 2006

Milwaukee – There will be a session of both the ACT Preparation Class and the ACT Test Taking Experience offered at the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee during the spring 2006 semester.

Session II of the ACT Preparation Class runs April 8 and April 29-June 3. Session II of the ACT Test Taking Experience is on April 8 (included in the ACT Preparation Class).

Session II of the ACT Preparation Class meets for the pre-test on the first day (April 8), 8 a.m.-noon. Then, for five consecutive Saturdays (April 29-May 27), class time is from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Class time is 8 a.m.-noon on the final Saturday (June 3). *There is a break between the pre-test and classes due to spring break.

This class is open to grades 11-12 students only.

The ACT Test Taking Experience is a one-time opportunity to take an unofficial ACT test. Session II is held on April 8, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. This opportunity is open to grades 10-12 students. If you are enrolled in the ACT Prep Class, do not enroll in the Test Taking Experience, because it is included in the class.

Attendance at all class sessions is mandatory for enrolled students. Those taking the second sessions of the ACT Prep Class are advised to register for the June 10 official test date.

The class and the Test Taking Experience are offered at UWM through the TRIO & Pre-College/Mini-Course Program. The classes are for students in grades 11-12 and the Test Taking Experience is for students in grades 10-12.

The ACT Prep Class will cover math, reading, writing and science reasoning, as well as strategies for taking the test. Students engage in 20 hours of intense classroom instruction and review. They are provided a realistic pre-test and post-test experience with unofficial test results. The class runs for seven Saturdays, which requires students to have a high level of commitment and dedication to regularly attend. There are 100 openings for this class, in which the student instructor ratio is 25:1.

The fee for the ACT Preparation Course is $175, or students may apply for the Department of Public Instruction Pre-College Scholarship, if eligible. To receive the DPI Pre-College Scholarship, students must be eligible for free or reduced lunch.

Students in the ACT Test Taking Experience will receive unofficial test results and additional test-taking strategies. The fee for the ACT Test Taking Experience is $25; there are no scholarships available.

For the ACT Prep Class, a 2.0 core academic grade point average (GPA) is required of all students. (Applicants must include a copy of their December 2005 report card/transcript with their registration form). There is no GPA requirement for the ACT Test Taking Experience and no report card/transcript is required.

The deadline for applying for Session II of the class and the Test Taking Experience is **March 22.** Students are not eligible if they have been previously enrolled. Scholarships are available for the ACT Prep Class for students who are eligible for free or reduced lunch through a Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction program. (Individuals may receive scholarships for a maximum of three programs a year.) For more information about classes and scholarships, phone **414-229-6236**, or email **minicourses@uwm.edu.** The web page is **www.uwm.edu/Dept/trio/minicourses.**

Ironworkers Wanted

The National Ironworkers Training Program for American Indians is looking for applicants. The school is located in Broadview, IL near Chicago.

Contact the Indian Preference Department for more information at **920-496-7893** to make an appointment with Marj Stevens or Jeanette Ninham.

Listed below is what is needed to enter this program.
* Be 20 years of age or older
* Have an interest in the Ironworking Craft.
* Be prepared to complete 12 weeks of training.
* Provide a birth Certificate & Degree of Indian Blood.
* Provide a doctor's form stating you are physically fit to perform construction work and are drug free. (Must be our physical form)
* Have a High School Diploma or G.E.D.
* Provide copy of dirvers license if you have one.
* Be able to read and write the English language.
* Be willing to relocate.
* Be able to start working within 6 months. This involves in having transportation and drivers license.



GOOD MIND... *"a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking"* great future!

Oneida Police Department has completed the first of the "Stings" that they agreed to do for the community in support of reducing underage drinking. These "Stings" are compliance checks that use an underage person to attempt to purchase alcohol from retail or drinking establishments. OPD and former Police Chief Rick Cornelius were co-writers of the Indian Alcohol Substance Abuse Grant that was awarded to the Oneida Nation from the Bureau of Justice Assistance. This past year, OPD had held a training for area retailers in collaboration with other local and county police departments. There, the retailers were trained on how to identify fake IDs and were educated on the Wisconsin alcohol ordinances. Retailers were all informed that these "stings" would be happening.

Friday, January 13 was the first of these "Stings" led by Officer Mark Stanchik. His team checked 9 establishments resulting in 5 citations issued. All establishments were within Oneida Reservation Boundaries. Stanchik says that these "Stings" will "deter the sale of alcohol to underage persons, enforce the law against sales of alcohol to underage persons, and will educate the youth in our community, retailers, and the community as a whole on the problems of underage drinking through the enforcement of laws regarding selling alcohol to underage persons." The overall task is simple: <u>To protect the youth of our community.</u> The establishments that were checked during this first round of stings are; Oneida One Stop West Wind, Grand Central Station, Buster's Bar, West Mason Street Casino, Fuzzy's Bar, MVP's Bar, Beavers Bar, Rendezvous Bar, and Busters Bar.

Acting Chief of Police Ron King says that "our police department is committed to be part of the CAPPS program and every effort that we can make as part of the organization, for the youth, will be more beneficial for the whole community. That's what we're here for!" Chief King says that he will support more compliance checks in the future.

This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Dept. of Justice.

Health & Senior Focus

Inhalable insulin gets federal approval

Washington (AP) -- The first inhalable version of insulin won federal approval Friday, giving millions of adult diabetics an alternative to some of the regular injections they now endure.

The Food and Drug Administration said the Pfizer Inc. insulin, to be marketed as "Exubera," is the first new way of delivering insulin since the discovery of the hormone in the 1920s. Pfizer jointly developed the drug and dispenser with Sanofi-Aventis and Nektar Therapeutics.

Use of rapid-acting inhaled insulin will not replace the need to occasionally inject the hormone, according to the FDA. And diabetics will have to continue pricking their fingers to test blood sugar levels.

The FDA delayed its decision by three months so it could review chemistry data on the diabetes treatment. The European Commission approved Exubera for use in adults on Thursday.

Analysts have said the inhaled insulin could eventually become a $1 billion-a-year seller for Pfizer, which recently agreed to pay Sanofi-Aventis $1.3 billion to obtain full worldwide rights to the drug for use by both Type 1 and 2 adult diabetics.

"Until today, patients with diabetes who need insulin to manage their disease had only one way to treat their condition," said Dr. Steven Galson, director of the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research. "It is our hope that the availability of inhaled insulin will offer patients more options to better control their blood sugars."

Clinical trials found that Exubera managed blood sugar levels just as well as injected insulin, but an independent FDA panel in September stressed that use of inhaled insulin will not mean diabetics can toss out the needles, pens or pumps used to inject the hormone.

Inhalable insulin is a welcome advance, said Dr. Nathaniel Clark, the national vice president for clinical affairs for the American Diabetes Association. But he added that needles still will allow a patient to better control dosage.

"Injecting insulin is far more precise in the sense of, what you want to deliver you deliver. You don't have to deal with any questions of how much is delivered through the lungs," Clark said.

The FDA review panel also expressed concern about the bulkiness of the Exubera dispenser and about some patients who experienced coughing or a slight decrease in lung capacity when using the drug. Pfizer will conduct studies on the long-term effects of Exubera on the lungs, as well as the safety and effectiveness of the drug on patients with lung disease, the FDA said.

The American Diabetes Association estimated that nearly 21 million people in the U.S. have diabetes, although about one-third do not know it. The number of people with diabetes is believed to have tripled in the past quarter-century.

Diabetics with either type of the disease could use the rapid-acting inhaled insulin before or after meals to manage their blood sugar levels. However, the drug would not replace the longer-acting insulin injections that some diabetics, particularly those with Type 1 diabetes, need to take in the morning or before bed.

"You're not going to eliminate the needles in Type 1. For Type 2, it really depends on the stage," said Dr. Will Cefalu, a clinical investigator for both Pfizer and Eli Lilly and Co., which is developing its inhalable insulin system with Alkermes Inc.

Most diabetics have Type 2, a condition linked to obesity that occurs when the body cannot effectively use the insulin it makes. Sometimes the disease can be treated with pills instead of injections when matched with a diet, exercise and weight-management plan.

Pfizer believes Exubera will encourage diabetics who are squeamish about needles to take the insulin they need to tightly control their blood sugar levels. About 15 percent of diagnosed diabetics do not take the insulin or pills they should, according to American Diabetes Association estimates. Better control of blood sugar levels allows diabetics to ward off other serious complications, including diseases of the eye, kidneys and nerves. The latter can lead to ulcers and infections in the legs and feet and, in some cases, amputations.

The Exubera device is about the size of an eyeglass case. It delivers insulin, as a dry powder packaged in one- or three-milligram inhalable capsules, to the lungs through the mouth, according to Pfizer.

Diabetics with poorly controlled or unstable lung disease, or who smoke or recently quit, shouldn't use Exubera, the FDA said. And patients should have their lungs checked before using the drug, as well as at six to 12 month intervals after that.

The world's largest pharmaceutical company initially will have the inhaled insulin market to itself.

"We will be the first out there and for a while," said John LaMattina, president of global research and development for Pfizer. Eli Lilly and Co., Kos Pharmaceuticals Inc., MannKind Corp. and Novo Nordisk A/S all are developing their own versions.

"It's not going to be an overnight sensation," said Dr. Robert Goldstein, chief scientific officer for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund International. "My concern is that people will assume they are now free of insulin shots."

- Every two seconds, someone in this country needs blood.
- Only 5% of the eligible population give blood. The demand for blood is outpacing the available supply.
- Every day, the Red Cross must collect over 900 blood donations in our region to meet patients' needs.
- Every unit of blood can be separated into several components, helping save the lives of three or more patients.
- All blood types are needed constantly, but there is a special need for O negative, O positive and B negative blood.

ONEIDA
Blood Drive
Friday, Feb. 10th, 2006
8 am – 2 pm
Oneida Family Fitness
2640 West Point Rd.

Call the Oneida Family Fitness Center today for an appointment at…

490-3730 **American Red Cross**

WIR information is available on line

Submitted by Michelle Myers BSN, RN
Community Health Nurse

Parent Access at last!

Like other Wisconsin clinics and County Health Departments, the Oneida Community Health Center has participated in the Wisconsin Immunization Registry (WIR) by entering all childhood immunizations administered at the clinic. The WIR is a secure and confidential data system that stores immunization records. This internet based program allows health care providers and school nurses access to your child's immunization records no matter where they have received them in Wisconsin.

Wisconsin has been a leader in the development of such registries designed to record immunization information and allow immediate access to health care providers. The WIR continues to improve and now offers parents and guardians, with internet access, the ability to look up their child's immunization record directly. Simply go to **http://dhfsWIR.org** and follow the instructions. You must provide specific information about your child to gain access to his/her immunization record. So have your child's date of birth and social security number ready when logging in.

Parent access is a new feature to WIR. If you have trouble accessing your child's immunization record or you find your child's record is incorrect, you are encouraged to contact the Oneida Community Health Center. Our clinic has participated in the Wisconsin Immunization Registry for the past five years. Shots given prior to this may be missing. Also if your child's social security number is not entered into the system, you cannot gain access until it is. Both issues can easily be corrected by a simple phone call to the Oneida Community Health Center at **869-2711.**

Community Development Financial Institutions Spread Like Wild Grass in Indian Country

By William Baue

First Nations Oweesta Corporation serves as a national umbrella organization providing the structural framework and organizational support to fuel current exponential Native CDFI growth.

SocialFunds.com – Community development financial institutions (CDFIs), which target populations left unserved by traditional financial institutions, are perhaps most vitally needed in Indian Country, where control of access to capital by federal and tribal governments hamstrings the private economy. The first Native CDFIs, such as the Lakota Fund on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, were launched two decades ago. Ten years later, however, only two of the 115 CDFIs federally certified by the CDFI Fund were Native organizations.

This slow development has exploded into exponential growth since then, so that now 36 of the 747 federally certified CDFIs are Native. And if last week's annual conference of the National Community Capital Association (NCCA–a network of more than 170 CDFIs) is any indication, continued growth is on the horizon.

"The field of Native CDFIs has grown tremendously and is continuing to grow--we had more than 20 different tribes represented at the NCCA conference that are somewhere in the process of starting CDFIs," said Elsie Meeks, executive director of the First Nations Oweesta Corporation. Oweesta is the only certified national Native CDFI intermediary, which acts as an umbrella organization for Native CDFIs. "What's driving this growth is the knowledge tribes are gaining about creating vehicles that can help them gain self-sufficiency for their tribal members and for the tribe."

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Development

From Page 1/ *Elderly Services gift store is young at heart*

That idea fell to the wayside as a special license and permit were needed. It was also determined that the elders liked to go out and pick up these small items when needed.

The store is open Monday through Friday 8 AM to noon and from 1 PM to 4 PM on Mondays. It is staffed by Skenandore and other volunteers stop in to help decorate the store or give Barbara a break.

The shop is looking for volunteers to help out with the store in any way. Laneva "KO" Hill is one of those much needed volunteers. She stops by usually once a day to see how Barbara is doing and she also helps out with decorations when needed.

"I enjoy stopping by and seeing the new items and to see if Barbara needs any assistance," Hill said. "Plus it's good company too."

The gift shop is also looking for artists who would like to sell their goods. Anyone over the age of 55 may bring in items to sell. Again, all money made will be returned 100% to the artist. No consignment fees.

Office Manager Claudia Skenandore said the store is a great avenue for the older people in the community to express their talents and to keep them busy.

"It gives the elders something to do," Claudia Skenandore said. "I would like to have more people in the store, but it has it's own little niche and getting too large might threaten that feel."

For more information, if you would like to volunteer or would like to sell some of your items in the store contact Barbara Skenandore from 8 AM to noon at 869-2448.

February fun at Elderly Services

By Sara Loken
Americorps VISTA Volunteer for Elderly Services

Valentine's Day is just around the corner. Celebrate Valentine's with your friends at Elderly Services on February 14th from 11:00 to 2:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. There will be games, door prizes, a Luscious Lip Contest, and a chance to win a lunch date with Elderly Services staff and surprise guests from the Community. For more information on the Valentine's Party call Cindy at **869-2448.**

Mondays and Thursdays in February there will be P.A.C.E exercise at Elderly Services starting at 10:00 a.m. P.A.C.E is an exercise program designed for people with arthritis and is done while seated.

Bingo will be held Mondays at Site II starting at 1:00 p.m. However, there is an exception Monday the 6th when there will be a movie for the elders at Elderly Services instead. Bingo will also be played on Wednesdays in February at the Highway H facility starting at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday the 28th Bingo will also be held at Epworth Hall from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. with lunch to follow.

On the 8th and 22nd there will be an opportunity to learn the Oneida Language at Elderly Services beginning at 10:00 a.m. Then, Thursday the 9th and 23rd the elders will be off to Ashwaubenon Lanes for bowling after lunch at 1:30 p.m.

Fridays are shopping days! The Elderly Services bus will bring the elders to breakfast at the Senior Center, to their banks, shopping at Walmart and then out to lunch. Call Elderly Services for information on how to sign up and go along.

As always Oneida Elderly Services wishes everyone a safe and happy February.

Gift Shop at Elderly Complex

Elderly Services Complex, 2907 Overland Rd.

Check out our shop!



Meet our friendly Elder Helper, Barbara Skenandore and our new Elder Volunteer, Judy Cornelius

Gifts and Crafts all hand made by our Elders, fresh popcorn, soda, water and greeting cards for sale

CALL FOR ELDERS:
- If you have a hour or two to spare, call us to sign up to volunteer.
- Elderly, age 55 and older, inquire to display your arts and crafts in our store.

Operating Hours:
Mon.–Fri.: 8 – Noon
And NOW with our new volunteer, we're also open
Monday afternoon from 1:00 – 4:00PM

Our mission is to assist our elders to maintain an independent, healthy, productive and quality lifestyle through love, caring and respect by the services we provide.

For more information, contact:
Michelle Cottrell, Elderly Services – 869-2448.

Environmental

The Oneida Lake Project History: How did we get here?

The Oneida have depended on Duck Creek for food since their arrival in the area in 1822. The spring fishing outing on Duck Creek served several purposes, to mark the seasonal transition from winter to spring, to provide a social gathering time for Oneida families to visit and to gather fish for subsistence. As Nelson Metoxen said, "The river which was Duck Creek would look like a big city at night with all the lights and fires burning."

As the region surrounding Duck Creek and the larger Fox River watershed became home to industries, the creek's ability to support healthy fish populations began to decline. The fish themselves became unsafe to eat as paper factories along the Fox River released PCBs into the river between 1954 and 1971. The PCBs traveled throughout the water systems of Green Bay including Duck Creek and entered the food chain reducing populations of waterfowl, eagles and minks and making the fish unsafe to consume. The first fish consumption advisory was issued in 1971.

Duck Creek is currently in a long-term clean up process. With time and effort all are hoping that Duck Creek will again be a source of food and pride for the Oneida. Meanwhile, Pat Pelky notes, "Building a fishing lake now for the Oneida Nation will allow the tribe to rebuild an important tradition before it is lost."

Knowing that it may well take decades to clean up Duck Creek, the Oneida began in the mid 1980's to consider the option of building a fishing lake. With a lake in place the Oneida tribal members can continue the Oneida fishing tradition and pass on the cultural uses of natural resources to those growing up during the time when Duck Creek is not available. In 1987 the Oneida adopted a comprehensive plan for the Nation that included a recommendation that the tribe build a fishing lake. The 1987 Comprehensive Plan states as a goal: Acquire Lands - For the purpose of developing an 80-200 acre lake for the outdoor recreation needs of the tribal membership. Exactly how to accomplish this goal was a big question until the mid 1990's.

In the mid 1990s the Environmental Resource Board learned that the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department of Justice were considering a Natural Resource Damage Assessment for the Fox River Watershed. The ERB asked a staff member to look into how much the Oneida had been injured by the contamination of the Fox River watershed. By the late 1990's it was determined that the Oneida had been injured and it would be beneficial to the tribe to seek compensation in the form of a NRDA project.

The NRDA seeks to determine ways to restore natural resources (fish, wildlife, land, water, etc.) that have been injured by hazardous substances. Injuries may include death or destruction of natural resources, and the loss of resource availability to the public that can occur when fish and wildlife become too contaminated to eat safely. The parties responsible for contamination and injuries must compensate the public for the losses and help restore the natural resources through funding or direct action.

As part of the Fox River cleanup project, several of the companies identified as historically responsible for the release of PCBs into the Fox River have made NRDA agreements to fund a number of natural resource restoration projects in the Fox River Valley and surrounding areas. These projects range from preserving habitat for wildlife to constructing environmental education centers and nature trails to studying the feasibility of reintroducing wild rice in certain areas of the state.

In 2003 The Fox River/Green Bay Natural Resource Trustee Council was formed and the Oneida Tribe became one of the co-trustees. The Trustee Council is made up of delegates from each of the intergovernmental Trustee partners and has been organized to direct restoration implementation. Other Trustees members are the State of Wisconsin, the State of Michigan, the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin and the United States Departments of the Interior and Commerce, represented by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. The Trustee Council has decided to meet annually to evaluate restoration progress and to discuss and direct restoration priorities under the Joint Restoration Plan. The Oneida Lake project is one of the many NRDA projects currently underway in the Fox River watershed.

ACTIVE CIP Projects – Communication Plans

Submitted by Engineering Department
(Part I of II)

The Project information will be communicated to the community and staff as follows:

a. Weekly status reports – Monday 8:30 AM at LBDC conference room (Project Manager)
b. Community Meetings – *(as noted below)* (Project Manager)
c. Quarterly reports in: (Senior Tribal Architect)
 – DRUMS
 – Gaming Gazette (will note which edition of Kalihwisaks report is published in)
 – HRD Communicator (via e-mail to supervisors)
 – Kalihwisaks
d. Ground breaking and dedication ceremonies scheduled with the events coordinator (Project Manager / Business Unit Manager)
e. Periodic articles in the Kalihwisaks based upon the specific needs of the project. (Project Manager)
f. Periodic updates at the Business Unit Informational Meetings (Senior Tribal Architect)

All CIP Projects will be developed employing a process of development consisting of four (4) distinct phases, as noted below:

Project Phases:	Phase Titles:	Phase Description:	% of Project:
CIP - 1	CIP Package assembly phase	The Project Team assemblies the specific project information into a package for approval of project.	0 to 25%
CIP - 2	Project Approval phase	The CIP Package is routed to review entities for comment and finally presented to OBC for approval.	26 to 35%
CIP - 3	Design phase	The Architect designs building and prepares documents defining the scope of work for contractors to bid on.	36 to 65%
CIP - 4	Construction phase	The project is bid and constructed.	66 to 100%

04-022	7/23/04	Oneida Public Transit Garage	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	36%	$5,600,000	To be determined, contingent upon grant funding cycles.
	The project will create a facility to house Transit's buses and vans. It will include some support spaces. It is anticipated that the majority of the funding for this project will come from federal transportation grants.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-006	6/2/05	Buffalo Observation Shelter	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	66%	$44,000 Applying for Grant.	To be determined.
	This project will provide a buffalo observation shelter that is accessible to all persons including those with limited mobility, on a raised portion of the site and will provide a unique vantage point for visitors to observe the buffalo.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-009	FY05	Mason Street Casino Bar	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 2	33%	$821,100	To be determined.
	The project would replace the existing temporary bar located within the facility. The bar and grill offer beer, wine, an array of liquors, and casual food menu. The bar will provide ambiance, menu selection and service to enhance our diversification to our casino guests and keep them in the facility longer, thus increasing revenue.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-011	2/14/05	Oneida Law Enforcement Center Remodel	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	1%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project will include minor remodeling and a new site sign. The project scope is being defined as the CIP Package is assembled.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						

05-012	3/2/05	Elder Garages & Driveways	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	20%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project would add garages and paved driveways on Oneida elders property to make it safer for them to move from the vehicle to their home.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
05-013	3/2/05	Elder Services / Apartment Improvements	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	20%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project would include adding garages for the apartment residents, installing a surveillance system for the common areas, and enhancing the landscaping.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
05-014 thru 05-021	FY05	Gaming Building Renovations	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-3 & 4	varies	$1,724,771	varies
	The project includes various maintenance and minor repair projects at the main casino, IMAC, and Mason Street Casino. Projects include: roof replacement, carpet replacement, asphalt repair, toilet room remodeling.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-024	5/16/05	OCHC - Fitting Station	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 2	34%	Estimated $119,500	Estimated Substantial Completion: July 2006
	The project will construct a garage that will be used for storing car seats, educating and demonstrating the proper installation of children's car seats. The fitting station will serve as a one stop shop for storage, installation, and education.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						

05-025	9/2/05	NHC Remodeling - Phase V	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-4	66%	$1,207,800	Estimated Substantial Completion: Nov. 2006
	The project is a continuation of the upgrading of the building to current building codes and creating operating efficiencies of building systems. Phase V will mainly consist of replacing the existing steam boilers with hot water boilers and other work associated with the replacement. Replacement will provide better energy efficiency.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
06-001	10/18/05	Tribal Building Restoration	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	1%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project will restore this historically significant building to allow it to be used for community related programs and services.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						

Questions regarding a specific project can be directed to the Engineering Department's Project Manager listed above.

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Native CDFIs at the conference include Four Directions Development Corporation of Orono, Maine; Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement of Honolulu; Navajo Partnership for Housing of Gallup, New Mexico; and Lummi Development Authority of Bellingham, Washington.

"For so long we've had to rely on the federal government in hopes that they fulfill their promises," Ms. Meeks told SocialFunds.com. "We're finally taking these things into our own hands and using tools that non-Native communities have used for a long time."

"I see CDFIs as a way to make structural changes in how Native communities can advance their own interests," added Ms. Meeks. "The next question is, how?"

That is a project Ms. Meeks has been working on since 1986, when she helped start the Lakota Fund with the mission of establishing a private sector economy on Pine Ridge, which had never been done before in Indian Country according to Ms. Meeks. As with many other tribes, lack of community-owned businesses sapped the government money funneling onto the reservation right back out into the border towns, perpetuating cycles of poverty and disenfranchisement. Native-owned businesses could reverse these cycles, placing ownership and control back in the reservation communities, and CDFIs could provide the capital and technical assistance necessary to support the startup of such locally grown business.

"For many people, this is their first credit opportunity, so when you start operating a CDFI in the community, it's about behavioral change--teaching people financial education and how to operate a successful business, which is hard under any circumstances," said Ms. Meeks. "Operationally, it's tough work because the everyday crises prevent you from moving forward in a bigger way--Native CDFIs have learned a lot of lessons about how not to make mistakes."

"The progress I see at Pine Ridge in the Lakota Fund and what we've learned, honestly, has taken about 20 years to figure out--we've only just recently started taking a more systematic and structural approach," she added. "I don't know that we really got it as an overall system until the last year or two."

Ms. Meeks remains chair of the Lakota Fund, but she now focuses her attention primarily on Oweesta, which promotes Native-owned asset building through three program areas: technical assistance and consulting; capitalization; and research, policy, and advocacy. Capitalization is perhaps the most challenging aspect for Native CDFIs, even for tribes with significant casino revenues.

"Just because a tribe has gaming operations doesn't mean their CDFIs are more capitalized than tribes without gaming" explained Ms. Meeks. "We've been trying to get tribes with substantial gaming revenues to recognize that CDFIs are a great way to invest back into their communities, but CDFIs are new enough that they're not even on their radar screens--these tribes are busy trying to provide healthcare and so many other things that have been at a deficit for so long."

Meanwhile, federal funds are diminishing, and foundations are experiencing "funder fatigue," so Native CDFIs are increasingly looking for other capital sources – including socially responsible investing (SRI).

"SRI support is absolutely key," said Ms. Meeks. "The whole CDFI movement really started with the premise that there are people with money that want to get a return by investing it in helping develop communities."

"I don't think we've tapped these sources to the degree we hoped," she concluded. "There's much more out there, we just have to figure out how to bring it in."

This article was reprinted per the request of Carol Silva of the Trust Department.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Amendments to the OPEN RECORDS AND OPEN MEETINGS Law to specify the Tribal Secretary role as custodian of the OBC & GTC documents and clarify the availability of draft laws and policies.

When: February 7, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this proposal are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

Oneida Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Laws Meeting

When: Tuesday, February 7, 2006
Time: 6:00p.m.-8:00p.m.
Where: Ridgeview Plaza Suite 4

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: To Adopt the Plumbing Code (New York Law). Pursuant to the Tribe's Land Claim Settlement Agreement with New York State this Code adopts the International Plumbing Code, 2003 edition, including Appendix Chapters, as published by the International Code Council.

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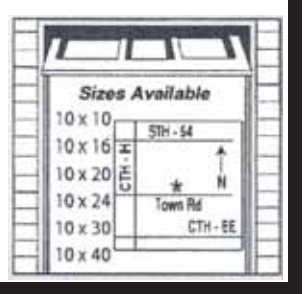
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Dream Home Open Houses

Tuesday, February 14, 2006
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Wednesday, February 15, 2006
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Application Deadline: Monday, February 20, 2006 • 4:30 P.M.



1050 Pleasant Lane • Green Bay, WI 54313

This home is approximately 17 years old with an effective age of 10 years and offers 3,804 square feet of living space. This spacious ranch home has 3 plus bedrooms, 3 full bathrooms, 1 half bathroom, 3 stall attached garage, laundry room on first floor, and central air. Large kitchen with island and beamed, vaulted ceilings. Vaulted ceiling and fieldstone wood burning fireplace in living room. Loft and master bedroom, with private deck on second floor. Finished walkout basement with carpeting and ceramic tile. Interior completely repainted and decks re-stained, new roof, new windows, new furnace & central air, new carpeting and a new water softener. Land is gorgeously landscaped. Includes 12 x 16 garden shed.

Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$6,055.00** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$260,000.00	5% Down Payment:	$13,000.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 13,000.00	Closing Costs:	$ 4,145.00
Mortgage Loan:	**$247,000.00**	**Cash Due at Closing:**	**$17,145.00**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($247,000.00 amortized for 25 yrs. @ 3%): $1,171.30
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $ 523.98
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$1,695.28**

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2590 Indian Hill Drive • Green Bay, WI 54313

This home is approximately 27 years old with an effective age of 15 years. The home offers 1,840 square feet of living space. This is a Bi level home with an attached 2 car garage, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and a family room. Special features: Dishwasher, garbage disposal, central air, fireplace and a large deck with 2 sets of patio doors, one off the dining room and one off the living room.

Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$2,352.00** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$108,000.00	5% Down Payment:	$5,400.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 5,400.00	Closing Costs:	$1,989.00
Mortgage Loan:	**$102,600.00**	**Cash Due At Closing:**	**$7,389.00**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($102,600.00 amortized for 25 yrs. @ 3%): $486.54
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $171.93
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$658.47**

Directions to home: From Land Management go West on Hwy 172 to Hwy 54., turn right on Hwy 54 Continue to Packerland Dr. (Approximately 4 miles) turn left on Packerland Dr., continue to Indian Hill Dr., turn Left on Indian Hill Dr., and the house will be on the right side of the road.

For further information, including directions and maps for the homes, contact the Finance Department at:

470 Airport Drive • Oneida, WI 54155

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431 Hillcrest Drive • Green Bay, WI 54313

This Tri level home is approximately 16 years old with an effective age of 8 years. The home offers 4,100 square feet of living space. This is a beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bathroom home with an attached 3 1/2 car garage. Special features include: dishwasher, garbage disposal, fireplace, laundry room, fenced in in-ground pool, pool house, six panel interior doors, patio, central air.

Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$5,670.50** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$661,000.00	5% Down Payment:	$33,050.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 33,050.00	Closing Costs:	$10,365.00
Mortgage Loan:	**$627,950.00**	**Cash Due At Closing:**	**$43,415.00**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($ 627,950.00 amortized for 50 yrs. @ 1%): $1,330.37
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $ In Trust
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$1,330.37**

Directions to home: From Land Management take Hwy 172 West until Hwy 54 turn right on Hwy 54 and drive approximately five miles to County Rd. FF. Turn left on County FF and the house will be approximately 1.5 miles on the right side of County FF. The home will have a long drive way.



1965 Belmont Drive • Green Bay, WI 54313

This 1/2 of a duplex is approximately 25 years old with an effective age of 15 years and offers 1,508 square feet of living space. This is a two story home with an attached 2 car garage, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bathrooms and a family room. Special features: Dishwasher, garbage disposal, central air, fireplace, patio and a fence.

Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$2,084.00** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$97,500.00	5% Down Payment:	$4,875.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 4,875.00	Closing Costs:	$1,947.50
Mortgage Loan:	**$92,625.00**	**Cash Due At Closing:**	**$6,822.50**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($76,000.00 amortized for 25 yrs. @ 3%): $439.24
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $144.21
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$583.45**

Directions to home: From Land Management take Hwy 172 East to Packerland Dr. Turn left on Packerland Dr and continue until Zak Avenue. Turn right on Zak Avenue and continue until Belmont Drive. Take a left on Belmont Drive. The house will be on the right hand side of the street.



1967 Belmont Drive • Green Bay, WI 54313

This 1/2 of a duplex is approximately 25 years old with an effective age of 15 years and offers 1,296 square feet of living space. This is a two story home with an attached 1 car garage, 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths and a family room. Special features: Dishwasher, garbage disposal, central air, patio and a fence.

Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$2,044.00** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$95,000.00	5% Down Payment:	$4,750.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 4,750.00	Closing Costs:	$1,920.00
Mortgage Loan:	**$90,250.00**	**Cash Due At Closing:**	**$6,670.00**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($76,000.00 amortized for 25 yrs. @ 3%): $427.98
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $144.21
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$572.19**

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Awards honor community members



Kali photo/Phil Wisneski

Loretta Webster gives a brief thank you speech after accepting the Lifetime Achievement Award.

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

Giving recognition to the unheralded and unassuming yet most deserving people is what the Community Service Awards Program is all about according the Oneida Amvets. It was held on February 2, 2006 at Doxbees Supper Club in Seymour. The program is designed to give support and applause to the heart and soul of the Oneida community. The award winners go above and beyond their normal duty, but yet these individuals don't hesitate to do even more. These traits are what make all the 2005 award winners special and vital to the Oneida community.

Winners include: Elder of the Year - Carol Robelia, Lifetime Achievement Award - Loretta Webster, Medical Health Awards - The Community Health Staff of Marguerite Bork, Vicki Johnson, Karen Nolan and Neva Archiquette, Social Services Award - Rhonda Tousey. Courage and Leadership Award - Lea Zeise, Educator of the Year - Anita Barber, Caretaker of the Land - Mary Jo Nash, Law Enforcement Award - All Oneida Police Officers, Gaming Employee of the Year - Jill Green, Customer Service Award - James Bruce Smith, Volunteer of the Year - Bill Cooper. All winners received certificates of acknowledgment and numerous other gifts.

Along with the awards two scholarships were awarded. The Cherisse A. Slove

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Amvets Awards

Youth honored at annual Pow Wow





Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

There was a tremendous turn out for the annual Honor the Youth Pow Wow held at the Oneida Nation Elementary School Saturday, February 4th. There were 105 dancers including 45 Tiny Tots, 35 Color Guards and 17 drum groups with host drum Medicine Rock from Lac Du Flambeau. Medicine Rock consisted mostly of young men ages 10 to 15.

Above: Don McLester and grandson Jacob lead out twin brothers Ashton and Zander during an intertribal dance.

Left: Girls fancy dancer Tianna Hackett goes into a spin.

Indian law experts say politics may curb casinos

MILWAUKEE (AP) - A lobbying scandal in Washington, D.C., and efforts to curb new off-reservation casinos could harm the chances for casino proposals in Wisconsin, experts in American Indian law say.

Federal approval of any off-reservation casino is unlikely in the next three years, said Eric Eberhard, a Seattle lawyer with an extensive tribal gaming practice. He noted such proposals have languished under President Bush.

Making the situation worse for casinos is a scandal involving lobbyist Jack Abramoff, who has pleaded guilty to federal charges stemming from schemes to bribe public officials and defraud Indian tribes who were his lobbying clients,

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Casino politics

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Recovering our seeds, land, relationships

By Sherrole Benton
Special to the Kalihwisaks

Many Native people gathered at the 3rd Annual Indigenous Farming Conference, Feb. 2-5th, to encourage each other and plan for greater independent and organic food production on their reservations. For Indigenous people, the best way to protect their own land, seeds, wildlife, and foods is through their cultural heritage and sovereign power as nations.

The event was possible due to the many sponsors that provided the support needed to host such a successful event. The Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, White Earth Land Recovery Project, Tsyunhhkw<, Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council, and the Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems sponsored the 3rd Indigenous Farming Conference, (IFC) in Oneida, WI. The IFC brings Indigenous communities together to share projects, increase traditional knowledge about traditional agriculture, share seeds, learn about resources, and create an Indigenous Agricultural Network.

During IFC's film festival, attendees saw how huge agricultural corporations use "genetically modified organism" (GMO) technology to change seeds, plants and wildlife. The corporations, like Monsanto and Dow Chemical, and their GMO products are a threat to Indigenous communities.

"I'm interested in how we reaffirm our relationship to the Creator through our songs, our ceremonies, and how we live our lives," Winona LaDuke said during her opening speech of the conference. Her message for native people is

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Farm Conference



photo courtesy of Sherrole Benton

Winona LaDuke was the key note speaker at the Indigenous Farming Conference held last week at the Radisson.

Cayugas pay taxes to advance trust application process

Auburn, N.Y. (AP) Seneca and Cayuga counties will lose millions of dollars and be prevented from enforcing laws if the Cayuga Indian Nation of New York is allowed to put its lands into federal trust, officials said Friday.

The counties made their arguments to the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, submitting reports that showed in the first year they would lose about $85,000 combined in property tax revenue.

Depending on the rate of tax growth, those yearly losses could climb to as much as $15 million between the two counties.

Friday was the deadline for the counties and the state to file opposition statements to the Cayuga's trust application.

The New York Cayugas have applied to put all their land holdings in the two counties into federal trust, which if approved, would make them exempt from taxes, local laws and zoning regulations.

On Thursday, the tribe paid more than $178,000 in delinquent and current property taxes, a required step in the application process. Until then, the Cayugas had refused to pay taxes, maintaining their land should be tax-free because it lies in their ancestral homeland in both counties.

"The issue is not the taxes past due, but the taxes that will never be paid if the land is taken into trust," said Robert Shipley, chairman of the Seneca County Board of Supervisors.

The tribe owns high-stakes video gaming halls, which they have temporarily closed, and combination gas stations and convenience stores in Seneca Falls and Union Springs. The Cayugas also own a car wash, a campground and two parcels of vacant land.

Shipley said the counties also lose sales tax revenue from the Cayugas' businesses. It cost Seneca County alone about $200,000 in lost sales tax revenues in 2005, he said.

Putting the Cayuga's land

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Trust Land

Local

FACE children honored with star quilts



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Mothers, fathers and grandparents created star quilts for their children in the FACE program and presented the hand made blankets on Wednesday, February 9th. This was the first time sewing for many of the participants. According to the volunteer project leader Jodell Crawford, receiving a star quilt from a relative is a great honor in the tradition of the Dakota people. The quilts were given to the children to honor them and to give them encouragement.

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to look at ways to recover what was lost, and to restore their land, wildlife, relationships and communities.

LaDuke is an Anishinaabeg (Ojibwe) enrolled member of the Mississippi Band of Anishinaabeg and is the mother of three children. She is the Executive Director of Honor the Earth and the Founding Director of White Earth Land Recovery Project (WELRP).

LaDuke reminded everyone that the Creator gave Indigenous people stories and instructions along with the gifts of food and medicines. The story of the three sisters: corn, beans, and squash, is an example of the Creator's gifts and sacrifices for the Haudenosaunee people. Among the Anishinaabeg people, the wild rice and fish are important spiritual gifts.

"We've separated ourselves, increasingly, from how we (use to) live," LaDuke said. Returning to natural, organic, and traditional foods, "is a process of 'de-colonizing' yourself and saying, 'What is it we're going to do to transform ourselves and our communities?' It involves re-thinking, learning, and re-learning," she said. People are spending too much money off the reservation, and too much money on bad food, she added

"It's a lot of work to grow one's own garden, gather berries, teas, fish and hunt, and then preserve those foods for the coming months ahead. But, it's an important step to take to re-connect to those who grow the food, the ancestors, each other and the Creator, and to the cycles of life. It's also another step to take toward exercising sovereignty as nations."

LaDuke said the White Earth tribal council passed one of the first anti-GMO's ordinances in the country, specifically for the protection of the wild rice. She encouraged other tribes to also adopt ordinances to protect their native seeds and traditional foods from powerful agricultural corporations. She informed the audience that the "Indigenous Peoples Council on Bio-colonialism," has model ordinances that tribes can adopt to protect their seeds, plants, and foods.

"This issue of genetically engineered crops affects our heirloom seeds and plant varieties which are part of our cultural heritage of our nations. It is the right of a nation is to exercise jurisdiction," LaDuke said. "Try to keep them out of your territory, or regulate them."

Being able to control one's own food source is empowering for the individual and for tribes. "You can't talk about sovereignty if you can't feed your people," she said. Only people who are truly independent and capable of producing their own foods are also capable of being sovereign.

LaDuke suggests that native communities need to create mission statements that says tribes want to feed their own community, they want to keep their food local, they want to be in charge of it, and they want to know what they're growing.

"It gets back to this essential thing: that food is sacred. It is one of the most sacred gifts ever given us by the Creator. Those foods are medicine, all the good stuff that's in our traditional foods is what we need to challenge diabetes or other health issues" she said.

In that way we recover our relationship to ourselves, to those who grow and harvest it, to our ancestors, and to the continuum of life.

"We need to get back in that continuum. That's how we restore our relationship to the one another and to the Creator," LaDuke said.

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Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Robin Martinez. The Roberta Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship was received by Jeanette King. King has a 4.0 grade point average and is pursuing a degree in nursing. She has dedicated her education to her son that past away at the age of three.

The final award was given to the John family. They were recognized for the years of service in the armed forces. Between five family members over 77 years of military service was accumulated.

Many of the award winners were very emotional in accepting their awards. Mary Jo Nash of the Department of Land Management received an even more rousing applause for her hard work and dedication. Her hard work has returned over 7,800 acres of the Oneida Nation Reservation to the Oneida Nation. According to Fred Muscavitch, Director of Land Management, this accounts for about 29% of the reservation.

Master of Ceremonies Lloyd Powless kept the audience of over 300 community members on their toes with his quick jokes and snappy remarks. He did a good job at keeping the show moving, but also took the time to make sure each award winner received his or her recognition.

Also in attendance was the Amvets State Commander Dennis Barrington. He was invited by the Oneida Amvets and graciously accepted.

"This was a great evening for the community," Barrington said. "It's nice to see this kind of support." meeting.

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CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is a national model that mobilizes the community to share resources, ideas, and information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, and U.S. Dept. of Justice. This program is funded in part by a Diversity Program Development Initiative Grant from the division of Outreach and E-Learning Extension of the University of Wisconsin-Extension. Additional special funding from the Oneida Planning Department and coordination efforts by Youth Enrichment Services made this event complete.

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Local

Passing On

Cornelius, Lois A.

August 3, 1926 – February 7, 2006

Lois A. Cornelius, age 79, of N8706 Maplewood, Bowler, died on Tuesday, February 7, 2006, at her home.

Born on Aug. 3, 1926, at Big Lake in the Town of Red Springs, she was the daughter of the late Elmer and Eureka (Jourdan) Davids, Sr. She worked in the Sturgeon Bay shipyards during World War II and spent most of her life living in Shawano County. She worked as a teacher's aide in the Bowler School District for many years. She loved flowers and plants, clipping news items from area newspapers, feeding birds and squirrels in her yard, campfires, playing the organ and just collecting things.

She married Norrin "Joe" Cornelius at Mission Lake in the Town of Red Springs on Aug. 31, 1947. She is a member at the Lutheran Church of the Wilderness.

She is survived by her husband, Joe; children, Dr. Carol Cornelius of Oneida, Jody (Aleta) Cornelius of Oneida, Norma (James) Flauger of Gresham, Dr. Neil (Lorraine) Cornelius of Oneida, Reva (Robert) Fuhrman of Wausau, Norrin (Teri) Cornelius, Jr. of Oneida, Lowell Cornelius, Sr. of Bowler, Carmen Cornelius (Pete Powless) of Bowler; 40 grandchildren and 47 great-grandchildren. She is further survived by six brothers and sisters, Dorothy Davids of Gresham, Marion (Robert) Shubinski of Berwyn, Ill., Glen (Marky) Davids, Sr. of Bowler, Elmer (Donna) Davids, Jr. of Milwaukee, Corinne Kroening of Marion and Bruce Davids of Bowler plus many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Dotty Cornelius; two grandchildren; and two sisters, Bernice Miller-Pigeon and Margaret Raasch.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Friday, February 10, 2006 at the Lutheran Church of the Wilderness, Moh He Con Nuck Road, Bowler. Burial followed in the Stockbridge Indian Burial Grounds.

Swedberg Funeral Home of Shawano, assisted the family with arrangements.

Red Lake prosecutor Heffelfinger to resign Feb. 28

Minneapolis (AP) – Two weeks after presenting the findings of a school shooting investigation that may define his term as Minnesota's top prosecutor, Tom Heffelfinger announced Tuesday that he will step down at the end of the month to return to private practice.

Heffelfinger, appointed as U.S. Attorney for Minnesota shortly after the Sept. 11 attacks, was in the news most recently for his office's investigation into the shooting deaths of 10 people on the Red Lake Indian Reservation on March 21, 2005.

However, Heffelfinger told WCCO-AM that the shooting didn't play a role in his decision to step down. Heffelfinger was criticized by some families last month for not sharing more information about the investigation that followed the shooting.

"The relationship at Red Lake and the work with the people up there has been one of the things of which I have been most proud," Heffelfinger said. "We accomplished some really positive things up there over the last five years."

Last month, Heffelfinger went to the American Indian reservation in far northern Minnesota to present some of the results of his office's investigation to the families of victims and tribal officials.

Although he did not make the findings public, relatives who saw the presentation said Heffelfinger told them that up to 39 people had some sort of advance warning of 16-year-old Jeff Weise's plans to open fire at Red Lake High School.

Weise killed his grandfather and grandfather's girlfriend, before heading to the high school where he killed seven people, before killing himself. The only person prosecuted was Louis Jordain, 17, the son of the tribal chairman. The teen admitted to exchanging threatening communications with Weise.

The reservation is a sovereign nation, so crimes committed there are tried in federal court, rather than by state authorities.

In a news release, Heffelfinger said he tried to balance a prosecutor's traditional role of crime fighting with the added responsibilities of fighting terrorism.

He told WCCO-AM that after he leaves, Attorney General Alberto Gonzales will put in an interim replacement until President Bush appoints a new U.S. Attorney for Minnesota.

Heffelfinger said he expected the entire process would take six to nine months.

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Eberhard said.

Still, backers of three off-reservation casino proposals in Wisconsin say they remain committed to working toward getting approval from the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The three off-reservation casino proposals are: the Menominee tribe's $808 million casino plan for Kenosha; a plan by the Bad River and St. Croix Chippewa bands for a $200 million casino in Beloit; and the Lac du Flambeau Chippewa tribe's $110 million casino plan in Shullsburg.

Bruce Greene, a Boulder, Colo.-based Indian law expert, said the Abramoff scandal heightened concern over tribal casinos.

"I don't think the climate is going to support any expanded gaming efforts by tribes," he said.

U.S. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., has argued Congress never intended Indian gambling to grow into Las Vegas-style operations bringing in almost $20 billion a year.

McCain, chairman of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee, is pushing to strengthen the Indian gaming act by making Indian gaming more transparent and increasing the safeguards to protect patrons.

U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers, R-Mich., recently introduced a bill to impose a two-year moratorium on new tribal casinos.

Greene said McCain's proposal will likely inhibit federal action on pending casino plans.

A spokesman for the Menominee tribe, Evan Zeppos, said changing the rules for proposals that already are developed would be unfair.

Existing rules already require extensive public review and local support and have not allowed off-reservation casinos to proliferate, he said.

Only three off-reservation casinos nationally have met all required approvals since 1988. One of those casinos was the Forest County Potawatomi's Milwaukee casino.

Tribes nationwide have proposed 10 off-reservation casinos, including the three from Wisconsin, said George Skibine, the Bureau of Indian Affairs official in charge of reviewing the plans.

Tribes seeking federal recognition or restoration of tribal status have proposed a similar number of casino plans.

Skibine said he didn't think the way his agency looked at off-reservation casino plans has changed in the current political atmosphere.

"We just implement the law that's on the books now," Skibine said

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into trust status also would result in a "checkerboarding" effect and "serious jurisdiction problems and conflicts of land use," the counties said in their report.

A public hearing on the trust application is scheduled March in Seneca Falls.

The Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma, a co-plaintiff in the land claim, owns a 239-acre farm in Aurelius. It pays taxes on the property but has not applied to put the land into trust.

A federal appeals court last year dismissed the Cayugas' land claim to some 64,000 acres in both counties and nullified a $247.9 million court awarded jointly to the two tribes. The court said the tribes waited too long to reclaim the land.

The U.S. Justice Department has joined the Cayugas in petitioning the U.S. Supreme Court to review the circuit court decision.

"Can You Show Me..."

An orientation at Oneida Family Fitness

"How do I get started?"
"How does this machine work?"
"What's the best exercise for me?"

The staff at Oneida Family Fitness will be happy to assist members and guests by answering these and other questions with an orientation at Oneida Family Fitness. Orientations are the best way to become familiar with the exercise equipment. Most orientations take approximately 30-60 minutes. Orientations can be tailored toward your interest. We offer orientations on strength training machines, free weight use, and cardiovascular machines such as treadmills, recumbent bikes, and elliptical machines.

Why get an Orientation?

Orientations help staff meet the exercise needs of members/guests. No two members are alike, so an orientation can be tailored to meet your needs. An orientation is an opportunity for members/guests to be shown more information on topics such as nutrition and weight management. During orientations, members/guests are given the correct ways to use weight machines or cardiovascular equipment. The biggest benefit to having an orientation is the knowledge obtained from the fitness staff.

Orientations Cards

One of the first things you will receive during your orientation is a program card. The program card is for members/guests to record what exercises were performed and what level of resistance used. The card is a great way of keeping track of individual progress. Each card has space for writing down the equipment used and at what level machines are set.

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Weight room exercises

Most weight room orientations have three major muscle exercises. These exercises are: chest press (Press), an upright row (Pull), and a leg press (Push). When receiving an orientation, members/guests will be shown how to properly perform each of these exercises. They will be shown the proper way to adjust equipment, change resistance on equipment, and how to operate cardiovascular machines such as recumbent bikes, elliptical machines, and treadmills.

The Oneida Family Fitness staff welcome you to visit their facility and encourage everyone to have an orientation. Stop in. We'll be happy to show you around.

Please see additional Family Fitness Highlights in this issue of the Kalihwisaks on page 7A

In Loving Memory of

Rafael R. Alicea

who passed away 1 year ago on Feb. 22, 2005

Grandpa Alicea...

My grandpa entered Heaven's gates
on February 22, 2005.
He felt the brush of angels' wings
as he entered into the sky.



He left behind a family
still shedding their solemn tears,
and a heart-broken wife
whom he loved for many years.

Without him here, I feel like
my days shouldn't go on,
but I hear grandpa's voice saying,
"It's ok, Sara, stay strong."

Throughout all his years he was a gracious man.
He was always there to lend anyone a hand.

I remember he loved to eat,
and he loved to cook.
He would use recipes
that aren't found in books.

He also loved to fish.
Sitting on the side of the lake,
Patiently waiting for naive fish to take his bait.

But he was a Fisher of Men
which was most important.
Taught God's word to his family,
so their faith became abundant.

My heart aches to see him again,
but I know he's in a better place.
Where he can live for eternity,
and look Jesus face to face.

Now he looks down upon us from way up above,
Watching over our family sending us his love.

~ By Sara Wisneski

Forever Loved...
by his Children and Grandchildren

In Loving Memory of

Dawn M. Skenandore

who left us 10 years ago



We thought of you today
with love,
But that is nothing new.

We thought of you yesterday
and the days before that
too....

We think of you in silence...
We often speak your name.
Now all we have are memories,
with which we will never part.

God has you in his keeping...
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Kidney transplant a success for sisters



Photos Submitted by Marni King

Sheila Otto and Relia Price at UW Hospital.

By Dawn Walschinski
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Sheila Otto feels ten years younger since receiving a kidney from her sister Relia Price at University of Wisconsin Hospital in Madison January 19th.

"I feel like I've got more life to me," said Otto.

Otto suffered from polycystic kidney disease, a hereditary condition where cysts grew on her kidneys and took over the organs causing them to lose function.

Otto had been undergoing dialysis treatments three days a week before Price stepped up to be an organ donor.

"I just told her there is no way I could ever thank her. She said that it was something she wanted to do and she was glad that she had." said Otto.

The donated organ went to work right away.

"Once my body realized it had a good kidney, in one day I lost 10 pounds from all the fluid that it was kicking out. They said I was an over achiever."

Otto is enjoying the new freedoms the kidney is giving her, large and small.

When on the dialysis treatments, she had been limited in the amount of liquid she could take in and forbidden to consume dairy products.

"I was always a big water drinker before, so it's nice to be able to keep a glass of water by me," she said.

She has replaced 12 hours a week of dialysis sessions with 18 pills taken daily and blood tests every three days.

"It just takes 10 minutes at the most and you're out of there and back home again." she said.

Best of all, Otto is free to travel now that she no longer needs dialysis sessions.

"It still seems unreal to think you can go where you want to go and nothing is going to hold you back from doing it," she said.

She hopes to visit Price in Colorado Springs so they can continue to catch up on old times.

"I really love Colorado, it's very beautiful, so I hope Sheila does come out," said Price.

Right now Otto is concentrating on recovering and writing numerous thank you notes for the fund raiser held January 7th which raised approximately $10,000.

"We didn't expect the people that showed up, and the people were still bringing things in for the auction after they got there. It was just amazing," said Otto.

Both Otto and Price had high praise for their daughters, Marni King and Erika Reddin, who helped them through a trying time.

"(Marni's) one of my best supporters. She did so much for the benefit and everything was just such a huge success," said Otto of her offspring.

"(Erika) was a big help to me mentally and physically coming home. The moral support was there with her," said Price of her daughter.

Price wants to spread the word about polycystic kidney disease which is called a silent killer.

"From speaking to the people at the hospital, it's something that's very common but little is known about it." she said.

The only symptom to the hereditary disease is high blood pressure when a person is in their thirties or forties. An ultrasound test done on the kidneys would reveal the presence of cysts, however there is currently no treatment or cure.

Otto's and Price's father Bennett King died at the age of 57 of polycystic kidney disease. Otto was the only one of 14 children to inherit the condition.

After going through the transplant process, Otto hopes more people will be willing to do what her sister has done for her.

"There's so many people that (a transplant) would help, and I know there's a lot of people that are waiting for kidneys." she said.



The names of people who have donated organs are set into a wall at the UW Hospital where the transplant was performed. Price's name will be added to the wall in six months.

Oneida Museum opens new exhibits



Photo by Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Museum re-opened Friday, February 10th and featured three new exhibits: Our Nation in Conflict: Iroquois Role in the Revolutionary War, Oneida Removal and Resettlement and The Works of Jim Hill. The exhibits were done in-house by Lydia Tallchief.
Above: Oakley Arnold leads Paula and Donald Miller on a tour of the new displays."I think these are wonderful. I think these are meaningful mix of current, past and present." said Paula.

The HRD Corner - The Screening Process Continued

The Screening Committee consists of::

- »Personnel Commission member
- »The position supervisor
- »The Area Manager (optional)
- ª HRD Representative

After the screening process is complete, applicants who have been screened out will receive notification that they have not been selected for an interview. However, NOT all qualified applicants may receive an interview. In some cases, the Screening Committee may decide NOT to interview all of the qualified applicants. This can happen for a number of reasons:

1) a large number of qualified applicants,
2) a highly, educated and/or experienced group within the qualified applicants, or
3) choosing a preferred category only.

Let's look at each of these reasons:

Large Number of Qualified Applicants- For some positions, the large number of qualified applicants to interview is not manageable or cost-effective. There can be 100+ qualified applicants for just one position. It is not a good use of resources to interview all of the qualified applicants. The Screening Committee may decide to decrease the number of interviews.

One of the ways to do this is by testing. [Example - If a position required good writing skills, then each qualified applicant could be asked to complete a writing sample. The Screening Committee might select only the top 10 applicants for an interview based on their writing samples. The candidates not chosen for an interview would receive a letter.]

Highly Educated and/or Experienced Applicants - During the screening process, the Screening Committee may have a group of highly educated and experienced applicants. For example, there may be 55 qualified applicants for a manager position. Forty of the 55 applicants just meet the minimum qualifications of a Bachelor's degree with two years experience. But 15 of the 55 applicants have Master's degrees with more than two years experience.

The Screening Committee may decide to only interview the 15 highly qualified applicants. The other 40 qualified applicants would get a letter stating they were not selected for an interview.

Preferred Category Only - The Screening Committee may have a large number of qualified applicants for a certain position. The Screening Committee may decide to decrease the number of interviews by only interviewing enrolled Oneidas. The applicants not meeting this preferred category would get a letter stating they were not selected for an interview.

Some might believe these decisions are so that supervisor or even HRD can pick and choose whomever they want or even play favorites. Actually, the goal of hiring is to find the best matched and most qualified applicant for the position, in a manageable and cost-effective manner.

Creation of a Pendelton

Submitted by Beth Bashara
Director of the Oneida Nation Arts Program

(Oneida, WI) - Oneida Retail and Joint Marketing are seeking an Oneida of Wisconsin artist to create the design for a new limited edition Pendelton blanket. The blanket design should reflect the unique qualities of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin and will have limited distribution.

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For more information or applications, please go to our web site at **www.oneidanationarts.org** or call **(920) 490-3833. Applications are due March 24, 2006** either in the ONAP office (1270 Packerland, cottages behind Fitness Center) or by mail to: **ONAP, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155.**

Caretakers Corner

The 2005 Caretaker of the Year Award was presented to Mary Jo Nash on Thursday, February 2, 2006 at Doxbee's Supper Club which was hosted by the Oneida Amvets. Dr. Frederick Muscavitch, Director of Land Management presented Mary Jo with the award and a pendleton blanket.

Mary Jo was nominated because of her dedication, commitment, and professionalism. Her contributions have resulted in a successful outcome to a multi-year effort of enormous importance. This acquisition is something of which we can all be truly proud. (Gollnick, 2005).

Mary Jo is very knowledgeable regarding land of the Oneida Reservation. She is committed to the continual efforts toward acquiring land and working with Land Commission. Over the past two years she has worked through the many avenues of politics in order to secure the Sanger B. Powers Reformatory. This was a major accomplishment that the Tribe has pursued for many years. Her success, for that alone, warrants this annual award of Caretaker of the Land.

In addition to her work, she also has quality time for her husband, and two children; her annual chili cook-off, her Las Vegas cribbage tournament; the West DePere Booster Club, traveling, baking, and golf.

In summary, I am honored to have this opportunity to pay this tribute to Mary Jo Nash, Caretaker of the Year. (Muscavitch, 2006).

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Pow Wow AA Group – All Welcome-Thursday's–8:00PM 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th. Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center–**383-9526.**

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The SEOTS office has a collection of movies and library books for check-out. A large selection of Native American books fiction and non-fiction. Books and movies can be checked-out free of charge. Also, please return any past due books or movies so we can update our library.

Attention All Community Members

Craft Class

The class is a continuation of the Doll Class from February. Participants that finish the class will have a doll dressed in a Iroquois women's outfit.

Date: Wednesday, March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29th
Time: 6 - 8pm
Place: Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street

The month of April we will be making a purse with Raised Beadwork on it.

It's Your Choice Program for Teens

It's Your Choice is a program directed to Middle and High School teens. Home work help is provided, along with guest speakers, field trips, extra-curricular activities, attendance incentives, evening meals and bus tickets are provided. Parents are welcome to attend. The program is facilitated by Oneida tribal member and MPS teacher Amy Tromp. This is a Healthy Lifestyle Education Program sponsored by the WE Indians of Milwaukee Public School Systems. It meets weekly on Tuesdays. For information Contact Dona Yahola, We Indians Program at **304-6121.**

Date: Tuesday, March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
Time: 4 - 6:30pm
Place: Seots, 2778 South 35th Street

Cultural Heritage

Cultural heritage class will hold two classes this month. Randy will conduct a class about the Clan System on Thursday, March 9th. If you have any questions about Oneida Culture and tradition this class may be of interest to you!

Date: Thursday, March 9th

Tentatively Class will also be held on March 23rd which we will present a topic about Women in History, since March is Women's History Month. Please call for final information about the class on the 23rd.

Time: 6:30 - 8pm
Place: Seots, 2778 South 35th Street

Oneida language class

Taught weekly (Saturdays)

Oneida Language class is taught weekly by teachers from Milwaukee and guest teachers from Oneida! Families and children are welcome! Language teacher Mark Powless would like to see you come with your children. Part of the class is planned for fun and easy learning for our children. They are our lifeblood for the Oneida language. Please try to attend!

Oneida language classes are taught at SEOTS on a weekly basis with Oneida instructors. You can also access the language program during the week on computers available at SEOTS.

Dates: Saturdays, March 4, 11, 18 & 25th
Time: 10am-12pm
Place: Seots

Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office

Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and information available to Veterans without an appointment once a month at SEOTS. Rodney is a counselor with the Vets Center. His specialty is working with war veterans and their families, although he will try to help any veteran with any questions they may have. The Vet's Center does with work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations in order to provide the best care for veterans. -- All Veteran's Are Welcome--

Date: Tuesday, March 7th
Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm
Place: SEOTS

Pow-wow Time

Indian Summer 15th Annual Winter Pow-wow

Wisconsin State Fair, Wisconsin Products Pavilion, March 4th and 5th - Doors open at 11am on both days, Grand Entries at 1 & 7pm, Saturday and Sunday at 1pm.

Tax Preparation Services

Tax preparation will not be prepared at the Seots office but can be prepared at four sites in the Milwaukee Area. Please call for information on the sites available. **384-7740**

FYI - Sweat Lodge

Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call **383-7072** and ask for Dona

Attention all Community Members

One of our young community members is in need of a "kidney transplant". Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. Its possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at **(414)385-2550**. Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who know's you may be a match?

Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Computer lab now available for use

Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Open lab every day and Saturday 9 - 12pm.

Oneida Singers

Oneida singers meet every Monday at 6:30pm at the SEOTS office. They are available for events and services. Please contact Mamie at **643-8972** or Seots **384-7740.**

Veterans

Support Our Veterans! Veterans have served our county since the Revolutionary War. They are also requesting that we support our Veterans where ever they are serving. The contact person for the Color Guard is Leon House **(414)543-1622.** *We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans. Keep up the good work!.*

MAIRN Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network Meeting

If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information about our community, such as: contacts, what's happening in Indian country regarding health, community education, and other important issues that affect our community. Guest speakers will present topics of interest and will share their resources that are available for the community. This is a must for area Indian agencies and businesses.

Date: Wednesday, February 22nd
Time : 12:00-2:00pm
Place: Next Meeting will be held at "The Gathering Place" at the Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street , alternate place will be Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street.

Notices will be sent to members (Others interested please call **384-7740**)

Potluck---Potluck—Potluck

Tsyunhehkwa

If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If there is anything you would like that we don't carry we would be happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida.

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings

The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.

Date: Tuesday, March 14th and 28th
Time: 6:00pm

Please call and inquire before attending **384-7740**

Van Trip

Date: Wednesday, March 15th
Time: Van leaves at 8:00am sharp and returns at approximately 5:30pm

SEOTS van trip and script pick-up

Script pick-up: Wednesday, March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29th

Last day to call in meds for the following Wednesday pick-up is no later than 4:00pm each FRIDAY! You must order meds the week BEFORE each pick up. You can not order the same week you are requesting a pick up unless you are going to pick up your meds or arrange to have someone else pick them up for you. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions about this. Always make 2 calls - SEOTS & PHARMACY (If you don't get your name on the SEOTS List, your meds will not be included in the pick up.)

ONEIDA VFW Post #7784
will be sponsoring a
Fish Fry Luncheon
from
11:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.
Wednesday • February 22, 2006
$6.00 *per plate*
Your choice of Haddock or Cod
with Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, and bread



Student Intern Program

- Do you want to gain helpful and meaningful experiences in your chosen field?
- Do you want to enhance your resume with real work experience?

If the answer is YES, then the Oneida Tribal Student Intern Program is for you.

Student Interns are placed within Tribal Departments to gain meaningful, real-world experience in your chosen field.

This experience can enhance your resume and possibly open the door for employment with the Oneida Tribe.

Target your future!

Gain Experience in these areas!

- Customer Service—Gaming
- Oneida Fitness and Health Promotions
- Kalihwisaks—Journalism
- Librarianship
- Experiential Education
- Recreation Therapy
- Network / PC Support
- Early Childhood
- Elementary or Secondary Education
- Computer Education
- Computer Technical Background
- Health Field
- Nursing
- Marketing / Communications / Business
- Law / Legal Intern
- Natural Resource / Biology
- Oneida History
- Retail / Administration
- Employee Relations—Gaming specific
- Community Planning
- Legislative Affairs—Lobbying

Requirements

- Enrolled in the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin;
- Must be in "Good Standing" with the Oneida Higher Education Department.

Submit Application, Resume, and Cover Letter to:

Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department
c/o Student Intern Program
2630 West Mason Street
Green Bay, Wisconsin 54304
(Resume and cover letter is required with application)
To obtain an application from the Human Resource Department:
Call (920) 496-7900 or (800) 236-7050
Brian A. Doxtator, Ext. 3660 or Tanya Danforth, Ext. 3612
- or - Download application @
http://hrd.oneidanation.org/application/application.shtml

Interview skills training is available at the Oneida Community Education Center, please call 496-7860!



Oneida History & Resources

"Chronology of Events: Research on Oneidas in Wisconsin 1634-2000"

A compilation of activities involving Oneidas in Wisconsin, from their lives in New York to their migration to Wisconsin. Information involving treaties, land transactions, formation of the IRA government, Works Progress Administration, accounts about life and more.

217 pages, $20.00 plus $3.95 s/h © 2003

"Oneida People, Places, Dates and Events: A Resource Guide"

A genealogy guide about Oneida people in Wisconsin from the early 1800's through the 1940's. Entries include information from census records, diary accounts, land records, church records, boarding school information, civil war records, newspaper accounts and correspondence.

Available on compact disk (cd), $65.00 plus $4.95 s/h © 2005

Works Progress Administration 167 Notebooks Collection

Twelve original collections of the Works Progress Administration (WPA) stories gathered in the late 1930's involving accounts of life on the reservation. This collection contains over 11,000 hand-written pages transferred into typewritten text with cross-referenced indexing.

Available on compact disk (cd)—Adobe format. $150.00 plus $4.95 s/h © 2005

To see excerpts of the book, go to: www.angelfire.com/on3/oneida

Allow 2–3 weeks for delivery!

Mail orders to: Susan G. Daniels, W5507 Porter Road, Shawano, WI 54166
Comments: sdaniels1@tds.net

Legislative Review/Letters

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

A few months back I mentioned a transition that would be occurring in the "Three Sisters Housing Site" located in Green Bay across from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College. This site was built in the early 80's with funding received from HUD (Housing & Urban Development) for low income families. Over the years it has served a much needed purpose but the Oneida Housing Authority is in the process of changing the site to address a new need for Elderly Housing. As of this writing there are now 23 units identified for the Elderly. Initially the Elders were hesitant to accept the new housing location, but as the numbers moving in started to grow the transition started to move along rapidly and I anticipate a waiting list being created very soon.

Good Job to the Oneida Housing Authority for seeing a need and making adjustments to meet that need!

Keeping up with the demands of changes can be a challenge but it is also what makes this environment we live in so exciting. Occasionally we do have to sit back and reassess where we came from and why we did things the way we did. Mistakes are an excellent educational tool for learning how to do things better. Of course the changing laws enter into the mix and require some of those changes.

On January 19 I went to Washington DC to participate in a lunch hour briefing with Senate Staffers on the reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, an endeavor that has taken over 5 years. While there, I also met with Senator McCain's assistant and with the Acting Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, Jim Cason. We try to always do some meetings with Legislators when we are in DC.

January 24th, a United Tribal Leaders meeting took place in Carter, Wisconsin hosted by the Potawatomi, We discussed lobbying strategies in light of the campaign finance reform discussions taking place in the State and Washington DC. The race to fill the position being left by Congressman Mark Green in District 8 was also discussed. The Tribes will be meeting again in the near future to begin detailing the GET OUT TO VOTE initiatives we hope to all participate in.

January 25th I traveled to Madison for the State's Building Commission meeting because the agenda had a discussion on the Hobart, Ashwaubenon, Lawrence and Oneida Public Safety Facility plans. Representative Tom Nelson has supported us on this initiative and put the request to the Commission with the hope of getting planning dollars identified to carry on this project as a pilot for the State. This project is a cooperative effort amongst the local governments and supports the Governor's call for creating greater cost efficiencies in providing services to our communities.

January 26th saw us in Milwaukee for a meeting hosted by the SEOTs Office to provide an update to the community on the New York Land Claims. While there we took the opportunity to also review the processes for providing delivery of pharmaceutical supplies to Oneidas who got their scripts filled at the Oneida Pharmacy. This is a new program that should be getting under way very soon. With any new program I am sure there will be problems that we will have to work out. Please forward your concerns to us with any suggestions you may have to correct them.

Recently I was appointed to the Indian Health Services/Veteran Affairs Steering Committee. I wasn't sure what this would entail, but I attended my first meeting of the Steering Committee on January 29th in Phoenix, Arizona. Collaboration is the new buzz word amongst the various Departments in Washington DC. Several years ago, IHS began working with the Dept. of Veteran Affairs to provide more efficient services to Native Americans. The Steering Committee is working on the procedures that need to go into effect to make this happen. But I discovered from my recent meeting that there is a great deal to learn on both sides of the aisle. A veteran has the option of receiving care from a VA Clinic or an Indian Health Clinic but there is presently no way for the one to carry forward to the other without the individual having to start from scratch and completing a great deal of paperwork Our discussions on this Sunday focused primarily on this process and what can be done to make it as seamless as possible. Not as easy as it sounds but I am sure we will be able to come up with something. First we have to understand each others processes currently in place.

As you can see, it appears I have been doing a lot of traveling lately and I guess I have. But these are generally very short trips and I don't expect them to be frequently occurring. I serve on two national committees, TTAG and IHS/VA which meet only twice a year. The rest of the time we conduct business through conference calls.

Letters, Opinions...

The Buffalo Baron

The sacred cow to be granted that tribal members cannot obtain access to. Don't get me wrong I appreciate the buffalo and the beef cattle as the next person. What I object to is the lack of land for tribal members, and the lack of respect for questions asked of a committee entrusted to handle the Tribe's land holdings. The following information is from minutes in which I posted to the Oneida Land Commission.

Question 1. At what point can Tribal members expect to be able to use the agricultural land available. Answer: Send Judy the Agriculture SOP

Question 2. How much Ag land does the Tribe own and how much is leased out to non tribal members? Response: the Oneida Farm has approximately 4,612 acres of which 3,927 acres are leased to non-tribal members. (Please note: The tribe has purchased back a little over 10,000 acres – so where are the Tribal members in the scheme of things).

Question 3. Does the Land Office have a surveyor on staff and if not, why not? Answer: No, if we need one we contract with outside sources. (Note: recent and past "mistakes" could have been avoided has a surveyor been on staff)

Question 4. When can we have a community meeting on the use of the former Sobiek property? Response: refer to the Agriculture SOP. When Land Management decides to advertise tribal wide she can apply. (Note: It is now apparent that I will not get a straight answer – but it gets better – read on).

Question 5. When will the rail road track land become useful to the community, such as biking, hiking, riding cross country skiing trails? Response: Ask your elected representatives and request the issue be given greater priority (Excuse me, I thought the Land Committee was involved with "land" somehow?)

Question 3. Is it true that the Land Commission purchased land this past spring for 20,000 dollars an acre from two former tribal executives when they could have purchased it directly from the former owner for 2,000 an acre? If so, why? Response: Offers to purchase land and negotiations involved in the purchasing process are confidential. Any community member wanted to get more involved with this process is encouraged to seek a seat on the Land Commission. (Note: for the record this transaction is filed in the Brown County Court house and is a "public" document)

Question 7. Why was America's Dream denied their request for land for Tribal members to build on? Response: Judy is no longer a part of the team for America's Dream. Excuse me, what does that have to do with my question?

Is there a "Land Baron"? What do you think? Seeking an answer from the Land Commission with get you no where fast. As to their last comment about participation: Thanks to Madlyn Genskow and the General Tribal Council the Land Commission will be elected henceforth and when that opportunity arises I can only hope the baron is deposed.

Judy Cornelius
Tribal member

GTC Falls Short

I would like to thank all those who showed up for the General Tribal Council Meeting on Saturday, February 4, 2006. We fell 17 people short and therefore, had no quorum. I understand it is very difficult for people to understand what is the issue. On September 25, 2003, I became aware that a lawn mower purchased through the Oneida Recreation Department and I was listed as the contact person. The lawn mower was delivered to my Immediate Supervisor's residence and I notified the Oneida Police Department. I then entered into the grievance process as a witness, a petitioner and a respondent. I experienced disclosure of protected material by the Oneida Personnel Commission, I experienced failure to follow their own rules, I experienced tampering with sworn testimony and observed and experienced the inappropriate treatment of witnesses.

I filed a complaint with the Oneida Appeals Commission to hold the Oneida Personnel Commission accountable for $50,000 in punitive damages and $25,000 for emotional distress, a reaction of false and misleading statements made in the Powless vs. Bain case and an apology letter to all entities that received the decision.

The hearing was set for January 20, 2005 and the Oneida Personnel Commission's attorney or a representative for the Personnel Commission failed to appear. Past precedence when a party fails to appear the decision goes in favor of the appearing party. Instead, I was told the Personnel Commission has immunity.

Immunity was not created to condone misconduct or to say the Oneida Personnel Commission is above the Law. Since bringing this information forward on September 25, 2003, these grievance hearings have exploited my friendships, accused me of giving false and misleading testimony, question my credibility, ethics and loyalty to the Oneida Tribe.

Where is my justice?

Respectfully submitted,
Arlouine Bain

Oneida Nation; Where Do We Stand?

Sakoli, my name is Ron Hill, Jr. "Tehassi". I am writing this to the GTC to hopefully help our citizens understand where we need our Oneida Nation government to stand. There are a lot of issues facing our nation, the one I have chosen to pick up is our nation's SOVEREIGNTY.

According to the United States Constitution, "Treaties are the supreme law of the land." "Treaties are superior to State laws and State Constitutions." Treaties are contracts between Sovereign nations.

The Sovereignty of our Oneida Nation historically and currently is in great jeopardy. We all need education about our Treaties and sovereign rights. The more we know, the stronger our Nation will grow. We all need to hold the United States Federal Government accountable to its Treaties and ensure that our Sovereignty is not further eroded.

The following are excerpts from the primary Treaties the Oneida Nation are party to, each indicates our Sovereign Status:

*Treaty with six nations, 1784 article 2. "The Oneida and Tuscarora Nations shall be secured in the possession of the lands in which they are settled."

*Treaty with six nations, 1794 article 1 "Peace and friendship are here by established, and shall be perpetual,

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Legislative Update

Greetings to all Oneida Nation citizens, employees and community members:

I hope you and your families are in good health. I am going to utilize this legislative review to try and communicate a very complex but vital issue, which affects all tribes. On February 6, 2006, President Bush submitted his Budget Request to Congress for Fiscal Year 2007. The news is not good for Indian Country. The continuing wars in the Middle East, the growth of mandatory spending (such as Medicare and Social Security), and the President's refusal to raise taxes resulted in overall decreases in discretionary funding including spending for programs operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and the Indian Health Service (IHS). According to a report released by the White House, Indian Country stands to lose more than $160 million in health care, education and other funds under the President's proposed budget plan.



Councilman
Paul Ninham

By law, the President is required to submit a budget plan to Congress detailing how much he wants to spend and for what purposes the money would be used. Congress then has the responsibility to appropriate the money. This is done through a set of legislative bills, which must work their way through various committees in both the Senate and the House of Representatives. The first step in the Congressional process is for both chambers of Congress to agree on budget rules, which determine the limits on how much money will be appropriated. Spending levels for specific programs are then set within those limits. While Congress ultimately determines funding levels, it often defers to the President's general wishes. It will be important for Indian Country to continue to press its concerns in Congress, and this will require the continued presence of Indian lobbyists in Washington.

Under the BIA, the President is proposing to cut $65 million from current spending levels but seeks to increase the budget of the Office of the Special Trustee by nearly $22 million. Tribal leaders for years have protested the reprogramming of funds from critical programs, which provide basic and essential services to Indian people to the Special Trustee's Office, which has the responsibility for cleaning up the Indian trust funds mess. Indian people should not be harmed for the federal government's failure to uphold its trust responsibilities to Indian people. While Congress is currently entertaining a bill which would enact a legislative fix for some of the more important problems with the Indian trust system, the Executive branch (the President and the Department of the Interior) continue to impede a fair and just resolution, with the result that they must continue to operate an inadequate and inefficient trust management system with money taken from other Indian programs. Again, Indian people only have one way to protect their interests and that is to continue to lobby members of Congress to resolve the trust fund problem through the legislation that has been proposed.

For several years the Oneida Tribe has not been affected too much by these two problems. We have an agreement with the federal government, which virtually guarantees a stable level of funding from the BIA despite the draining of resources to deal with the trust fund crisis. However, the President's budget would completely eliminate funding in some areas and this would result in no funding for Oneida in those areas. For example, the President is proposing to completely eliminate funding for the Johnson O'Malley Program. Oneida receives $133,100 each year under this program, which is used by the Y.E.S. Program to assist Oneida children attending school on and near our Reservation. Additionally, the proposed plan would eliminate the Community Fire Protection program. We use this money ($13,600 a year) to pay for some of the services provided by the Village of Hobart and the Town of Oneida. Funding for other Oneida programs would be severely reduced. These include the Indian Child Welfare Program, Wildlife and Parks, Roads Maintenance and the very successful Circle of Flight program. It is the responsibility of Tribal leaders to protect these important programs, and we fully intend to engage whatever resources we have to convince Congress that funding for these programs should not only be restored, but, increased at higher levels.

Finally, while the President is proposing a modest overall increase in spending for the IHS, his plan would also eliminate direct funding for Urban Indian Health programs. It is unclear at this time whether this would have an effect on Oneida Tribal health care services by increasing the level of need, but we already know that the modest increases in funding proposed by the President for Clinical Services, Preventative Health Services and Facilities Support are not enough to meet the existing level of need for our current clients. Once again, your elected Tribal leaders must take up the fight for Tribal members whether or not they live on the Reservation. More than half of all Indian people nationwide live in urban areas, and their healthcare needs deserve to be met.

Oneida Family Fitness

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

Oneida Family Fitness update...

By Adam Brown
Oneida Family Fitness

NEW programs and services... Is your health and wellness a priority to you? Do you know how well you are? How would you like to improve your health? Wellness profiles are now available. Fitness specialists are ready to meet with you to assess your lifestyle. This service is provided at no charge. This analysis can provide a road map to enhance your health and well being.

Have you ever started an exercise program time and time again only to lose motivation, causing you to be unsuccessful in meeting your goals? Our team of fitness specialists have designed "Commit to Fit", a 12 week exercise program tailored to provide the tools you need to obtain your desired goals and enhance your fitness level. The program includes a wellness profile, pre and post fitness assessments, strength and cardiovascular program design and equipment orientation. You also get private consultations to include goal setting, behavior modification guidance, and educational information. Altogether this program is valued at over $200, but we offer it to our members at a cost of only $50! All "new" members who purchase a one year membership can register to participate in Commit to Fit at no cost. This free offer only available within 30 days of joining Oneida Family Fitness. Call or stop in to make your appointment today!

Our locker rooms and shower areas are open again. The construction project is progressing so that we may make Oneida Family Fitness better and more convenient for you! Due to the extensive and technical nature of the work being done in the pool area (dehumidification and ventilation systems, painting, and flooring) this area will remain closed until further notice. The CP Center has been made available for our members during this time. Further announcements and updates will be provided as soon as progress information becomes available. We recommend members phone ahead 490-3730 if you have any questions.

Once the construction project is completed you can look forward to a larger and more inviting lobby area, more private appointment areas for wellness profiles, and assessments, and elevator service to all levels. We will also be able to provide two all new ADA compliant changing areas for members with special needs. You can look forward to a new fitness specialist presentation area and we will be expanding our childcare services! Get ready for an overall more efficient and aesthetic Oneida Family Fitness! We look forward to seeing you and helping you meet your fitness and health goals.



Photo courtesy of Adam Brown
Artist sketch of the new expansion now underway at the Oneida Family Fitness Center.

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Maureen Cisler...



Maureen started working at Oneida Family Fitness in 2002 as an administrative assistant. She transferred here from gaming where she used to work in the vault. Maureen loves working at Oneida Family Fitness and has always admired people who put effort into physical activity. She enjoys meeting all of the wonderful people who come in to work out and get healthy.

Maureen was born and raised in Green Bay and is one of 5 girls in her family. She loves camping and fishing with her husband and that is where you will find her most weekends from May through October. Maureen has two beautiful daughters and one step son who are grown and live on their own. She also loves reading, cooking and going to church with her family.

Maureen feels that working for Oneida Family Fitness has been a blessing to her and she looks forward to assisting and encouraging all of the fitness center members to keep a healthy lifestyle.

Oneida Family Fitness Staff

Michelle Mielke.....*Fitness Center Director*
Todd Shelto.....*Fitness Center Assistant Director*
Lori Bembnister.....*Fitness Specialist Lead*
Ryan Engel.....*Fitness Specialist Lead*
David Beiser.....*Fitness Specialist*
Eric Frantz.....*Fitness Specialist*
Tina Jacobsen.....*Fitness Specialist*
Jason Manders.....*Fitness Specialist*
Stefanie Richter.....*Fitness Specialist*
Kevin Schoenebeck.....*Martial Arts Coordinator*
Adam Brown.....*Martial Arts Instructor*
Maureen Cisler.....*Administrative Assistant*
Martina Frechette.....*Administrative Assistant*
Teresa Holschuh-Sieja.....*Aquatics Director*
Nicole Cooley.....*Lifeguard*
Orrie Kreuscher.....*Lifeguard*
Teresa Roth.....*Lifeguard*
Susan Majeski.....*Experiential Director*
Mark Steinbach.....*Experiential Coordinator*
Cindy Young.....*Experiential Specialist*
Kip Miller.....*Experiential Specialist*

The **O**neida **F**amily **F**itness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at: 2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI Phone: (920) 490-3730. Look for *o.f.f. highlights* once a month in the Kali.

Heart Healthy Day

By Lori Bembnister
Fitness Specialist Lead

February is National Heart Healthy Month. Come one and come all to celebrate A Heart Healthy Day at Oneida Family Fitness. We are located at 2640 West Point Road.

Mark your calendar to join us on Saturday Feb 18 from 8:45-12:00pm in the gymnasium for our **"Heart Healthy Aerobic Jam"**. Family Fitness members ages 4 and up are "FREE". Non members ages 4-13 are $1.00 and Adults 14 & up are $5.00. Please contact Lori Bembnister at 490-3730 for more details. Listed below is the agenda for our **"Heart Healthy Aerobic Jam!"** We hope to see you there!!

AGENDA...

- ~ 8:45AM – 9:00AM: *Registration (Gymnasium)*
- ~ 9:00AM – 9:15AM: *Warm Up & Stretch*
- ~ 9:15AM – 9:45AM: *Country Line Dancin'*
- ~ 9:50AM – 10:20AM: *Cardio Kickboxing*
- ~ 10:25AM–10:55AM: *Strength Training/ResistABall*
- ~ 11:00AM –11:20AM: *Abdominals/Low Back*
- ~ 11:20AM –11:30AM: *Stretching*
- ~ 11:30AM –12:00PM: *Healthy Snacks*

Children Ages 4–9 years ~ Studio A
Fun Activities/Games: Hula Hoop Contest, Jump Rope Contest, Crash Mat Skills, Shuttle Run, Etc.

Saturday Classes in March

Did you know that Oneida Family Fitness offers a different group exercise class every Saturday? Did you also know these classes are free of charge to our members? Just because it's the weekend doesn't mean you can't meet your friends to have a good time and work out. We are open bright and early from 7am until 2pm on Saturdays. If you don't usually take fitness classes this is the perfect opportunity to try something new because every Saturday is something different.

Our Saturday classes start at 9am. Here is the schedule for March:

March 4–***Spin and box with Eric***
March 11–***Core Strengthening with Ryan***
March 18–***Fitness kickboxing with Adam***
March 25–***Circuit Training with Jason***

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Fitness Members *for the month of* February...

Jessica has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for about two years. She was first motivated to begin an exercise program because she has diabetes, and after seeing what this disease can do to a person, she decided to take better care of herself and not live that type of lifestyle. She currently receives a lot of support from the Diabetic Team at OCHC, her fitness trainer, and her aunt. Her biggest obstacle to improving her life is to stop doing so much for others and start paying more attention to herself.


Jessica Hernandez

So far, Jessica's average blood sugar level has been dropping. She is also losing weight, eating healthier, and is happier than she was before exercising. These accomplishments can be attributed to the fact that Jessica is currently enrolled in Weight Watchers, and is also exercising five days per week. She usually meets with her fitness trainer once per week. On the other days, she performs strength training, cardiovascular exercise, and joins line dancing class on Tuesdays. With everything that Jessica is doing, her biggest goal right now is to get healthy and not have to take any medications.

Jessica enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because it is not very far from home. She also enjoys the friendly staff, and enjoys the fact that she doesn't feel like she is being judged for being there. Besides exercising, Jessica enjoys spending time with her family. She also likes to help out at her family's tire shop.

Lastly, Jessica's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "No matter how hard it is, you need to stay focused. Like the saying goes when you are learning to ride your bike- when you fall off, get back up and try again!".

Gene has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for about five years. At first, Gene started to exercise to lose weight, but now he's just wants to be healthy. There are a few obstacles that Gene has had to overcome. He had to quit smoking and eat healthier. He also had to get back in the saddle a few times after walking away from exercise when his expectations were not met. In the end, his health and well-being kept him coming back in order to feel good about himself.


Gene Redhail

Currently, Gene has lost about forty-five pounds since exercising on a regular basis again. His workout routine consists of weight training three days per week, one hundred ball crunches per day, performing cardiovascular exercise by using the elliptical for eight miles per day, and stretching on a regular basis.

Gene enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because he works next door in Social Services and the convenience is great for him. Besides exercising, Gene spends a lot of time with his friends and family.

Finally, Gene's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "It won't happen in thirty days! Working out at being healthy is a lifestyle!".

Sports

Thunderhawk girls get win number nine

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation girls basketball team had a little revenge on their minds when they took the court against Marinette Catholic Central on February 13 at the Turtle School.

Last season, when the Thunderhawks traveled to Marinette, they were without leading scorer Twyla Danforth, players had the flu and Irene Danforth was just coming back from a broken foot. Things didn't look good.

> *"The win was a great feeling, and I loved the big crowd."*
> ~ Cheryl Stevens
> Oneida Head Coach

"They took advantage with no mercy by running the score up on us," head coach Cheryl Stevens said.

The Cavaliers won that game 57 -32.

This season was little different. Oneida dominated the inside game and won the game easily 39-26. The game wasn't as close as the score would indicate because Stevens substituted liberally the final four minutes of game.

"This game could have been a much bigger spread for us, but I got my JV players in there when we were up,' Steven said.

The Thunderhawks broke open a fairly close game in the final moments of the first half and the opening four minutes of the third quarter.

With Oneida leading 15-13, the Thunderhawks went on a 11-0 run that stretched into the first four minutes of the third quarter to put the game out of reach.

The game also had special meaning as it was parent's night and senior night. Senior Stakwas Danforth did not disappoint the home crowd and scored 17 points. Twyla Danforth lead Oneida with 18 points. Both players dominated in the low post where Marinette Catholic Central had no answer for their strength and height.

"It was a good win for parent's night and for our only senior, Stakwas Danforth," Stevens said. "The win was a great feeling and I loved the big crowd."

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Oneida: Vega 1, Stevens 3, S. Danforth 17, T. Danforth 18. FT; 9-31. F: 19. Fouled out: Stevens, T. Danforth.

Oneida 35 OVC 47

Oshkosh Valley Christian outscored the visiting Thunderhawks 26-11 in the second half to secure the win. Oneida was lead by Stakwas Danforth's 12 points. Twyla Danforth chipped in 11.

Oneida only converted on three of 11 free throws for the game.

Oneida 14 10 7 4 - 35
OVC 9 12 16 10 - 47

Oneida: McLester 2, S.Danforth 12, Cornelius 2, Stevens 8, T. Danforth 11. FT: 3-11. F: 13.



Kalih photo/ Phil Wisneski

Oneida's Louis Stevens looks to pass the ball inside against Marinette Catholic Central. The Thunderhawks won the game 39-26 and improved to 9-10 for the season.

Oneida boys hoops fall short

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation boys basketball went on the road and nearly pulled off another upset. In a gutty effort the Thunderhawks fell to Sevastopol 50-45. The Pioneers left the gym with a 9-9 record for the season and Oneida fell to 1-18.

"I'm not much for moral victories, but it was nice to see our guys come out and play hard tonight," Oneida head Coach Scott Murray said. "I hope our guys finally see that if we bring it every night, we can play with anybody."

The Thunderhawks were lead by Gavin Hill's 16 points and 16 rebounds. Darrell Skenandore chipped in 12.

Oneida 13 9 11 12 - 45
Sevastopol 9 15 13 13 - 50

Oneida: Powless 10, Cantu 5, Hill 16, Skenandore 12, Lynk 2. 3-PT: Powless 2, Cantu, Skenandore. FT: 11-17. F: 16. Fouled out: Hernandez.

Oneida Nation 29
Living Word Lutheran 69

The Thunderhawks were no match for the Wolves as Living Word Lutheran pounded the ball inside to 6'6" EriK Borresen. Borresen abused the smaller Oneida players and scored a game high 19 points.

The Wolves opened the game by outscoring the Thunderhawks 21-9 in the opening quarter. Living Word Lutheran finished off Oneida in the third quarter by clamping down on defense and held the Thunderhawks to just two points, while scoring 18.

Nick Cantu lead Oneida with 8 points.

Oneida 9 8 2 10 - 29
LWL 21 12 19 16 - 67

Oneida: Powless 6, Cantu 8, Hernandez 6, Skenandore 5, Gutierrez 1, Hill 3. 3-PT: Cantu 2. FT: 9-21. F: 20 Fouled out: Hill, Cantu, Powless.

Oneida Nation 44
Tigerton 51

The Thunderhawks got to within three points at the end of the third quarter, but ran out of gas and couldn't complete the upset bid. Tigerton was lead by Paul Sellner's 20 points. The Tigers improved to 12-3 for the season ,while Oneida Nation drops to 1-16.

Gavin Hill lead Oneida with 19 points, all coming in the first three quarters. Nick Cantu added 14 points for the THunderhawks.

Oneida 10 15 11 8 - 44
Tigerton 14 17 8 12 - 51

Oneida: Cantu 14, Hernandez 4, Gutierrez 3, Hill 19, Skenandore 4. 3-PT: Cantu 4, Hill. FT: 3-4. F: 12. Fouled out: Hill.

Oneida Nation 53
Stockbridge 67

Oneida was out-hustled by Stockbridge during the most critical moments of the game. Numerous offensive rebounds and lose balls found their way into the hands of visiting Stockbridge.

Chris Mader lead Stockbridge with 23 points while Rilee Zeinart added 14.

The Thunderhawks were lead by a career high 13 points from Freddie Hernandez. Gavin Hill chipped in 12 points in a losing cause.

Oneida 10 10 14 19 - 53
Stockbridge 16 11 20 20 - 67

Oneida: Powless 2, Cantu 4, Hernandez 13, John Christjohn 1, Josh Christjohn 7, Hill 12, Skenandore 9, Lynk 5. 3-PT: Hernandez, Skenandore. FT: 7-12. F: 17. Fouled out: Powless, Skenandore.

Oneida Nation wrestlers bow out at division three regionals

By Caterina Delgado
Special to Kalihwisaks

The sounds of hollering, "shoot, grab his leg, cradle him, take him down", are just some of the commands heard and said by Oneida Nation High School Coach, Thom Burke and fans of the February 11, 2006 Regional Wrestling Championship Tournament. The Regional Tournament was held on a Saturday in Wrightstown. The five young Oneida Nation High School team traveled there to see where they stood for the Division III Regional Championship.

A 7:30 a.m. departure on that Saturday morning was a nice relief compared to the usual 6:30 a.m. departure for most tournaments. The five young wrestlers in their purple warm ups stretch and yawn as they prepare for their first wrestling Regional match, shortly after they arrive at Wrightstown's fairly new high school. After weighing in they're able to indulge in breakfast consisting of fruits, bagels, eggs and whatever else is offered at the tournament to get them going for the day.

The Mat men of Oneida come to Regionals with the following records; Freshman, Joslin Skenandore a 1st year wrestler, record 1/11, Sophomore, Michael Stevens, 4 years wrestling, record 9/9, Sophomore, Sean Metoxen, 8th year wrestling, record 14/12, Sophomore, Lakwaho McLester, 9th year wrestling, record 9/9, and Junior, Eddie Metoxen, 8th year wrestling, record 12/6.

A routine workout for the High School team consists of 24 laps in the Turtle School gym, 90 push-ups, and 90 sit ups, wrestling live for 30 minutes, conditioning, and stair laps. They alternate their lifting of weights with working on their arms on Mondays and Wednesdays, and legs Tuesdays and Thursdays, said Coach Burke.

"The wrestlers know what they have to do to make their weight" said Coach Burke. "There's a scale in the wrestling room if they want to weigh themselves." Coach Burke adds.

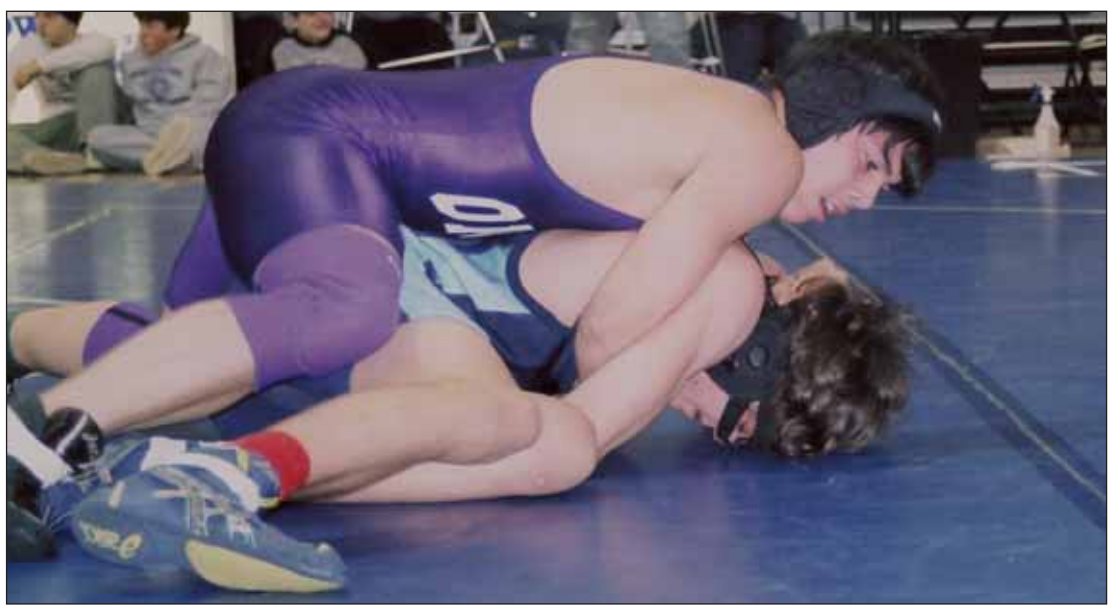
Sophomores Michael Stevens and Sean Metoxen take the mat first to warm up by practicing take down moves. Stevens loses his first round to Sam Bramstedt from Manitowoc Lutheran. Stevens finishes the tournament in 5th place. Sean Metoxen wins against Manitowoc Roncalli's, Adam Ley. Sean Metoxen also goes on to wrestle 2 more times and takes 3rd place and in an exciting 3rd round with only 26 seconds left pins Mike Schmelter from Brillion.

Sophomore Lakwaho McLester fights to the finish during his match and completes his season with a 9/10 record, taking 5th place. Freshman Joslin Skenandore does the same and ends his season with a record of 1/13 in 5th place also.

Junior, Eddie Metoxen has a bye the first match and goes on to wrestle Eric Boylan from Wrightstown and is defeated. During an intense first 2 rounds of Eddie Metoxen's third match against Jared Barnard from Brillion and with a close score of 5 to 6, Eddie Metoxen is down by one point. The stakes are high because this is the match that will determine who takes 3rd for the 160 pound weight class for Division III Regional Championship. Eddie Metoxen is still down by one point and for the last 5 seconds he over powers Barnard in the Half Nelson move and pins him sending the crowd into a roar as they cheer for the 3rd place Regional Champ. Eddie Metoxen is congratulated by his mom, Tammy Metoxen and brothers Sean and Tyler Metoxen who have all supported each other during the wrestling season. Eddie Metoxen says in his final words for the season, "Lookin' forward to next year and we had a good season this year."

Coach Burke congratulates his hardworking wrestler, Eddie Metoxen.

Coach Burke concludes, "They all wrestled good and they all wrestled hard."





Kali photo courtesy of Caterina Delgado

At top, Sean Metoxen of Oneida attempts to pin his opponent Adam Ley of Manitowoc Ron Calli. Above, Eddie Metoxen grapples with Eric Boylan of Wrightstown. Both Sean and Eddie lost their matches (pictured) however, both young men placed third at Regionals this past weekend in Wrightstown.

Skenandore and Cornette Advance to WIAA wrestling sectionals

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

Two Oneida wrestlers from the Green Bay West/ Southwest team have advanced to the division one WIAA Sectionals.



Skenandore

Eddy Joe Skenandore and Les Cornette both won their regional championship matches last weekend in De Pere.

The sections will take place Saturday February 18 in Kaukauna. Both wrestlers have had outstanding seasons thus far.

Skenandore had the best record in the area. He is 41-0 for the season and wrestles in the 215 pound weight bracket.

Cornette transferred to Green Bay Southwest after three very successful seasons at Seymour. This season, Cornette has compiled a 37-3 record thus far.

Both Skenandore and Cornette have captured Fox River Valley Conference championships in their weight class.

Skenandore is ranked #8 in the Wisconsin Wrestling Online state individual wrestling rankings.



Cornette

Cornette is ranked third in division one by the same website. He currently holds a career 152-24 record. LAst season her finished fifth at Madison in the WIAA Individual Finals.

Civic Center Art News

Submitted By: Michelle (McCormick) Smith

Wow! January was an exciting time for the members at the Civic Center. The children visited African culture and learned about the different types of art created by this culture. In our other classes, we learned different drawing skills and uses of different items to create works of art. The children were able to experience art in many aspects and learned that art is not just created in drawing and painting but many things can be used to create art.

For the month of February, I will be working with different community members to set up classes geared toward Native American projects and classes to prepare ourselves for the upcoming Pow Wows this spring and summers. These classes will be available to the public and will be posted in my next article. If you have a talent to offer in this area, please feel free to contact me.

The Art Club is also in the process of developing plans for museum visits, art shows, mural paintings, and much more. We are looking for local artists to attend our meetings and give great input into the planning process.

‘Trumpeting the Stone’ Honors the Oneida Nation

by Sandy Dennett
Special to Kalihwisaks

“A trumpeting triumph for Native Americans” read the headlines of a recent article in the Tallahassee (FL) Democrat. The article went on to describe the “world premiere” of a trumpet concerto that honors the Oneida Nation. The concerto Trumpeting the Stone, written by Mohican composer Brent Michael Davids, is the outcome of a vision of Wisconsin tribal member Dr. Christopher Moore. Funding for the research and commissioning of the concerto was provided by an Oneida Nation Arts Program grant and a grant from Florida State University (FSU).

Moore and the FSU College of Music Symphony Orchestra debuted Trumpeting the Stone before a full house at the Ruby Diamond Auditorium in Tallahassee on Saturday evening, February 4, 2006. The composer, Brent Michael Davids, also present for the performance, provided valuable insight into the interpretation of the concerto. Davids’ composition career, spanning 30 years, includes works for the National Symphony Orchestra, the New Mexico Symphony, the Kronos Quartet, the Joffrey Balley, and numerous scores for television and film.

Moore, who received his Doctor of Musical Arts degree from Eastman School of Music, with financial assistance from the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin for his doctoral degree, is an Assistant Professor of Trumpet at FSU. He has won numerous solo competitions, as well as a Grammy award in 2000 for a recording with the Chestnut Brass Company. Moore also has extensive ensemble and teaching experience.

Program notes by composer Davids begin: “Trumpeting the Stone is dedicated to the Oneida People of Wisconsin, the Standing Stone People.” Davids wrote about the shared history of the Oneida people and the Mohicans. When the Mohicans lost their land in what is now called the Hudson River Valley and the Berkshires, the Oneida people accepted the Mohicans into “their ever-dwindling homeland.” Concluding the program notes, Davids wrote: “Composing a new trumpet concerto that honors the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin remains a proud moment for this Mohican composer.”

As a member of the audience and the mom of Chris, this writer experienced many emotions listening to the rehearsal of Trumpeting the Stone on Friday, the performance on Saturday evening, and finally, the 2.5 hour rigorous recording session on Sunday morning. I heard and felt the musical expression of tenacity, pathos, despair, love of our original homelands, hope, and belief in our selves. I also felt our ancestors’ struggles and then, their peace, calm, and wisdom. Later in the concerto, hearing the 14-member chorus singing Hymn #15 evoked feelings of pride and familiarity. Musical expressions of energy followed, along with the emotions experienced when conquering obstacles. The concerto ends with the confirmation of a new dawn, a celebration of joyful complexity.

A CD of Trumpeting the Stone will be available at a later date. A Wisconsin debut is being planned for Spring 2007.



Photo submitted by Sandy Dennett
Mohican member Brent Michael Davids (left) and Dr. Christopher Moore of Oneida dedicated “Trumpeting of the Stone” to their nations’ intertwined histories.

New sign for Travel Mart



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski
An new billboard went up near the Travel mart off of Highway 29 to increase visibility to motorists.

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Thunderhawk Times

ONHS Student Council has been busy!

by Scott Lynk
ONHS senior

Okay, it's more than half way through the school year and, although it may look to some people like the ONHS Student Council actually did a lot.

There wasn't a Homecoming dance, but there was a lock-in at the Turtle School which turned out pretty good, with just a little over half of the students showing up. The lock-in started at 9 pm and went to 9 am. Activities lasted all through the night starting open gym, making cookies, video games, movies to start things off. About 1:30 am, there was a basketball tournament with the team of Lois Stevens, Anthony Gutierrez, and Josh Chrisjohn taking the whole thing. Then, students played volleyball followed by open gym for the rest of the morning.

Another success this year was the pie throwing contest, or throw a pie a teacher. For fifty cents, you could brighten your day by throwing a whipped cream pie at either Carol Johnson, the English teacher, Mitch Belemare and Lynn Adrian, the special ed teachers, or Becky Nutt, the Science teacher.

One thing we are working on right now is a light-box sign for our high school building. This year, the Student Council decided to take designing the box into their own hands by asking ONHS alumnus Chris Hartman to sketch our idea's on to paper. What we've come up with is a medicine wheel to go around the cross on the front of the building. The design will have the Six Nations wampum belt boarder and inside the four spaces of the medicine wheel will be spiritual-long house, physical-sports, emotional-corn husk family, and mental-books.

Something we are working on for next year is a "Junior-Senior Options Program" with the Green Bay Chamber of Commerce Partners in Education: Youth Apprenticeship program. We are now partners with ten other school districts to provide opportunities for qualified ONHS 11th and 12th graders in business and education. The program is a combination of high school, NWTC classes and a job in a student's field of interest. Juniors and seniors who qualify because of exceptional behavior, academics and attendance can be placed in opportunities outside of school during the school day for additional credit and, possibly, pay.

The school store is also open and students can buy school-friendly snacks, drinks, and school supplies.

This year's student council members are:

Seniors:
President–Anthony Gutierrez *(Student Council Vice President)*
Vice President–Scott Lynk
Treasurer–Salisha Ninham *(Student Council Treasurer)*
Secretary–Virgil Stevens

Juniors:
President–Lois Stevens *(Student Council President)*
Vice President–Freddie Hernandez
Treasurer–Twyla Danforth
Secretary–Lenita Cornelius

Sophomores:
President–Lauren Mills
Vice President–Neset Vega

Native American Dance Theater was pretty cool

by Leticia Behringer
ONHS freshman

On Thursday, January 26, Guidance Counselor Tom Kenote took some students to UWGB for the Native American Dance Theatre. It was part of a campus visit to get us acquainted with the nearest state university. We visited the dorm rooms, the library, the weight rooms, swimming pools, and the whole campus. It was pretty cool.

Then, we went to the theater to see the performance by the Native American Dance Theater group. This is the eighth annual NADT and began at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville last summer. The program was a "Celebration of Dance, Song and Tradition."

According to the Weidner Center, where the performance was held – "The first national company of American Indian dancers and musicians continues to awe and inspire audiences as they perform authentic and traditional Native American dances, representing a broad spectrum of American tribes."

The whole day was a great experience.

Sports Link…

Favre's Retirement?

by Scott Lynk
ONHS senior

To retire or not to retire? That is the question.

Yeah, that's the question everybody in the U.S. wants to know the answer to.

If he returns, Brett Favre would be entering his 17th season in the NFL. But does he want to? Just like any other choice in life, there are pro's and con's to his decision.

Pro's would be the possibility of another ring, a few more records, media headlines, and a chance to get rid of last season's record.

Con's would be, another horrible season, more injuries, and ... media headlines.

If Brett Favre came back, it would most definitely make his fans happy as well as the Packers themselves. If he were to retire, it wouldn't be that bad either, seeing that the Packers drafted Aaron Rodgers just last year. Rogers could be pretty good (although he is nothing like Brett Favre with his "no guts no glory" game decision making).

Along with Rogers, the Packers would have their number one wide out, Javon Walker, and running back Ahman Green back from injuries. However, with a new head coach, people are already saying it just might be another bad season like the one that just ended.

Super Bowl is really Super

by Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

Everything about the Super Bowl is super. The cost for one Super Bowl ring is $5,000, plus adjustments for increases in gold and diamonds. The league pays for 150 rings – that's about $750,000. I think that is a lot of money just for rings. What I think about the Super Bowl is that it is fun to watch and good entertainment but they spend too much money on it. I think its also really cool that so many people get into the Super Bowl.

Football itself started during the 19th in England during a soccer game when a player was getting angry with just using his feet to manipulate the ball. So, he decided to pick it up and run with it. Today football is one of the top sports in America today. It has changed a lot from the old days as far as the equipment, scoring and how its organized.

Another Take on the Super Bowl

by Scott Lynk
ONHS senior

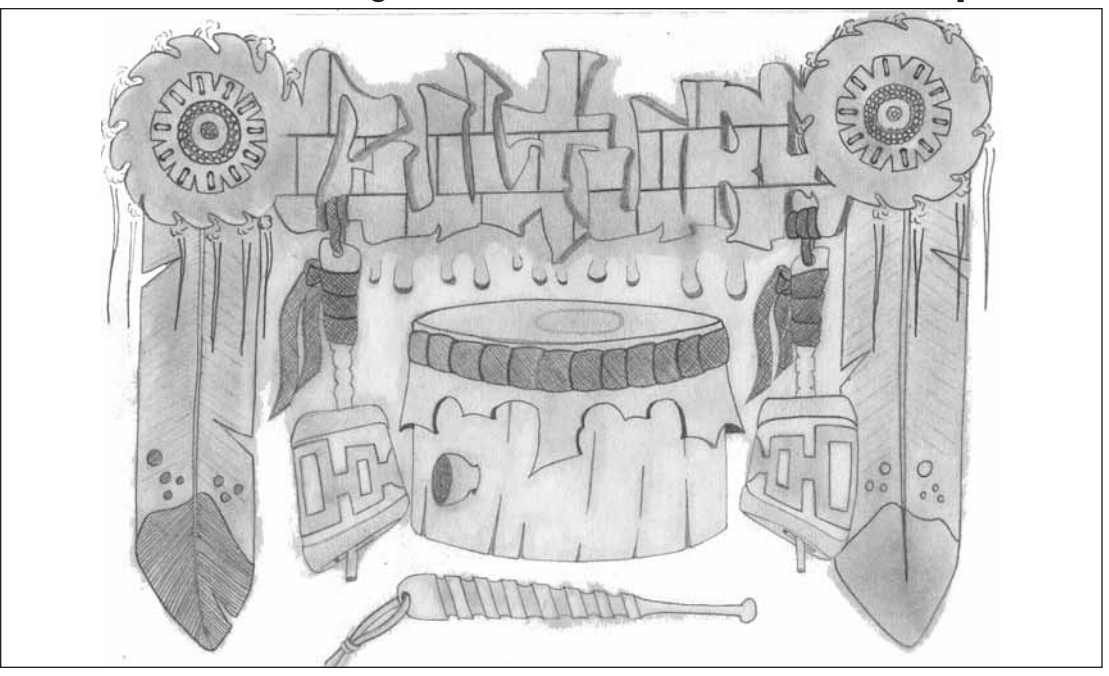
The Super Bowl. The most anticipated football game of the year.

Some might say the Steelers came all the way from behind or you might say that it was destiny for Steelers' Running Back Jerome Bettis to finish with a ring.

But did they really come all the way from the 6th seed to win the big game? In fact, they didn't. Well, really they did. But maybe they should have been the number one seed all along. Let's call it unfortunate that the Steelers were seeded 6th because they put a whooping on every team they played in the AFC with a 31-17 win over the Bengals, a 21-18 win over the Colts, and a 34-17 win over the Broncos. And, all of those games were played at the opponent's house. Jerome Bettis finishing with a ring is just icing on the cake for his Hall of Fame career.

What happens from here, I couldn't tell you. Neither can anyone else. So don't be fooled. We'll see what happens next season, because almost every team in the NFL has a legit shot at Super Bowl XLI.

Culture Class Logo Contest awards $285 in prizes



by Cynthia Thomas
Special to Thunderhawk Times

A logo contest was offered to all ONHS students, grades 9 - 12, to assist in developing a class logo for the Ohusyakehka Kanunyashuha class. The winning logo will be embroidered onto apparel for future use.

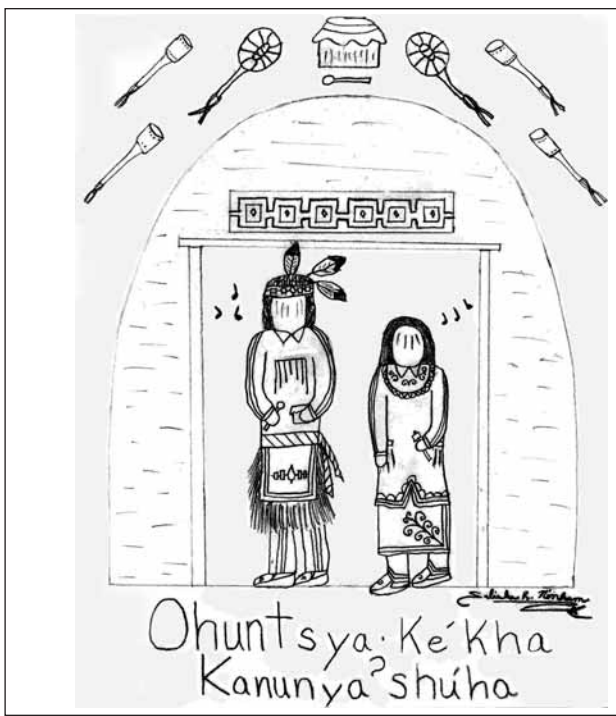
The requirements for student entries were to be a black and white drawing, signed and dated by the artist, on an 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper, and demonstrating the instruments used when singing Iroquois social songs.

The contest was a collaborative effort of two teachers, Cynthia Thomas and Kalan^kehtkwas Brooks. The C.A.P.P.S. program provided the awards for all the winners.

Ohusyakehka Kanunyashuha logo contest winners were as follows: First Place $100.00 Simon Gift Card - John Christjohn, Second Place $50.00 Simon Gift Card - Sapatis Menomin and Third Place $25.00 Simon Gift Card - Salisha Ninham. Eleven runners-up recieved a $10.00 Oneida One Stop Gift Card. They were Tiana Thorstenson, Andrew Sitting Bear, Shakira Stevens, Douglass Reed, Janene Skenandore, Louis Guerra, Kyle White, Summer Smith, Lakwaho Mclester, Scott Lynk and Luanne Funmaker.

Winning logos:
Above, John Christjohn, 1st Prize; At right, Sapatis Menomin, 2nd Prize; and bottom, Salisha Ninham, took 3rd Prize.





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My Scoop

"Playing With The Big Kids" – Should Freshmen Play Varsity?

By Darrell Skenandore
ONHS Junior

Should high school freshmen be able to play varsity sports? If you ask that question to 10 people, 9 of them would say 'yes, because of the talent level' and the other one would probably just say 'they can't because they are too inexperienced.'

The Number one reason why freshmen should play varsity is talent. Some freshmen come out of middle school with such high talent that they can compete in varsity sports. They could make a huge impact on the field, court, or track.

Then Number two reason is size. Some kids are so huge that they have to play varsity to make it a challenge. Say there is a 6'8 kid playing junior varsity. He would dominate scoring like 30 points a game and 20 rebounds, so they have to throw him on varsity where there are kids that are the same size or close to it so they can actually try to play some defense on him.

The last reason is probably to get experience. Say you have a kid that is a great starting QB for the junior varsity team and you know that your QB for the varsity team is graduating next year. You are going to put him in the games that are out of hand so he can get some experience and not be totally (incompetent) the next year when they try to play varsity.

Do you think that freshmen should be able to play varsity? I think that if they are big enough and talented enough, they should be able to play – even if they are in middle school.

Education

Scholarships

Wisconsin Indian Education Scholarship

The Wisconsin Indian Education Association (WIEA) is pleased to provide scholarship assistance to American Indian students attending institutes of higher education for the 2006-07 academic year.

This scholarship is an achievement-based scholarship and is not based on financial need.

Four scholarships of $1,000 each will be awarded, one in each of the following categories: 1) New or continuing student attending a vocational/technical or tribal college. 2) Entering freshman at a 4-year college. 3). Undergraduate at a 4-year college (second semester freshman, sophomore, junior or senior). 4) Graduate or PhD student.

Applicants must be Wisconsin residents with proof of enrollment in a Wisconsin tribe. Must be a full time student with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better.

For application materials contact the Oneida Higher Education Office at **920-869-4033** or **800-236-2214.** For more information contact Virginia Nuske, Scholarship Coordinator, WIEA, P O Box 910, Keshena WI 54135 or call **715-799-5110**. **Deadline for receipt of all application materials is March 17, 2006**.

Purcell Powless Scholarship Fund

In 1989 Purcell Powless established a scholarship fund for Oneida Tribal members pursuing graduate and post graduate studies.

The fund provides financial assistance with tuition, fees and required textbooks to students who demonstrate financial need.

Applicants may be full-time or part-time students, and must be in good standing at their academic institution.

Applicants must apply for other financial aid prior to applying for the Purcell Powless scholarship.

Business and Economic majors receive priority in the selection process.

For more information or for application materials call the Oneida Higher Education Office at **920-869-4333** or **800-236-2214.**

Contact Higher Ed at **920-869-4333** or **1-800-236-2214** for more information about colleges and financial aid.

N@the> OI$=wase–What's Up from the After School Kids

Submitted by Mrs. Pagel

After School Program

The After School Journalism Team is proud to announce that we have doubled our numbers.

We had four new members join as of the first of the new year. We hope you will enjoy getting to know them through their introductory interviews.

We tried a new type of journalism to acquire these interviews. The use of a digital video camera gave our reporters a chance to experience not only the interviewing part of this assignment, but also the photo journalistic aspect of reporting.

We video taped ourselves interviewing our new reporters. We worked on dialogue and scripts. Voice control and enunciation were important areas we practiced. And, yes, we certainly had our share of takes and retakes. And despite the bloopers, we were able to bring you the following interviews.

Jairica Joins Our Team

by Josanna

I began by asking Jairica how old she was.

"I am 10," she replied.



I asked her why she was in the after school program?

Jairica told me she was in the program because she had trouble getting her work done.

She told me that her favorite subject in school is basketball. Jairica has one brother and two sisters.

Meet Jesse

by Nigel



Jesse met with me at the library. We began our interview with a few questions. I asked Jesse how old he was. He said he was ten years old. Jesse told me he was in the After School program because it was fun. When I asked Jesse who his friends were, he had a long list of names. Jesse's favorite subject in school is Math. Jesse has two brothers, Tyler and Travis.

Paul, A New Face

by Jesse

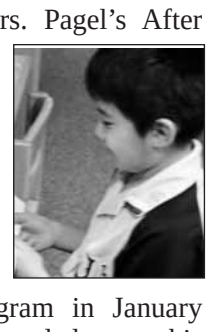
As my first assignment I interviewed Paul. Paul is new to the After-school program. He joined the after-school program in January. Paul is 10 years old. Paul told me he joined because his father wanted him to get his work done. His best friends at school are Vincent and Roberto, two other Fourth Graders. Paul has a three year old sister. His favorite subject in school is gym class.



And Here's Tyler...

by Jairica

Tyler is one of the new students in Mrs. Pagel's After School class. He is 10 years old and is in Fourth Grade. Tyler joined the After School program in January because he needed to get his work done. Tyler told me his favorite subject is Football. He has two brothers, Jesse and Travis. Jesse is 10 and Tyler thought Travis was eight.



The Power to Dream, the Power to Achieve…

The Office of Indian Education, U.S. Department of Education's 2006 Native American Student Art Competition open to American Indian/Alaska Native students in Grades K-12 and Preschoolers ages 4 & 5.

Please encourage student participation; spread the word to schools, teachers, & students.

Outreach kits available with further information on rules & entry, as well as the flyer & poster to help you share news of the competition.

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College of Menominee Nation

December, 2005

Dear College of the Menominee Nation Community Member:

You may be aware that College of Menominee Nation's (CMN) current Strategic Plan is nearing its end. Consequently, it is time for the College to develop the next plan that will continue and guide its growth for the next five years. To this end, the Planning Committee, appointed by the College Board, is gathering information on the status of the current plan so that they can evaluate our progress and make recommendations for the future. These recommendations will then be presented to the CMN Board for review and final action.

Like all organizations, the College must remain focused, yet flexible, in its efforts to keep pace with our changing environment. To successfully maintain educational excellence and meet the needs of the College Community, a great deal of planning and organizing for the future is necessary. Our strategic planning process will help us define what is basically and fundamentally important as we establish goals for the college and identify the actions we need to take to achieve those goals.

As we enter and engage in this endeavor, it is mandatory that all members of the College community, including community members, students, and employees be involved. Your ideas are needed to ensure a strong academic institution for future generations. Ms. Betty Jo Wozniak, CMN Board Vice-Chair, is the Chairperson of the Planning Committee and is aided by CMN staff. **The purpose of this letter is to inform you that you will be hearing more about the process and means of obtaining your participation so your voice is heard.** So I ask you to take some time to reflect on the college; what is has accomplished and what you want it to be for the future.

In closing, I encourage you to become actively involved in the development of this process and the plan itself. Your direct participation is the only way the College of the Menominee Nation will achieve its long term goals. We must come together to ensure an excellent educational facility that will engender strong nations, not only for Menominee, but also for the other tribes and communities we serve, and at the same time help, meet the needs of the Northeastern Wisconsin area.

Respectfully,

S. Verna M. Fowler, Ph.D.
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between the United States and the Six Nations."

*Article 2 "The United States acknowledges the lands reserved to Oneida, Onondaga and the Cayuga Nations, in their respective Treaties with the State of New York, and called their reservations, to be their property; and United States will never claim the same, nor disturb them or either of the Six Nations, nor their Indian friends residing thereon and united with them, in the free use enjoyment there of:"

Treaty with New York Indians, 1838 article 4. "The right to establish their own form of government, appoint their own officers, and administer their own laws; subject, however, to the legislation of the Congress of the United States, regulating trade and intercourse with the Indians. The land secured to them by patent under this Treaty shall never be included in any State or Territory of this Union."

There are many federal acts and laws the government has imposed upon us. Many are in direct violation of our treaties. One example is the **Dawes Allotment Act.** The main purposes of the Dawes Act were to diminish tribal land holdings, to extend the reach of the federal government, and to promote the assimilation of our people. The process involved removing land by dividing it in to parcels, then assigning it to individuals and placing it into Federal Trust for twenty five years. After this time period the land was removed from Trust and placed in "fee simple" which means that local and State governments could levy taxes on the parcels of land. Many of our people didn't understand this process or were unable to pay the taxes and the land was seized. This is in direct violation of the Treaty with New York Indians, 1838 article 4.

Treaties are the supreme law of the land. We still honor our end of the treaties, so why doesn't the United States? In part because we choose to go along with the federal guidelines of a "federally recognized tribe". We have voluntarily not exerted our Sovereign status. Nearly every time we abide by federal incursion we lose. We lose our rights, we lose our sovereignty, we weaken our Nation. Every time we negotiate gaming compacts and sign them we are losing our Sovereign right of self-governance and self-determination. Our casinos and businesses are located withing our Nation's borders. No other government should have any right or jurisdiction over our Sovereign Oneida Nation. It is not lawful for the federal government to make an "act" "order" or "law" that effects all Treaty Nations. Every Indian treated Nation has its own "contracts" with the federal government. Every Nation needs to be dealt with separately. Our Sovereignty is tied directly to those treaties. The federal government does not want us to realize our own supreme independent political authority that we have carried through out time. The only real government holding us back is our own. It is time to realize our Nationhood to its fullest. We need strong people to stand up for our nation and say, **"I am an Oneida citizen of my Oneida Nation, we will no longer stand aside and watch our Sovereignty disappear under Federal laws of a Foreign Nation".**

Such a position would allow us to raise issues like:

*Why don't we deputize our own police department? Our Oneida police department is deputized by Outagamie county, which means we are giving our sovereign right to a foreign government.

*Why do we pay taxes to a foreign government?

*Why do we allow non-Indians to live freely in our Nation without paying taxes to us?

*Why are we paying monies to a foreign government to run our casinos that are within our borders?

*Why do we allow non-Indians to hunt within our borders without a tribal non-Indian hunting license?

*Why are we allowing a foreign government to collect taxes within our Nation's borders?

Land also plays a huge role in a sovereign government. Just because our Nation doesn't hold the "proper federal title" to the land does not mean our Nation lost our land base. This land is our Nation's borders is under the supreme political authority of our Oneida Nation. Do we really want to copy the United States government and divide up our land into parcels and give individuals title to land? Or even make title at all? Historically, the land that our people lived on was that, we lived on the land, there was no titles or deeds and we prospered.

Non-Indians hold state recognized title to lands within our borders, that does NOT mean we lost our right to govern our Nation's land base that is in its entirety within our borders. For example, if a German citizen goes to the United States to work and live for a while and buys a house and some land, does that mean that land becomes a part of Germany? NO, it does not! Instead, the land remains under the authority of the United States, and that German worker has to pay all taxes and fees that come along with being a land owner and an employee within that Nation (us).

It is time to take action to improve our Nation status. We can't afford to stand by and allow the United States Supreme Court and U.S. Congress to further erode the Sovereign status of our Oneida Nation. The only way a foreign court should have any jurisdiction is if we were to sign a treaty to be apart of an international court. Remember these treaties were passed by Congress and signed into law by the president of the United States of America. We uphold our end of the treaties, and it is past time to start acting and thinking like a Nation. We are only as Sovereign as WE ALLOW OURSELVES TO BECOME!

Sincerely,
Tehassi Hill

K – 4th grade Science Fair March 8th

The Oneida Nation School System is hosting it's 21st annual science fair for students in the FACE Program through 4th grade. Following are the ***schedule of events*:**

March 8, 2006
Public Viewing – Small Gym, 1:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M.
Presentation of Special Awards – Cafeteria
Time: TBA

Health

GOOD MIND... "a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking" great future!

On January 31, 2006 a community dinner was presented by CAPPS, with a traditional meal provided by the women of the Longhouse. Women of the Oneida Community were recognized for being a source of support to area youth and community members in their every day lives and in times of need. A presentation was also given by Annette Cornelius on how healthy and nutritious eating can improve our overall health and quality of life.

The women have now been asked, or will be asked, to join together to discover what the Oneida Community needs to strengthen its future. They will also be asked to be available to review requests. The first request of the women will be that they identify peace makers in the community. One of the hopes is that the identified peace makers would be available to help youth find balance and guidance. This will continue to help youth stay out of the county court systems.

Five years ago a group of five met to begin talks about the number of youth entering and getting caught in the court systems. Peacemaking, a way of life that is part of the Oneida Tradition and Oneida Culture, was brought forward as a result of these meetings. The five of us talked about peace making and learned about the Peace Maker and Hiawatha. Then we discussed what would be needed to offer peace making. The first thing was to have people who are peace makers and have the gift of peace making. We discovered that there were already peace makers in the community who were identified. There were enough to start offering peace making with the understanding that we would need to discover other peace makers. And for those who had the gift to be trained as time went on. So, then the question was asked how traditionally peace makers were identified and trained. The answer was that it was the women. The women were the ones who watched the children grow. Then they would, notice their gifts, share the knowledge of those gifts, and help the children find the training they needed to develop and hone those gift so they could best serve them and the community throughout their life. We knew we would need to find a way to bring women forward to fill these roles again, because the women are still the nurturers of the children, they still are able to identify those gifts. So as not to have to wait, we would use the peace makers who were already identified then look to find the women.

Contact was made with Outagamie County and several training sessions took place. Then the process began. Today, when a referral for an Oneida youth is sent to Outagamie County, the youth and his/her family is offered peace making as an option. When peacemaking is accepted by a family, an intervention takes place that's purpose is to bring or return balance to the youth and those of the community effected by the youth's behavior. When peace making is declined, the youth received a list of requirements to be completed and contact is minimal. The opportunity for the youth to grow and come to balance is diminished. Then, if the youth gets in trouble again things can quickly move on into the court system (there are some incidents that are severe which move into the court immediately).

Peacemaking was then brought to both to the Oneida Nation and the Seymour School Districts. The Oneida Schools have since adopted peacemaking as an option, as part of policy and procedure, to be offered to youth and their parents when a youth gets into trouble or becomes out of balance. The Seymour Schools and their staff have also agreed to use peacemaking to assist their students whenever possible.

So, we are grateful for the women who were identified as supportive to our youth and to the community. Their gifts will benefit the entire Oneida community as they help to bring Peacemaking to the forefront of our available resources.

Peace making, worked for hundreds of years. Why should we settle for other world methods that do not work? Why should we continue to allow our children to fall into imbalance and destruction and not provide them with a means to save themselves?

There were 70 women's names brought forward and an additional 41 listed on the surveys handed out at the dinner. The original 70 will be listed in bold and the additional 41 in regular print. WOMEN LISTED BELOW PLEASE BE AWARE. For those of you that are interested the evening meeting the first will be held February at 21 contact Marlene Summers at Wise Women **490-0627** for the time and place - the first noon meeting will be held February 22 at the Oneida Social Services Building off Parkerland on West Point, if you have any questions call Justin Souto at **490-3854** or Alex Lei-Nako at **490-3774**- the first morning meeting will be held February 23 at 8:00 in Parish Hall, if you have any questions call Justin Souto at **490-3854** or Alex Lei-Nako at **490-3774**.

Carolyn Miller, Jackie Ninham, Cheryl Van den Berg, Diane Jordon, Cleo Cornelius, Stacy Grignon, Lizann Elm, Marge Funmaker, Lisa Vega, Karen Skenadore, Betty Skenandore, Barb Summers, Toni House, Vange Danforth, Marlene Summers, Margo Reiter , Keshia Belisle, Yako Lor Brooks, Helen Arce, Patricia Skenandore, Ruth Melchert, Julie Mehojah, Noni Cottrell, Cherry King, Jeanette Dakateau, Lean Thompson, Amanda Stevens, Wanda Jorgenson, Elaine Parker, Linda Nockideneh, Freida Clar, Cheryl Stevens, Isabel Parker, Nicole Brooks, Gina Moede, Patti Hoeft, Evelyn Elm, Carissa Metoxen, Yasiman Metoxen, Diane King, Shirley Hill, Kymberley Pelky, Marlene Ninham, Vicky Matson, Maria Danforth, Lori Webester, Barb Skenandore, Valleen Menomin, Marj Stevens, Annette Cornelius, Vicki Cornelius, Bev Scow, Prudie Doxtator, Tammy Kott, Alexandrea Lei-Nako, Maria Hinton, Shirley Barber, Bev Skenandore, Maxine Thomas, Dellora Cornelius, Vanny Wheelock, Cathy Delgado, Becky Nutt, Brooke Metoxen-Smith, Julie Denny, Carol Elm, Candi Jo Cornelius, Mindimoye, Alice Skenandore, Susan White, Kim Tilton, Sue Reiter, Carolyn Redhail, Lisa Summers, Kim Summers, Tina Danforth, Sandy Dennett, Laura Manthe, Justine Souto, Joyce Johnson, Dawn Thomas, Cynthia Thomas, Colleen Johnson, Brenda Kindness, Carol Martin, Lillian Smith, Cindy Reiter-Summers, Denise Beans, Anita Barber, Patti Morin, Nadine Escamea, Patti Archequette, Jennifer Youngblood, Charlene Cornelius, Yvonne Cornelius, Dr. Carol Cornelius, Joan Neville, Toni McCutcheon, Sheena Danforth, Jane Webster, Linda Torres, Joanne Torres-Jacobs, Amy Allenby, Laura Cornelius, Bobbi Webster, Colleen John, Joylyn Cornelius, Kathi Cornelius, Loretta Metoxen, Sandy Skenadore, Debbie Danforth, Gail Danforth

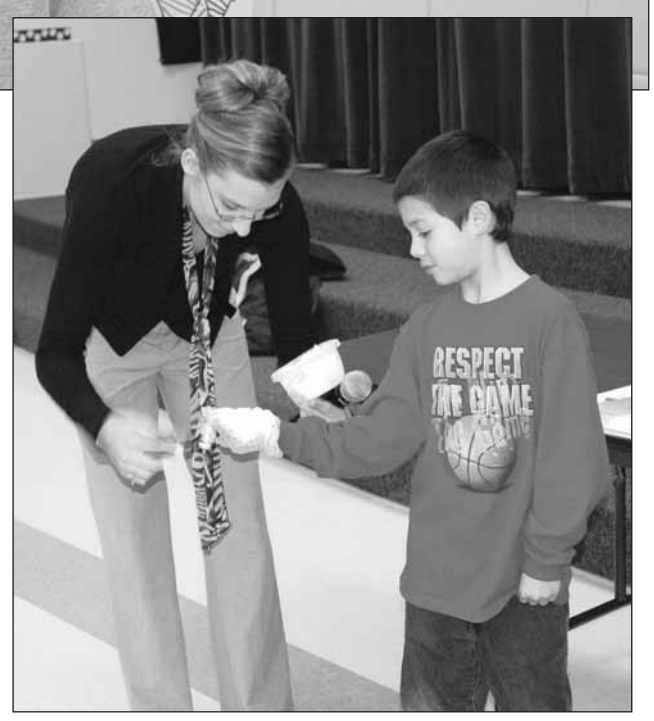
Please join us on Monday, February 27, 5:30-7:30 for our next community dinner located at Social Services Building in the Community Room. Nationally acclaimed motivational speaker and author, DJ Vanas will be our guest speaker.

This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, and information surrounding an issue.

Poster contest…an education in food





Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

Seventy prizes were awarded to students in the Oneida Nation School System participating in the Nutrition Awareness Poster Contest. Above: First grader Gavin White stands in front of his award winning poster featuring healthy foods and traditional designs. Right: Guest speaker Melissa Luedke from Natural Ovens Foundation illustrates how much fat is in a container of donuts with the help of Justin Hill.

Tour De Cure at Turtle School June 4th

[Green Bay, WI, -- The Wisconsin office of the American Diabetes Association will be presenting the 15th annual Tour de Cure on Sunday, June 4, 2006. The fundraising event is a bike ride for all ages and experience levels that will take place at Oneida Nation Elementary School.

Tour de Cure is a nationwide series of cycling events held in more than 80 cities. Tour is a ride, not a race, offering routes designed for everyone from the occasional rider to the experienced cyclist in distances of 15, 25, 50 and 100 kilometers. An estimated 250 riders and 50 volunteers will participate in this local event. Registration brochures will be distributed throughout Green Bay and Fox Valley. Sponsors this year include Oneida Casino, Bellin Health, NBC 26, and WOZZ 93.5.

A goal of nearly $79,000 will benefit more than 330,000 Wisconsin residents affected by diabetes. Every mile ridden and each dollar raised will be used to support the programs, services and research provided by the American Diabetes Association. Another goal of Tour de Cure is to raise community awareness of the disease by providing information about diabetes and the services provided by the American Diabetes Association.

The American Diabetes Association is the nation's leading voluntary health organization supporting diabetes research, information and advocacy. Founded in 1940, the Association is a community-based organization that provides services in every region of the country.

Diabetes is a devastating disease that can lead to blindness, heart disease, stroke, kidney failure or lower limb amputations if left uncontrolled.

To join the fight against diabetes as a rider or volunteer, please contact the American Diabetes Association online at **www.diabetes.org/tour** or at **888-DIABETES (888-342-**

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ONEIDA CASINO

Medicare Community Meeting

Did you apply for Extra Help for Medicare D? Did you receive your award letter for Medicare D? Have you received you plan information and RX cards? Does the Pharmacy have your information on prescription coverage?
If you answered **NO** to any of these questions, come to the next **Oneida Community Meeting.**

Where: Oneida Health Center
When: March 1st, 2006
Time: 9:00am to 3:30pm
Presentations at 9:00am and 1:30pm

Bring any information received from Medicare and any plan information or any prescription cards. If you have any questions please contact **869-2711** for the Medical Benefits Coordinator.

Contract Health Community Meeting

Where: Oneida Health Center, **When:** February 28th, 2006
Time: Presentations at 9:00am and 1:30pm
Available for any questions - 9:00am to 3:30 pm
Updates on Contract Health guidelines
Proof of Residency (update)
Alternative Resources
February 28th is the last day to bring in any medical bills for the fiscal year 9-30-2004 to 9-30-2005.

Environmental

Three factors in how to build a lake

(Article 2 in a series of 7)

As the Oneida begin the process of building a fishing lake there are several factors to consider. The first step is to determine what you would like your lake to do for you? Is it a fishing lake, a water skiing lake or a pond to swim in?

In the case of the Oneida Nation, the goal of the lake is to restore a healthy fishery to the Reservation, thus providing tribal members with a place to fish and carry on the important tradition of fishing. Duck Creek is currently in a long term clean-up process. Meanwhile, Pat Pelky notes, "Building a fishing lake now for the Oneida Nation will allow the Tribe to rebuild an important tradition before it is lost." So, we know what we are trying to achieve in building this lake, a healthy and sustainable fishery. The next step is to consider possible sites and their various hydrology, topography, and soil types.

Water

A site's hydrology and soils are related and both will affect the lake's fishery. Hydrology refers to the "study of water," it is the study of the movement, distribution, and quality of water. In our case we are concerned with the hydrology of the area surrounding the new lake.

Kris Krause, P.E., senior project manager for RMT, Inc. says, "The kinds of fish the lake will be able to support depends on where the lake water is coming from. Is it surface water provided by storms or is it ground water seeping up from the earth?"

A surface water fed lake tends to be higher in nutrients from agricultural and urban runoff. It may also include chemicals such as pesticides and oils from fields, lawns, parking lots, and roads. Runoff is mainly from rainfall and snow, often causing shoreline flooding and damage to shoreline vegetation.

Ground water fed lakes tend to have colder water with more stable flow and water levels. The water quality also tends to be better since many of the nutrients and chemicals are filtered out as the groundwater flows through the soil.

Topography

Steep topography in the drainage basin that feeds the lake will generally yield more surface runoff and cause more erosion in the drainage basin. The soil carried by these tributaries and steep slopes leading to the lake will cause sedimentation in the lake. In addition to filling in the lake, the sediment is harmful to fish and other aquatic life.

"The landforms and soil of the Oneida Nation were greatly influenced by the glaciers that covered Wisconsin thousands of years ago", says Tony Kuchma, Wetland Program Coordinator for the Oneida Nation. Nearly 10,000 years ago the last ice age was ending in what is now Oneida. During this time glaciers advanced and receded several times. Our landscape has been shaped by this glacial activity. As the glacier advanced to the east it pushed a large amount of material into a ridge called a moraine. The glacier then retreated and advanced again several times forming prominent moraine ridges and valleys.

One of the most prominent glacial features that can be seen today is the Duck Creek valley. Both Freedom Road and Seminary Road are located at the top of glacial moraines. Duck Creek flows east from the Burma Swamp near Black Creek until it encounters the eastern moraine near Freedom. The moraine forces Duck Creek to flow north at this point. Between the two moraines the glacier removed all the soil until it encountered bedrock. This limestone bedrock can be seen today within the creek channel.

Soils

The types of soil within the glacial moraines are varied. Sand and gravel deposits within the moraine are often mined. The large number of sand and gravel pits on or near the Reservation is a result of the glacial history. Sandy and gravely soils tend to be highly permeable and allow groundwater to easily flow through them. Constructing a lake in sandy groundwater fed soils would potentially allow for a cold water fish species such as walleye to become established.

As the glacier continued to melt it formed large shallow lakes. Meltwater from the glacier carried clay and silt into the lakes where it settled to the bottom. Eventually the lakes drained and we were left with the clay and silt soils. These soils are not very permeable and are good at holding water. This is an advantage for holding water in a man made lake. However, plants have a hard time growing in clay and people tend to prefer sand beaches.

Some of the lower areas of the glacial lakes stayed wet. Today these low spots are wetlands. Soils in wetlands are usually high in organic matter such as peat and muck. Groundwater is usually near the surface in wetlands and this could be an advantage for lake construction. A drawback would be that mucky soils generally don't provide good spawning habitat for most fish species.

As you can see, there are many factors to consider when building a lake on the Oneida Reservation. Investigating these factors will help us reach our final goal of creating a healthy lake with a sustainable fishery. The new lake will allow the Oneida Nation to continue their important fishing traditions for many years to come.

Working the Cycle

Submitted by Denny VanVreede
Oneida Nation Farm Supervisor

Greetings from the Oneida Nation Farms. By looking at the title of this article, I bet your wondering just what cycle is being talked about? In today's agriculture, it's all about the cycle in everything from cattle, grain marketing cycles, to equipment, and seed -fertilizer cycles.

Let's take a look at cattle prices. Feeder cattle have been at an all time high the past few years. These prices reflect the low cattle numbers in the U.S. The low numbers can be related to the Mad Cow scare, and also 9-11, which reduced demand for beef by lowering the number of people dining out and such. When the farmer cannot cash flow, he reduces his cow numbers, which in turn lowers the amount of cattle to finish and slaughter. I think prices will fall slightly this year but still remain relatively strong.

So why are we talking about this? It's cycles in Agriculture. Take a look at grain prices. Corn, wheat and soybeans are at low prices, and we are hoping for a price spike in the next 2-3 months so we need to watch closely to know when to sell our commodities. This is a classic example of breaking the cycle, because historically high fuel prices mean high commodity prices. However in today's world economy, some of the old tried but true cycles are now starting to fall by the wayside. This is just some of the cycles we are consistently faced with in today's agriculture.

In 2005 the Oneida Nation Farms had a very good year. Our cow-calf herd is doing great, and we had an excellent calving season with a 4% mortality rate followed by explosive growth. We weaned some calves at 650 pounds. Our feedlot is finishing some really excellent finished carcasses and our beef project sales on quarters and halves are showing a nice profit.

The Oneida Nation Buffalo are in very nice shape, and soon you will see some improvements in the corral system making it for a more safe and easy handling for our crew to work with this magnificent creature.

Our plans for the spring planting season are in full force, with equipment purchased and repaired. The equipment is in relatively good shape, with no major expenses expected. The new equipment should be more efficient by being able to travel slower to save on the machine but yet get more ground covered. Which all comes back to working the cycle.

The Farm has been involved in a lot of activities this past year from the Oneida Jigging Dance, Outagamie County Fair, July Bison Month at the Oneida Farmers Market, Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H, Oneida Turtle School and the Oneida High School, FFA, Wisconsin state wide corn plot, The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development, and contributing donations, such as sweet corn to many community members and tribal departments. The results from the corn plot are published in the Wisconsin On-Farm Testing/Wisconsin Association of Professional Ag Consultants 2005, and I am proud to announce that in the 95 day maturity range, the Oneida Nation Farms had the highest yielding variety in the state. This variety was the L.G. seed that yielded 216 bushel of dry grain on a single pass. The interesting point is that we duplicated the plot and overall in our plot, this particular variety finished in 4th place. Again this shows how all the planning and testing doesn't always end up the way you figure. Again your working with the cycle.

The Oneida White Corn yield was pretty good. It is in storage, with some cleaned for resale at the Orchard and some uncleaned for the Farm site.

The Farm has made some big strides in the past few years and hope to gain even more! With Team Work from our Farm Manager, Patricia Cornelius, Farm Supervisor, Denny VanVreede, Administrative Assistant, Marlene Westgor and along with a good working Agriculture crew, Gary Fischer, Leo Mencheski, Duane Ihde, and Chris Cornelius, hopefully things will run smoothly this upcoming year and show an even better bottom line, which means even more working the cycle.

Agriculturally yours,
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Oneida waste water treatment facility ready for construction

Submitted by the Oneida Engineering Dept.

Currently the Oneida Tribe has sewer service boundaries controlled by the Green Bay Metropolitan Sewage District (GBMSD). The Tribe currently does not have authority for its own sewer service area. After several requests to hook up the Site II system were denied, it was decided a Tribally controlled treatment facility would allow the Oneida Nation to determine its own sewer service areas and control where we want or don't want to develop in the future.

The 2020 Land Acquisition Plan produced by the Division of Land Management states that at least 51% of land within the 1838 Treaty Boundaries of the Oneida Reservation will be purchased. Any sewer infrastructure not in Tribal control contributes to the development of land not currently held by the Oneida Nation and raises the cost of land for future acquisition. An example of this work in process is the recent purchase of the Sanger B Powers Correctional Center (SBPCC) property where we needed to prove we could treat their failing septic system by the end of 2006.

The new facility will provide the capability of serving Central Oneida, Site One, Site Two and the Hwy. H area, Rolling Hills, E & EE, Aliskwet Court & Cora House neighborhoods. It will also allow us the capability to determine where future housing and development takes place. Sanger B Powers Correctional Center will be served with a force main under the control of the Tribe.

Project location is approximately 300 yards northwest of the Oneida Thunder Car Wash next to the Hwy. 54 One Stop and approximately 400 yards northeast of the Little Bear Development Center. The treated waste water will be discharged into the Foxtails Wildlife area wetlands which leads to Oneida Creek and eventually discharging into Duck Creek. Currently, waste water is sent to GBMSD treatment system and discharged into the Bay of Green Bay, removing it from the Oneida water table. The new Oneida Facility will put the water back where it came from assisting in recharging of the aquifer and replenish Duck Creek.

Excavation for the installation of the water and sewer infrastructure will take place along the west end of County Hwy. U from Sanger B Powers Correctional Center to St. Joseph St. and turn west into the Foxtails Wildlife area eventually connecting into the treatment facility.

Excavation for the installation of sewer infrastructure will take place east, down the old Railroad tracks down West Service Road on the North Side and across State Hwy 54 approximately 200 yards west of the Hwy 54 bridge.

Excavation for installation of sewer infrastructure will also take place along the east side of Standing Stone Drive towards Freedom Rd.

Bids for the Sanger B water main & sanitary force main were received January 31st with the Waste Water Treatment Facility project bids due February 7, 2006. The construction project is slated to start on April 3, 2006.

Any questions can be directed to Oneida Engineering Department Project Manager Wayne Metoxen at **869-4556**.

Oneida Area Faith in Action

Presents

Bingo & Breakfast at the Radisson

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Friday March 3, 2006
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Sign up prizes will be awarded to all who register to volunteer with…
Oneida Area Faith in Action

Oneida area faith in action is a volunteer-based program that serves the elderly & infirm within reservation boundaries. We primarily serve through transportation, companionship

As a Faith in Action volunteer, you choose when you serve, where you serve, who you serve and what services you provide. Two to four hours a month is suggested. Week day & daytime hours are needed

Calendar

EVENTS

February 23

Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser
WHEN: Thursday, February 23, 2006
TIME: 3:00pm to 6:30pm
PLACE: Parish Hall, Oneida
People-To-People Student Ambassador Fund Raiser
$5.00 per plate. Contact Dianne at 869-5258 FMI.

February 28

Holy Apostles Church Pancake & Porkie Supper
WHEN: Tuesday, February 28th
TIME: Serving 4 to 6 p.m.
PLACE: $5 per person. FMI, call 869-2565

March – April

Holy Apostles Church Lenten Fish Frys
WHEN: March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st & April 7th
TIME: Serving 3 to 6 p.m.
PLACE: Serving 4 to 6 p.m. FMI, call 869-2565

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

COMMUNITY MEETING

ONEIDA NATION THUNDERHAWKS

Open to all Oneida Students, Parents, Elders & All Community Members

Topic: Community Input regarding new proposal for Oneida Nation High School/Community Resource Center

Date: Thursday, March 16, 2006

Time: Noon-6 p.m.
Presentations, 1 p.m., 3 p.m. & 5 p.m.

Place: N.H.C. Business Committee Room

Contact: Troy Parr, Oneida Engineering Dept. 869-4529
Sherri Mousseau, Administrator 869-1676

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Ma-Shu-Ska (White Feather) Jarod Pidgeon

Ma-Shu-Ska Jarod Pidgeon Was born January 12th, 2006 to Jarod Pideon and Orenda Hill at St. Francis Hospital in Milwaukee weighing 6 lbs, 10 oz and measuring 19 _ inches.

Paternal grandparents are Renee de la Cruz and Daniel Pidgeon, maternal grandparents are Kathy and Wayne Hill.

Raymond Rico Dickenson

Raymond Rico Dickenson was born December 19th, 2005 to Angeline Dodge and Richard Dickenson weighing 7 lbs, 14 oz.

His siblings are Travis, Peter, William and Mariah of Wisconsin and Shayne Browning of Montana.

Darrell Hill, Jr.

Darrell Hill, Jr. was born September 24th, 2005 to Darrell Hill, Sr. And Dolores Espino weighing 8lbs, 9oz and measuring 21 inches.

His paternal grandparents are Diane Hill and Darrell John and his maternal grandparents are Sylvia DeLeon and Lauro Espino.

Everett James Danforth



Everett James Danforth, newborn son to Melinda J. Danforth and Kelly Cable, was born on Wednesday, January 25, 2006. Everett wieighed 7lbs 9oz and was 19" long.

The proud maternal grandparents are Dennis and Margaret Danforth.

The proud paternal grandparents are Daryll and Kay Cable.

The great-grandparents are Marilyn Danforth and the late Leander Danforth and Carol Cornelius and the late Gerald "Everett" Cornelius.

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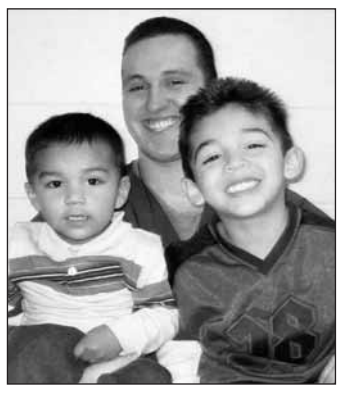
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on February 5th
Ruby



Kunolunkwa, Mama

Happy Birthday

Uncle Joe!



Love Adrian & Alonzo

Happy 4th Birthday

Alexis
on February 20th



Love Mom, Waylon & Kyle

Congratulations

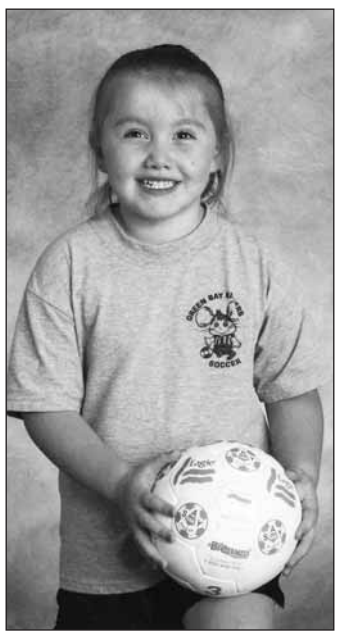
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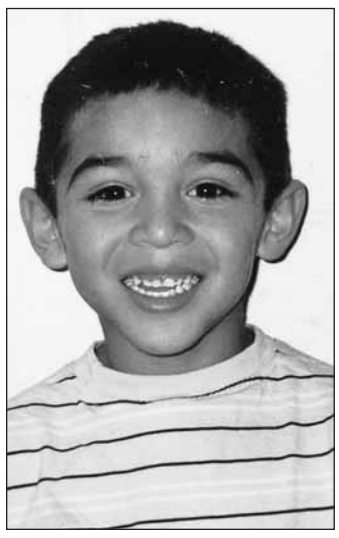
February 25th
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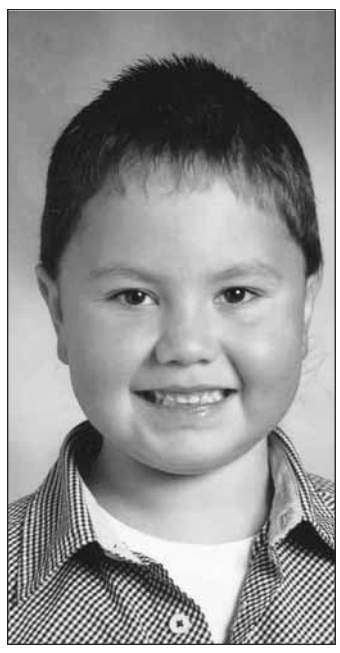
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Adrian



Love Mama & your bro Alonzo

Happy 7th Birthday

February 26th
TaKoDa John (Kenasa)



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Happy 7th Birthday

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Chauncey (Happy)



From Mom, Dad, Levi & Belle Mae

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

March 2006 *Calendar of Events*

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ONES Recognition Second Quarter '05–'06

ONES Honor Roll grades 3–8

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal
Oneida Nation Elementary

Honors 3.0-3.49

Third Grade
D'anna Cornelius - 3.439
Dayton Sanapaw - 3.403
Karissa Cornelius - 3.334
Waupoose
Ruby John - 3.281
Carleigh Skenandore -3.263
Mitchel Cornelius - 3.106

Fourth Grade
Brandon Joy - 3.349
Muriel King - 3.333
Shy House - 3.332
Sequoyah Morgan - 3.124
Maritza Nieto - 3.015

Fifth Grade
Noelle Metoxen - 3.402
Izaak Jones - 3.332
Mangione
David White - 3.315
Abalone Paprocki - 3.227
Jonathan Danforth - 3.174
Eveyonna Ortega - 3.158
Fredrick Miller - 3.001

Sixth Grade
Guadalupe Martinez - 3.435
Anna Cornelius - 3.417
Colleen Cornelius - 3.400
Chelsey Cornelius - 3.292
Brandon Andrews - 3.289
Anthony Cornelius - 3.205
Phillip Starr - 3.205

Seventh Grade
Shane Skenandore - 3.499
Janace Christjohn - 3.415
Jaylee Godfrey - 3.405
Maurense Beans - 3.353

Eighth Grade
Joshua Smith - 3.418
Layni Stevens - 3.101
Dylan Wheelock - 3.083

High Honors 3.5-3.79

Third Grade
Byron Halona - 3.720
Shantel Vandyke - 3.649
Akacia Muscavitch - 3.615
Yen<stahawise - 3.579
Brooks

Fifth Grade
Carissa Metoxen - 3.685
Diego Metoxen - 3.507

Sixth Grade
Haley Hill - 3.667
Michael Santiago - 3.571
Jordan Smith - 3.510

Seventh Grade
Jade Doxtater- 3.511

Eighth Grade
Alexandria Redhail - 3.524

Highest Honors 3.8-4.0

Third Grade
Briana Doxtator - 3.860

Fourth Grade
Yewanaka>yu -3.965
Brooks
Josanna Cornelius- 3.896
Daubon

Fifth Grade
Cayman - 3.895
Berg-Morales
Aleah Jimenez - 3.895

ONES Attendance Recognition

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
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Perfect Attendance

F.A.C.E.
Chayton Mousseau

Kindergarten
Camille Billie, Alex Denny
Ernesto Amezquita

First Grade
Noelia Ramirez-Gilsoul, Florence John

Second Grade
Eric Denny

Third Grade
Ruby John, Shantel VanDyke

Fifth Grade
Corina Lara, Noelle Metoxen, James Hebb

Excellent Attendance

Kindergarten
Jack Mehojah, Jada SittingBear, Jacqueline Hill, Orville Summers, Jose Guzman, Joseff Cornelius

First Grade
Marissa Cornelius, Sandra Torres-Mejia, Sadie Wilber, Esaias Bautista, Sonny Nacotee, Tabbitha Ninham

Second Grade
Travis Stevens, Kasey Counard, David Doxtater-Hill, Louisa Mehojah, Angalee Powless

Third Grade
Mitchell Cornelius, Briana Doxtator, Byran Halona, Dante Thomas

Fourth Grade
Sequoyah Morgan, Shy House
Avery King, Jesse Stevens, Matthew Powless

Fifth Grade
Diego Metoxen, Kaylynn Powless, Noelle Metoxen, David White, Sonny Jourdan, Devan Little, Fredrick Miller, Paige Ninham, Devonte Pointer, Matthew Skenandore

Sixth Grade
Brandon Andrews, Gage Robertson, Anna Cornelius, Matias Metoxen, Bradley Sievers

Seventh Grade
Jade Doxtater, Shane Skenandore

Eighth Grade
Cheyenne Starr

Number of students with Perfect Attendance: 11
Number of students with Excellent Attendance: 44

Lunchroom Good Behavior Pizza Party Winners

Submitted By Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal
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Grades 1–2
Donald Counard, Niko Pocan, Brandon Barnes

Grades 3–5
Sandy Cohen, Avery King, Cody Cornelius, Jesse Stevens, Kayu Brooks, Muriel King, Sequoyah Morgan, Shelia Stevens, Lacy Redhail, Larissa Cornelius, Alyssa LaRock, Heather Stevens

Grades 6–8
Robert LaGest, Maurense Beans, Konkapot Betz, Rethmon John, Donovan Robertson, Edward Santiago, Adrian Huff, Shane Skenandore, Nick Person



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Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee (PAC): Two (2) Vacancies.

Qualifications: Shall serve a two year term. Shall have (2) Norbert Hill Child Care Parent members. Purpose: We provide the highest quality educational and support services to all children and families. We empower the children through the use of developmentally appropriate practices. Our practices reflect the unique cultural heritage of the Oneida Community and build the foundation for the next Seven Generations. **Deadline date for receipt of applications of March 17, 2006.**

Board Vacancies

Oneida Housing Authority (OHA): One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications: a. A board member may be a member or non-member of the Tribe. b. No person shall be barred from serving on the Board because he/she is a tenant or homebuyer in a housing project of the Authority. c Term of office shall be four (4) years.

Purpose: The Oneida Housing Authority shall be organized and operated for the purpose of:1. Remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals;

2. Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for person of low income; 3. Providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement extension, alteration or repair and operation of low income dwellings. **Deadline date for receipt of applications of March 17, 2006.**

Oneida Pow Wow Committee: One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications: Shall serve a three (3) year term. May be required to perform the supervisory duties in regard to a Pow Wow. Shall have up to nine appointed members.

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Job Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: This position requires a degree in Accounting or Auditing or equivalent training and experience, knowledge of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS). This position requires extensive travel and a valid driver's license.

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PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

What: Tri-annual submission of the Oneida Tribal TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Plan. The Plan consists of processes anticipated to be implemented in administering the TANF program.

Come in to review what is contained in the revised plan which will cover the operating period of May 1, 2006 through April 30, 2009.

A copy of the Plan is available at the Oneida Community Library and you are invited to review and provide feedback either in writing or in person at one of the sessions scheduled below.

When: March 21, 2006
Where: Oneida Tribe Social Services Building 2640 West Point Road, Green Bay
Time: Friday, February 24, 2006 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm OR Monday, February 27, 2006 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Your feedback is appreciated as this plan will affect families in our community through the provision of supportive services related to employability and employment, and in assisting people in becoming self-sufficient.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Adoption of Back Pay Policy which defines back bay and establishes specifics on how back pay will be calculated when it has been determined that an employee was wrongfully terminated or suspended. This policy does not require the deduction of wages earned during the back pay period from the back pay award.

When: March 21, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this proposal are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

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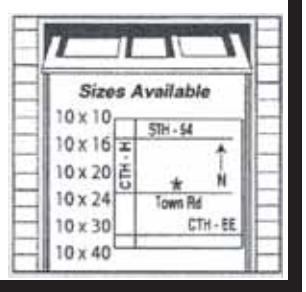
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Skenandore pins down third place at state



Kali photo/Phil Wisneski

Eddy Joe Skenandore pins Mark Medinger of Holmen at the WIAA state wrestling tournament.

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

Eddy Joe Skenandore was trying to follow in his older brother Dan's footsteps to become state wrestling champion.

His goal, however, was thwarted when he went up against undefeated Justin Schmalfeldt (38-0) of Burlington in the 215 pound division one semifinals.

Schmalfeldt had been dominating opponents all season long and that continued until he ran into Skenandore. Skenandore trailed 3-1 going into the third period, but escaped with 1:44 left in the match to pull within one point. He would get no closer as Schmalfedlt recorded a take down with :44 seconds left to seal the win. Schmalfeldt would go onto to win the state championship in a dominating 7-2 performance against Steve Virgil of Wisconsin Rapids.

After the match, Skenandore lay prone on the Kohl Center mat, exhausted and disappointed.

Many wrestlers after losing their first match of the season, would have a difficult time regrouping to wrestle the next day. Skenandore used the loss as motivation and went on to capture third place.

Skenandore closed his high school career in dramatic fashion as he snapped a take-down with 1:00 left in overtime to edge Justin Parsons (39-8) of River Falls.

Both wrestlers recorded escapes during the match. Skenandore got his in the second period, while Parsons got

See Page 2
Third Place

Welcome home celebration...



By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Singers from Buffalo Creek drum group belted out an honor song as a line of relatives and friends snaked around the room to give Specialist Paul Bad Horse Stevens a handshake, or more often a hug, to welcome him home from a year long tour of Iraq at a home-coming party held at the Radisson Inn on Saturday, February 26th.

"It's so nice to have him home and I'm so grateful that he came home ok." said his mother Terrylee Blackowl.

Spc. Stevens served with the Army's Third Infantry Division as a team leader.

"I did a lot of patrolling, patrols galore, mission by mission," said Spc. Stevens. This was his third tour of duty in Iraq.

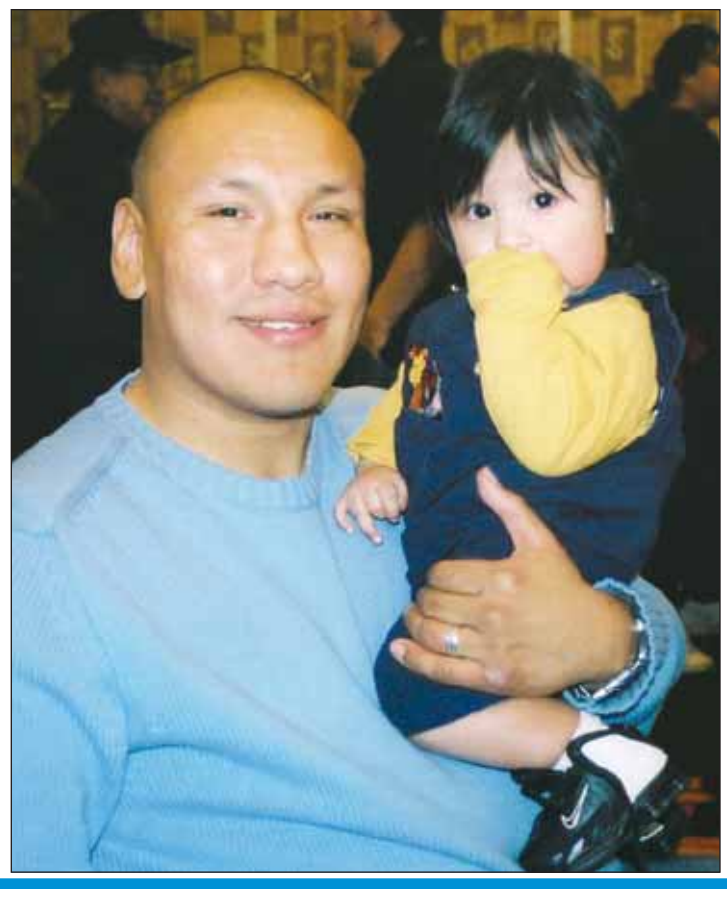
Blackowl said when her son was in Iraq -"I was praying everyday for his safety and worrying about him."

"I wasn't really scared for myself, to tell you the truth. I'm a strong believer in fate, if it's going to happen, it's going to happen," said Spc. Stevens.

However, he was more worried about how his wife Kelly and his family would take the news if something did happen to him.

Spc. Stevens followed in the boot-steps of his grandfather Ernie Stevens, Sr., who fought in the Korean war.

Spc. Stevens will be reporting back to his base at Fort Benning in Georgia where he plans to continue his Army service career.



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

Top: Spc. Paul Bad Horse Stevens receives an eagle feather from Robert "Little Man" Webster the Oneida Veterans as his mother Terrylee Blackowl, wife Kelly Stevens and Father Kelly Stevens look on.
Left: Spc. Stevens visits with his youngest brother Vernon. Spc. Stevens was fortunately on leave in the area in time for Vernon's birth this summer.

Eighth Congressional District candidates to debate at UW-Green Bay

GREEN BAY - Republican and Democratic candidates competing for Congressman Mark Green's seat in Northeastern Wisconsin have agreed to a debate series at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.

Republican candidates John Gard and Terri McCormick have agreed to debate on Wednesday, April 12, and Democratic candidates Steve Kagen, Nancy Nusbaum and Jamie Wall have agreed to debate on Tuesday, April 25.

Both hour-long debates, featuring a media panel and a moderator to be named later, will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Phoenix Rooms of UW-Green Bay's University Union.

The five candidates are

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Judge allows FBI to withhold some Peltier documents

By Carolyn Thompson
Associated Press Writer

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) – The FBI can keep secret a handful of documents in the case of imprisoned American Indian activist Leonard Peltier in the interest of national security, a judge ruled, rejecting efforts by Peltier supporters for a glimpse at the 30-year-old records.

U.S. District Judge William Skretny issued the decision after reviewing some of the pages in private as part of a Freedom of Information request by attorneys fighting to have Peltier's conviction overturned.

He was convicted in Fargo, N.D., in 1977, and was sentenced to two consecutive life terms in the deaths of two FBI agents during a 1975 standoff on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota.

Attorney Michael Kuzma said Monday he planned to appeal Skretny's ruling. "I'm disappointed but not shocked," Kuzma said.

Peltier supporters have taken legal action to collect more than 100,000 pages of FBI documents from field offices nationwide which they say should have been turned over to Peltier lawyers at the time of his trial or following a Freedom of Information request filed soon after.

The FBI in Buffalo released nearly 800 pages of material in 2004, but withheld others, citing exemptions allowed under the Freedom of Information Act for national security concerns and to protect the identity of agents and confidential sources.

"Plaintiff has not established the existence of bad faith or provided any evidence contradicting (the FBI's) claim that the release of these documents would endanger national security or would impair this country's relationship with a foreign government," the judge wrote in his decision Friday.

"The pages we were most intrigued about revolved around a teletype from Buffalo ... a three-page document that seems to indicate that a confidential source was being advised by the FBI not to engage in conduct that would compromise attorney-client privilege," Kuzma said.

Supporters have said Peltier, who is imprisoned in Lewisburg, Pa., was treated unfairly because of his political activism.

Meth drug destroys lives and communities

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

It's a drug that has devastated communities in the western United States and has been creeping eastward for years. Sometimes called rural crack, the powerful stimulant drug methamphetamine, or meth, can be instantly addicting and devastating to both those who use the drug and the community its addiction takes root in.

"There's several counties out west that they would consider having reached epidemic proportions," said project director of the Lake Winnebago Area Meg Unit Brad Dunlap of northwestern Wisconsin counties Polk, Barron, Douglas and St. Croix. Meth is responsible for a large amount of crimes in those areas.

Meth takes several forms either crystalized or powdered, it is either imported or can be "cooked" locally using a toxic soup of ingredients such as cold medicine, paint thinner and Liquid Draino. It can be smoked, taken orally or injected like heroin.

"What it does is it increases the activity in the brain. People feel energetic, hunger decreases and they can stay awake for long periods of time. The individual that I was working with told me that they would stay awake for days," said certified alcohol and drug councilor Scott LaLonder of Oneida Social Services.

Meth addicts will do almost anything to feed their addiction and communities will see a rise in property crimes such as thefts and burglaries.

However, meth can also cause a rise in domestic abuse, sexual assaults and sexually transmitted diseases as the drug makes users more aggressive, according to Dunlap.

Addicts often stop eating,

See Page 4
Methamphetamine

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***



Desmon James Teller

Desmon James Teller, newborn son to Duane and Kristy Teller, was born on Saturday, January 21st, 2006 at West Allis Memorial Hospital in Milwaukee, WI. He weighed 8lbs, 11oz and was 21 inches long.

The proud grandparents are Duane Teller, Sr. & Desi Arlequin and Sherry & Warren Kriescher. Also Great Grandma Marvel Denny. He has two siblings at home, Duane III, 6 and Desdionna, 4.



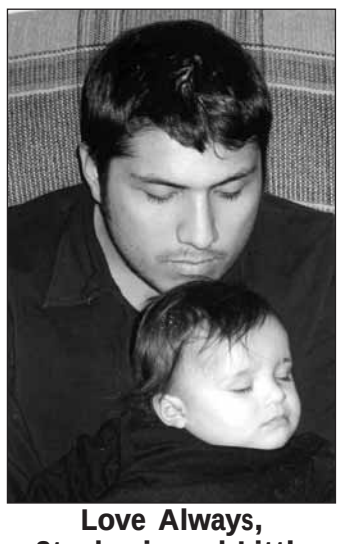
Amelia Michele Webster

Amelia Michele Webster, newborn daughter to Steve and Becky Webster, was born at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 6, 2006 at St. Mary's Hospital. She weighed 6 lbs 15 oz and was 19" long. Amelia joins proud big sister Grace at home.

Maternal grandparents are Michele (King) Peterson and Jeff Doxtator, and Jeff Peterson. Paternal grandparents are John and Roz Webster. Great-grandparents include Mike and Cally King, Joan King, Betty Doxtator, Ann Peterson, Art and Rita Webster, and Florine Dessart.

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Happy 2nd Birthday

To my brother
Chaske
on March 1st



Love you,
Malia

Happy 1st Birthday

MarjaRia Morning Song Stevens
on March 3rd



We love you so much!
Grandma & Papa and the Stevens Clan

Happy 25th Birthday

to my #1 Son
Rob Aragon Jr.
on March 1st



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Mom, Kirby, Brother & Sisters, your #1 niece Carmella and all of your relatives near and far...

Happy 2nd Birthday

Chaske Jacobs
on March 1st



Love you, Mom, Dad & Malia

Happy 17th Birthday

on March 10th
Margaret B. Danforth
Congratulations on making "High Honor Roll" and "Student of the Week" at Seymour High, and also for being nominated to Who's Who among High School students



Way to go, keep up the good work!
Kunolunkwa...
Mom & Dad, Shaleena, Shaleesa, Lata, Tanya & David III

Happy Birthday

Chris



Thankya, thankya, very much!

Happy 17th Birthday

on March 10th
"Margaret"



We're proud of you!
Shonna, Yetsi, Brennan, Elijah, Iiyonna

Happy 2nd Birthday

to my #1 Granddaughter
Jossalyn Metoxen
on March 10th



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With Lotsa Love...
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Happy 16th Birthday

to my #1 Daughter
Mercy Metoxen
on March 3rd

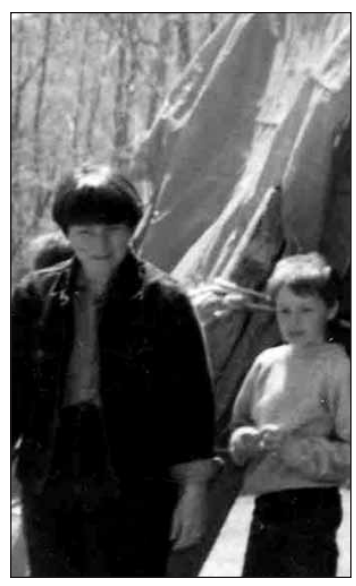


We Love you...
Dad, Von, Eli, Schuyler, niece, nephews and the rest of the clan

Happy Birthday

Happy March 10th Birthdays, to...
Auntie Margaret A. Danforth & Mary Webster

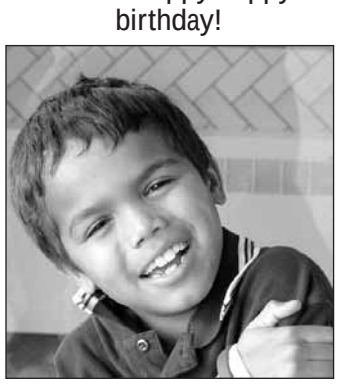




Lookin' Good!
Love Always, Margaret

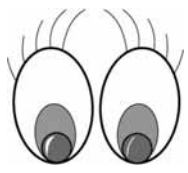
Happy 9th Birthday

Dante
Have a happy happy birthday!



With much love,
Mom, Pedro & Devonte

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Did you know...
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Oneida Housing Authority (OHA): One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications: a. A board member may be a member or non-member of the Tribe. b. No person shall be barred from serving on the Board because he/she is a tenant or homebuyer in a housing project of the Authority. c Term of office shall be four (4) years.
Purpose: The Oneida Housing Authority shall be organized and operated for the purpose of:1. Remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals;
2. Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for person of low income; 3. Providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement extension, alteration or repair and operation of low income dwellings. **Deadline date for receipt of applications of March 17, 2006.**

Oneida Pow Wow Committee: One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications: Shall serve a three (3) year term. May be required to perform the supervisory duties in regard to a Pow Wow. Shall have up to nine appointed members.
Deadline date for receipt of applications of March 17, 2006.

Notice of Availability

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
Project Description: The Oneida Tribe is proposing to provide water and sewer service to the Sanger B. Powers Correctional Facility. The service line is proposed to be constructed along the west end of County HWY U from Sanger B to Saint Joseph Street and deviate west into the Foxtails Wildlife Area, eventually connecting into the Waste Water Treatment Facility. The connection is located in Township 24, Range 19 East, Section 21, 28, 33, in Outagamie County, within the exterior boundary of the Oneida Reservation in Oneida, Wisconsin.
An environmental assessment (EA) for the development of a Waste Water Treatment Facility was prepared in September 2003. The EA has been prepared regarding this proposed action and is in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters.
Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.
Need for Project: Provide the Sanger B. Correctional Facility with water and sewer services. This will also create affordable sewer along County HWY U and additional water recharge. The proposed infrastructure contributes to the future development of economic growth and recreational opportunities for the Oneida Community will be enhanced from the construction and maintenance of the Waste Water Treatment Facility on the Oneida Reservation.
Alternatives: The Preferred Alternative is to provide water and sewer service for the Sanger B. Powers Facility and the Oneida Community. The construction of water and sewer lines will allow the Oneida Tribe to determine its own area of service on the Reservation and create options for future housing and development to occur.
The "No-Action" alternative was also evaluated, however this approach will not help assist the Oneida Tribe to fulfill a goal of strengthening the economic development of the Oneida Nation and servicing our community.
Comments & Availability: Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents from the following address. Comments regarding the proposed action may also be submitted within 30 days of the date of this NOA. Contact Stacie Danforth at (920) 496-5350 or write Oneida Environmental Department, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155.

Job Opportunities

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Job Duties: Under the general supervision of the Indian Gaming Audit Program Supervisor, this position is responsible for the conduct of audits of all tribal gaming operations to monitor compliance with the provisions of the Compact, relevant internal controls and casino procedures. The position is responsible for planning and leading compliance audits in the field, including the ongoing development and revision of the audit program and procedures, assignment, training and review of the work of lower level auditors, conduct of entrance and exit conferences with audited entities, preparation and review of audit workpapers, coordination of the preparation of the final field audit report and the planning and conduct of follow-up audits to verify corrective actions.
This function also includes the ongoing review, analysis and evaluation of tribal control standards, casino procedures, rules of play and ongoing revisions to these standards and making recommendations to the supervisor and management regarding the standards.
Special Notes: In accordance with Wis. Statutes, a background investigation will be conducted prior to selection of candidates. Employees of the Division of Gaming are prohibited from purchasing raffle tickets and from participating in pari-mutuel wagering, Indian Casino wagering, and from playing bingo or crane games. Gaming prohibitions extend to immediate family members with whom you live and some restrictions remain in effect for two years following separation of employment with the Division of Gaming.
This position requires extensive travel and a valid driver's license.
Job Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: This position requires a degree in Accounting or Auditing or equivalent training and experience, knowledge of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS). Knowledge of the Wisconsin State/Tribal Compacts, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, casino gaming minimum internal control standards, casino internal policies and procedures and the AICPA casino auditing standardsand knowledge and application of professional accounting and auditing standards including, Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and the AICPA casino auditing standards. Prior knowledge of casino gaming minimum internal control standards, casino internal policies and procedures is preferred. This position requires extensive travel and a valid driver's license.
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ATTENTION: ONHS COACHING POSITION
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Please submit a resume and letter of interest to Lance Kelley, located at the high school, by March 24, 2006.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Adoption of Back Pay Policy which defines back bay and establishes specifics on how back pay will be calculated when it has been determined that an employee was wrongfully terminated or suspended. This policy does not require the deduction of wages earned during the back pay period from the back pay award.

When: March 21, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this proposal are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

What: Tri-annual submission of the Oneida Tribal TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Plan. The Plan consists of processes anticipated to be implemented in administering the TANF program.

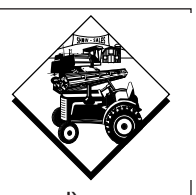
Come in to review what is contained in the revised plan which will cover the operating period of May 1, 2006 through April 30, 2009.

A copy of the Plan is available at the Oneida Community Library and you are invited to review and provide feedback either in writing or in person at one of the sessions scheduled below.

When: March 21, 2006
Where: Oneida Tribe Social Services Building 2640 West Point Road, Green Bay
Time: Friday, February 24, 2006 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm OR Monday, February 27, 2006 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

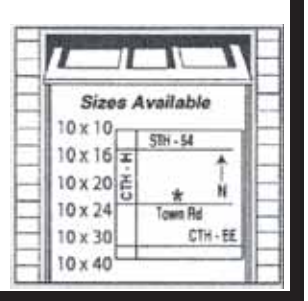
Your feedback is appreciated as this plan will affect families in our community through the provision of supportive services related to employability and employment, and in assisting people in becoming self-sufficient.

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Sports

Thunderhawk boys lose to Lourdes



Kalih photo/ Phil Wisneski

Oneida's Gavin Hill dishes a pass to Scott Lynk (52) during their WIAA opening round defeat at Oshkosh Lourdes. The second seeded Knights defeated the Thunderhawks 66-38

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation boys basketball team found out the hard way what it's like to run into a buzz saw. That buzz saw was the Oshkosh Lourdes Knights. The Knights returned most of their players from a year ago that lost in the WIAA division four state championship game. Their experience, execution and intensity was the difference in a 66-38 win over Oneida.

"They are a very disciplined and well coached team," Oneida head coach Scott Murray said. "Their execution really hurt us."

That execution lead to a 22-12 first quarter lead and the game was never close the rest of the way. Senior Josh Christjohn single handedly tried to keep the game close as he poured in nine first quarter points.

"I thought Josh came out and really played hard," Murray said. "He wasn't intimidated by them and took it to them for one quarter."

Foul trouble hampered Christjohn the rest of the game and he remained scoreless the rest of the game.

The game got out of hand in the second quarter as the Thunderhawks could only manage four points in that stanza, while the Knights dropped in 18 to make it a 40-16 score at the half.

Senior Gavin Hill, held scoreless in the first half, came to life in the second half as he scored all 11 of his points after intermission. Hill poured in seven in the third quarter, which was highlighted by a dramatic block off the backboard of Lourdes Michael Kinderman.

The Knights emptied their bench in the fourth quarter and the games momentum switched to Oneida's side. It was too little too late however.

The Thunderhawks continued to play hard as their season came to an end.

"I'll give my guys a lot of credit," Murray said. " It's difficult to continue to play hard when you're down by thirty points, but the guys we had in the game kept battling."

Truman Powless chipped in nine points for Oneida, while senior Scott Lynk added five points in his final game in a Thunderhawk uniform.

Oneida 12 4 14 8 - 38
Lourdes 22 18 19 7 - 66

Oneida: Powless 9, Josh Christjohn 9, Hernandez 2, John Christjohn 2, Hill 11, Lynk 5. 3-PT: Powless, Josh Christjohn. FT: 8-13. F: 15. Fouled out: Josh Christjohn.

Oneida 37 St. Lawrence 57

Oneida came out flat against the Hilltoppers and found themselves in a 18-5 hole after the first quarter.

Lack of intensity and poor execution lead to an easy 57-37 victory over the Thunderhawks.

Oneida was lead by Darrell Skenandore's 11 points. Nick Cantu dropped in nine points as well for the Thunderhawks.

The Hilltoppers were lead by Mike Saucedo and Peter Gehring. Both scored 14 points for St. Lawrence Seminary.

Oneida 5 14 10 8 - 37
SLS 18 15 15 9 - 57

Oneida: Powless 3, Cantu 9, Hernandez 8, Gutierrez 3, Hill 3, Skenandore 11. 3-PT: Powless, Cantu, Hernandez, Gutierrez, Hill. FT: 2-3. F: 13.

Oneida girls season ends

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation girls basketball season lost to Northeast Wisconsin Lutheran in the opening round of the WIAA state tournament 54-30.

Hot shooting by the second seeded Blazers and a cold second and third quarter by the seventh seeded Thunderhawks proved to be the difference in the game.

Oneida was outscored 30-14 in the middle quarters. The Blazers rained in five three pointers for the game and the Thunderhawks only had three players score. Oneida did improve from a prior meeting with NEW. The Thunderhawks were pounded by 42 points earlier this season.

Twyla Danforth lead Oneida with 15 point s and Stakwas Danforth chipped in 13.

The Thunderhawks finished the season with a 9-12 record for the season.

Oneida 9 4 10 7 - 30
NEW 15 12 18 9 - 54

Oneida: S. Danforth 13, Stevens 2, T. Danforth 15. 3PT: None. FT: 6-14. F: 14.

Oneida Nation 37 Suring 50

In a make up game from earlier this season, the Suring Eagles trumped the Thunderhawks 50-37. The game was rarity as it took place after the WIAA state tournament. Since both teams suffered first round losses the game was made possible.

The Thunderhawks came out of the locker slow at the start of both halves. Oneida scored four points in the first quarter and a mere three points in the third quarter. The Eagles outscored the Thunderhawks 22-7 in those quarters and provided much of the cushion needed to win the game.

Lois Stevens lead Oneida with 14 points while Twyla Danforth chipped in 11.

Oneida 4 16 3 10 33
Suring 11 13 11 15 - 50

Oneida: Santiago 3, S. Danforth 5, T. Danforth 11, Stevens 14. 3-PT: Stevens 2. FT: 15-34. F: 19.

Oneida Recreation keeps community busy and healthy

5th & 6th Grade Boys Close Out Successful Season

By Kyle Casper
Sports & Fitness Specialist
Oneida Recreation Department

The 5th & 6th Grade Boys Basketball team sponsored by the Oneida Recreation Department recently closed out a successful season. The team began practicing back in November. Through hard work and determination each player improved as the season went on. They were rewarded for their hard work by posting an 8-2 season record while competing in a Green Bay area League. The team also placed second in the Oneida Recreation Christmas Classic.

The team was coached by Brian Denny. Team members include: Brickman House, Brock Denny, Bryce Elm, Chris Polanco, Cody Cottrell, Kommanche Jordan, Marcus Hines, Oscar Schuyler, and Trent Jourdan.

Two Leagues to Form in March

By Kyle Casper
Sports & Fitness Specialist
Oneida Recreation Department

A Teen Basketball League and a Volleyball League will be forming at the Civic Center in March. The Teen Basketball League will be played on Thursday Nights beginning March 9th. Games will be played from 7:00 - 9:00. The Volleyball League will take place on Monday nights beginning March 13th. Anyone ages 13 and older is eligible for the Co-ed Volleyball League.

For more information or to register for either program, please contact Kyle Casper at 869-1088 or stop by the Civic Center.

March Madness at the Rec.

Submitted by Mike Wolfert

It's time for the dance! Nope, it's too late for Valentine's Day. It's the Big Dance, the NCAA basketball tournament baby! Again this year, coinciding with the college and high school basketball tournament frenzy, both the Civic Center and County H recreation buildings will be holding basketball or tournament related events in each area: gym, game room, learning center, and art room. Last year some of the events included: free throw and three point contests, pool tournaments, word searches, coloring contests, and of course filling out tournament brackets. There's sure to be more of the same, as well as some new events this year.

Events will run through the end of March with days and times to be determined by each facility. Kids can earn prizes for placing in selected events and for simply participating. Last year County H gave out prizes to the eight kids who participated the most. In addition each building reached a total participation goal and earned a bigger prize. The kids were able to vote on something they wanted for their building. The County H kids chose a new air hockey table and the Civic Center members earned a PS2. There will be new games and new goals to reach, so come and be part of all the fun and excitement that is March Madness!

Civic Center – Learning Center

By Mandy Schneider

The learning center at the civic center is still going strong. The members earned a total of 296 snowballs toward their group goal of 500 to earn their next character development field trip. The member that earned the most snowballs this month is Diego Metoxen with 34 leaves. ***Excellent Job Diego!***

The first leadership and teamwork challenges ended on January 19. The winners of these challenges got to pick from my large prize pile. The winners for the leadership challenge are Bobby Mills and Christine Afraid of Hawk won for the 10 & up age bracket, and Raymond Danforth won for the seven to nine-year-old age bracket. ***Way to stick with it guys, Super jobs!***

Homework help and the reading corner are still the most important programs the learning center has going on here at the civic center. The members that utilize homework help the most at the end of the school year can receive a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place prize, and the top reader each month still receives a $10 gift certificate, this month it is Jasmine John, who read a total of four hours. ***Keep up the great work young lady!***

There have been a few new activities added to the line up in the learning center this month, but those have to do with being here, so come in and see them for yourself.



Photo submitted by Oneida recreation

Above, Merlin and Elaine Melchert play a balloon game at the Oneida Recreation Valentine's Bingo Party on February 15 at the County H facility.

Elders in Action…

Submitted by Oneida Recreation

The Elders showed a lot of love on February 15, 2006 at Oneida Recreation's Valentine's Day Bingo Party. There was a red wearing contest, closest to Valentine's Birthday contest, been married the longest contest, a couple balloon busting contest, and of course BINGO. There were 44 participants that attended the party and fun was had by all. Oneida Recreation's next Bingo party will be held March 15, 2006 for St. Patrick's Day and then we will have an Easter Party on April 12, 2006. To be a part of Elder Bingo and these fun events all you have to do is be 55 or older and show up at the County H facility from 1:30-3:00 on Wednesday's.

Other fun Oneida Recreation-sponsored events are Bowling and Card Club every other Thursday at Ashwaubenon Lanes or the County H facility. The dates of the bowling league are March 9, 23, April 6 everyone is welcome. The card league dates are as follows, March 2, 16, and 30.

Also, back by popular demand, March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30 "The Price is Right" will start at the County H facility on Thursdays at 10:00am. To follow the fun we will continue with the PACE Program to help us all get fit! If you have any questions or would like to sign up for any of the following events affiliated with the Golden Program, please contact Kim Diemer at 833-0010.

Oneida Recreation

Artists of the month

By Michelle Smith
Oneida Recreation

Each month beginning in January, the Art Department of the Oneida Civic Center will be awarding two individuals the Artist of the Month Award. The award will be based on attendance and overall application in art.

The Art Department of the Oneida Civic Center would like to take this opportunity to congratulate two outstanding individuals for a job well done. Roland Vandehei was awarded the Male Artist of the Month and Jasmine John was awarded the Female Artist of the Month. Both, attend art classes at the Civic Center and have shown outstanding application in their art skills and a willingness to remain active in attending art classes on a regular basis. Each winner was awarded a $15.00 gift card from Wal-Mart, a certificate of excellence, and their picture posted at the Civic Center. Thank you both for a job well done.



Photo submitted by Oneida recreation

Roland Vandehei and Jasmine John show off their Artist of the Month awards.

Basketball tourney



Kali Photo/Dawn Walschinski

Matt Ninham of Brewbakers Pub shoots against the Skins in the final game of the Onʌyote?a·ka Youth Council Men's Basketball Tournament which ran February 25-26. Eight teams entered with Brewbakers Pub winning first place followed by the Skins and All Nations in third. Money raised went to the Harriet Alecia Scholarship Fund.

Local

From Page 1/ *Debate held at UWGB*

competing for the 8th Congressional District seat being vacated by Green, who is running for governor. The 8th Congressional District is receiving extensive national attention this campaign season.

Party primaries are Sept. 12, and the primary winners will meet in the Nov. 7 general election.

UW-Green Bay also will host a post-primary debate for the Republican and Democratic candidates who advance to the general election.

Sponsors of the debate series include the UW-Green Bay College Republicans and Democrats student organizations, Project VOTE of Brown County and WisPolitics.com, which will tape the series for later Web cast. State and area media also will be invited to cover the events.

From Page 1/ *Skenandore places third*

his in the third period.

In the preliminary round, Skenandore lead 1-0 against Mark Medinger (34-13) of Holmen going into the second period.

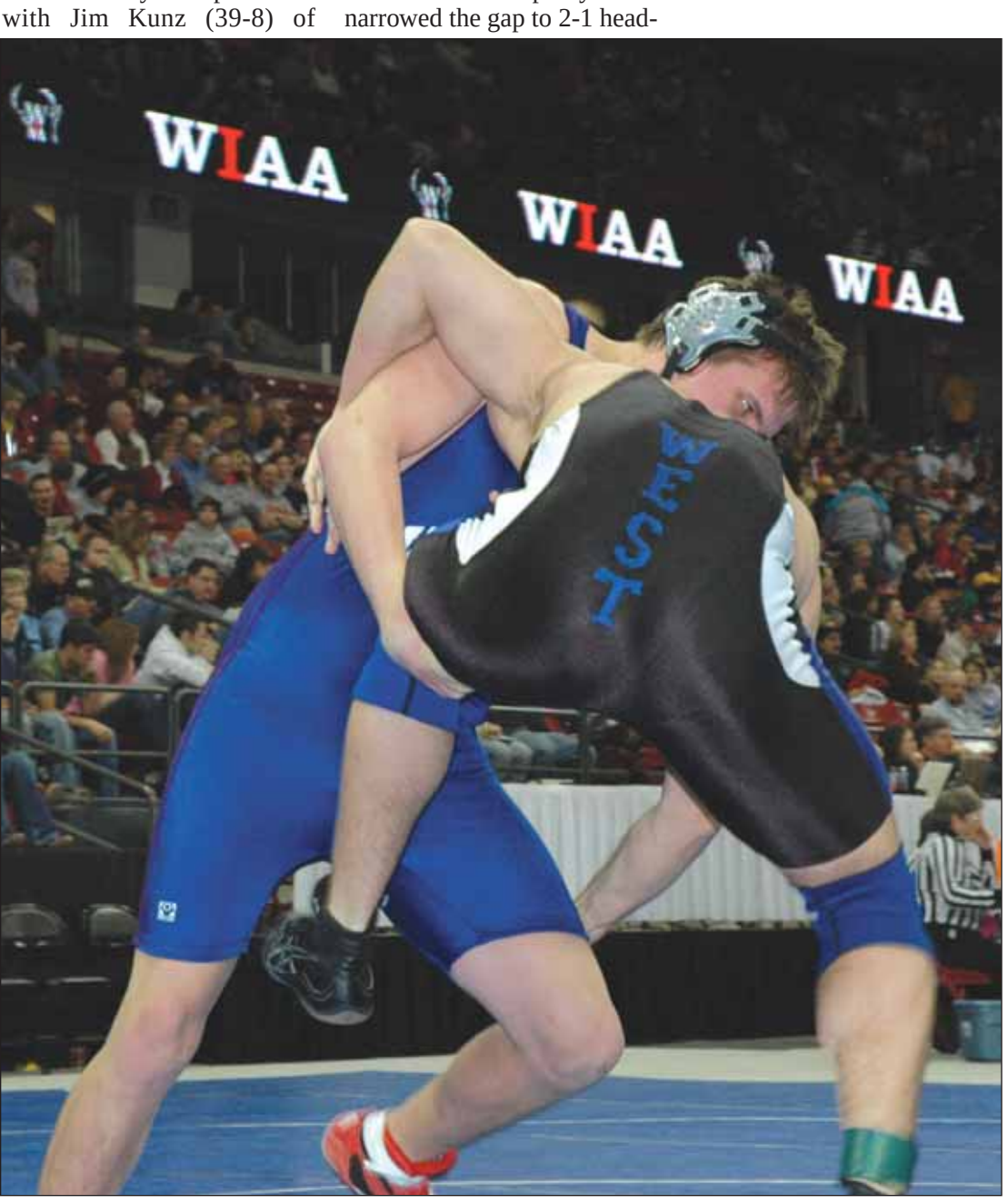
In the second period, Skenandore put Medinger on his back and squeezed a pin at the 1:12 mark.

The victory set up a battle with Jim Kunz (39-8) of Oshkosh West. Kunz entered the state tournament ranked ahead of Skenandore in many wrestling publications.

Skenandore was clearly the superior wrestler as he used technique and quickness to a 5-1 victory.

Skenandore quickly shot in the first period to take a quick 2-0 lead. An escape by Kunz narrowed the gap to 2-1 heading into the final period. Skenandore responded with an escape of his own and takedown with :20 left to seal the deal.

Skenandore finished the season with a 47-1 record. One of the best in Green Bay West/Southwest wrestling history.



Kalih photo/Phil Wisneski

Eddy Joe Skenandore catches Jim Kunz of Oshkosh West for a single leg takedown in the 215 pound division one quarter-finals at the Kohl Center in Madison. Skenandore beat Kunz 5-1 to advance to the semi-finals.

New health center ombudsman

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Former Oneida Business Committee (OBC) chairwoman Debbie Thundercloud made her debut as ombudsperson for the Oneida Community Health Center at a community meeting Tuesday night, February 28th.

"We're going to be looking for opportunities for improvement," she told the meeting attendees.

Thundercloud brings her experience as vice-president of the Support Care Center at Bellin Hospital as well as her back ground on the OBC to the new position that was created as a result of a General Tribal Council (GTC) petition.

"I hope that we can help bring resolution to some of the issues that community members have and ultimately provide better quality care for tribal members," she said in an interview.

Community members can contact Thundercloud with concerns about health center procedures or staff. She will then follow up with research and recommendations while maintaining the confidentiality of those involved. Her office is located in the Little Bear Development Center and her number is 920-869-4569.

Thundercloud is looking forward to working within the Oneida community again.

"You have to leave Oneida in order to appreciate it again, and I think it's a great opportunity that I'm able to come back to the community. I'm exited about it."



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Debbie Thundercloud talks with Pearl McLester about being named OHC Ombudsman.



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Local

Passing On

Cornelius Elm, Florence Genevieve
November 13, 1924 – February 23, 2006



Florence Genevieve Cornelius Elm went home to be with the Lord on February 23, 2006. Florence was born on November 13, 1924, her parents were Isaiah and Genevieve (Moore) Cornelius.

Florence married Emil "Buddy" Guy Elm on July 14, 1944. Florence was employed by the Brown County Sheriff Department for 33 years as head matron. She also was a member of the Deputy Sheriff Association, Past President and lifetime member of V.F.W Post 7784 Ladies Auxiliary in Oneida for many years. She was a member of the Oneida Methodist Church and sang in the choir. She also sang with the Oneida Singers.

She leaves to cherish her memory 2 sons Gary E Elm (Judy) , Oneida, WI, Keith R Elm (Sue), Green Bay, WI. 5 daughters Jenny E. Gautreaux, DePere, WI, Bonita K Leschig (Ron), Milwaukee, WI, Mona L Oxendine (Winston) Shannon, N.C., Sandra L Zuelke (Mike) DePere, WI. Deborah J Melchert (Tim) Phelps, WI

Also 16 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren. Her beloved sisters Carol Robelia. Green Bay, WI.; Gwenevere Skenandore, DePere, WI., and Madelyn Genskow (Roger) Waupaca, WI. and a host of relatives and friends.

Florence is preceded in death by her beloved Emil G (Buddy), 1 daughter Carol Ann Elm and 1 Granddaughter Misha Marie Elm. Her parents Isaiah and Genevieve, 3 brothers Isaiah Jr., Ervin, and Vernon Cornelius; 2 sister Geraldine Cornelius, and Winifred Skenandore.

Services were held Tuesday, February 28, 2006 at the Oneida United Methodist Church, with Rev. Julio A. Alvarado officiating.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME 305 N. Tenth Street De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please go to www.ryanfh.com to express online condolences to the family.

Our mother fought a good fight, she kept the faith, and she knew to be absent from this body is to be present with the Lord.

Special 'Thank You' to care givers Helena Saed, Yvonne Skenandore, Gladys Sidl, Faith in Action and all the excellent care and compassion of Unity Hospice personnel.

In Loving Memory of…

Jaiman Little Hawk King-Martin

"Lanislahawi"
He brings the day

Who was born April 18, 2002
and went to Heaven March 6, 2005



It has been a year now since we have kissed your chubby cheeks…
We miss you so much and think about you week after week.

We always can picture your precious little face…
Its one that truly could never be replaced.

You will forever be in our hearts so dear,
we know you are with us each day of the year.

Our lives without you will never be the same,
it seems like nothing will ease this pain.

We often look back at sweet memories we have with you.
It's the only way that seems to help us get through.
We realize that you are now in the best of care,
sitting with the Creator in his rocking chair.

We cry now but when this life is done,
we will reunite and rejoice with our sweet baby son!

You mean the world to us and you always will.

Lots of love from Mommy and Daddy
(Jeanette King and Jesse Martin)

Senior smokers have new way to quit

It is never too late to quit smoking, and for seniors eligible for Medicare, getting help to quit just became a lot more affordable. Medicare now covers prescription medications to help certain smokers quit. This new benefit, launched in January, is in addition to the free counseling offered to smokers that began last year.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for certain Medicare beneficiaries to get the medication and counseling they need to quit," says Dr. Michael Fiore, director of the UW Center for Tobacco Research and Intervention. "Quitting smoking can improve people's lives even at age 65 or older."

The new Medicare Part D prescription drug benefit covers the following medications: Bupropion SR, nicotine inhaler, nicotine nasal spray and the prescription nicotine patch.

Tobacco treatment counseling services are also covered for qualifying outpatients and hospitalized beneficiaries as long as those services are provided by Medicare-recognized practitioners and physicians. Coverage includes two attempts per year, each with a maximum of four intermediate (3-10 minutes in length) or intensive (10 minutes or longer) sessions, with up to eight sessions per year. Group therapy will not be covered.

Coverage is limited to beneficiaries with a disease or adverse health effect that the U.S. Surgeon General has found to be linked to tobacco use, including heart disease, lung disease, cerebrovascular disease, blood clots, cataracts, weak bones and certain types of cancer. It also includes those patients taking a therapeutic agent whose metabolism or dosing is affected by tobacco use (based on FDA-approved information).

For more information, please call **1-800-MEDICARE**, or go online to **www.medicare.gov.**

Quitting tobacco use has been shown to improve health and increase quality and length of life, particularly in older adults. About 10 percent of adults 65 and older use tobacco products.

Many tobacco users try quitting cold turkey, but only about five percent succeed. The good news is research shows that medication combined with counseling can quadruple smokers' chances. In the past, many low-income tobacco users have struggled to access these vital services.

Smoking is the number-one cause of preventable death in Wisconsin, killing more than 7,000 residents every year – more than AIDS, murders, suicides, drugs, alcohol and motor vehicle accidents combined. According to the American Cancer Society, smoking is the leading cause of lung cancer (about 80 percent of cases) and lung cancer is the leading cancer killer. Smoking is also a leading cause of death from heart disease and sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

All Wisconsin residents who want to quit smoking or chewing tobacco can also call the Wisconsin Tobacco Quit Line for free telephone counseling, regardless of insurance coverage, at **1-877-270-STOP (7867).**

The Center for Tobacco Research and Intervention, University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, has provided cessation and prevention services in Wisconsin since 1992 and is a nationally recognized research center.

New Medicare Benefits

Covered Medications

* Bupropion (Zyban or Wellbutrin)
* Nicotine Patch (via prescription only)
* Nicotine Inhaler
* Nicotine Nasal Spray

Covered Counseling

Individual Counseling This includes two quit attempts per year and up to eight counseling sessions. Other options, call the Wisconsin Tobacco Quit Line.

Free telephone counseling is available by calling
1-877-270-(STOP) 7867

Elder Valentine's dates



Kali Photo/Phil Wisneski

The Oneida Elderly Services Department organized dates between Oneida elders and community members at the Standing Stone Buffet in the Radisson. Inset: Bruce Danforth enjoys a laugh with his date, Donna Elm.

Girl Scout Cookies sold at public locations through April 2

Girl Scout troops affiliated with Girl Scouts of the Fox River Area, Inc. will be selling Girl Scout Cookies through booth sales at public locations through April 2. Girl Scout Cookies were sold door-to-door in January. Booth sales are for people who did not have the opportunity to order at that time, or would like additional boxes. Cost is $3/box.

For a list of cookie booth locations, log on to http://www.gsfra.org/ProductSales/BoothSales.htm

The Girl Scout Cookie Sale program helps girls learn skills including money management, goal setting, teamwork, and meeting the public. Funds support troop activities and provide supplies for troop use. Girls also earn individual awards including program credit coupons that can be used to pay for their entire summer camp session or other council sponsored events. A portion of the proceeds also helps the council fund program and camp costs, maintaining affordable fees for girls and their families.

One of the things that makes the Girl Scout Cookie Sale different from most youth fundraisers is that a portion of the revenue goes directly to troops. Girls within each troop then decide how the money will be spent. The volunteer board of directors of Girl Scouts of the Fox River Area, Inc. allocates remaining proceeds to provide Girl Scout services to girls and volunteers within the council.

The council serves over 8,000 girl and adult members in the counties of Menominee, Outagamie, Shawano, Waupaca, Winnebago, and a portion of Calumet.

Community Classes offered

There will be nine classes offered to the community as early as March 15. Following is a list of the classes that will be offered:

Scrapbooking, Pottery, Beginning Spanish Club, Basket making, Corn Husk Doll making, QuickBooks/Accounting, Photography, Sewing Class and Advance Directives/Living Wills.

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Local

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sleeping and bathing. They can develop scabs on their faces and body that they can't stop picking at. Their teeth will begin to rot and fall out.

"No one, their family, nothing is first in their minds, they just want to get that next high, that next fix because it's so addictive," said Oneida Police Department patrol officer Chris Cornelius.

Deprived of meth, users might crash and sleep for days. They could become paranoid, depressed and irritable.

"Homemade meth has sort of filled in the gap in rural areas where there was a lower availability of crack cocaine," said Dunlap.

In October of 2005, the state of Wisconsin restricted the purchase of over-the-counter cold medicines that contain pseudoephedrine, the key ingredient needed for making meth. People wishing to purchase such medicines must show a drivers licence to a licensed pharmacist and are limited to 250 pills every 30 days.

"It's been proven historically in other states that this type of legislation is effective, and we already think that we're starting to see the effects now," said Dunlap.

However, there is a rise in a smokable form of meth called "ice" from Mexico.

"We started to see an increase in the importation of that drug statewide and specifically in this (eastern Wisconsin) area." said Dunlap.

Unlike the former pattern of targeting rural areas, ice is competing for a share in the urban crack cocaine market.

"That has us very concerned just because how nasty meth is when compared to crack," said Dunlap.

Ironically, it's Oneida's connection with urban areas such as Green Bay and Milwaukee that kept meth from becoming a factor here, as drug addicts in the area had access to crack cocaine.

"Crack is bad, meth is worse," said Dunlap.

Officer Cornelius worked with the Brown County Drug Task force for three years.

"I worked undercover and purchased meth in the Brown County area, and we also did have some information that meth is here on the reservation," she said.

As part of her training, she went to the FBI academy in Quantico, Virginia and learned the process of making meth.

"Stuff that you wouldn't normally ingest into your own body are chemicals that are used in the process of making it," she said.

Both Cornelius and LaLonder say that meth addicts rarely start on meth, but work their way up to the drug.

"They'll start using marijuana and then they'll start experimenting with cocaine and by the time they get to crystal meth, it's take a toll on their bodies. You'll find young people that look about twenty years older than their stated age." said LaLonder.

Both agree that it's important that parents need to stay alert and aware of their children's activities.

"Make it a point to go in their room and look for things, and find out who their friends are, because friends tell a lot about a person. If their friends are having problems and using drugs and whatever, that's going to tell you what your kid's involved in," said Cornelius.

"Know where they are and know what they're doing. There's so many youth that have way too much freedom these days." said LaLonder.

Most importantly, they advise that the best way to fight an addiction is to never try drugs.

"Even addicts will say that. The first time they tried something, they were addicted and hooked," said Cornelius.

Warning signs

Things to look for:

*Aggressive, paranoid or hyperactive behavior
*extreme weight loss
*Scabs or sores

Signs of a meth lab:

*Headless matches
*Batteries
*An odor like cat urine
*LP tanks
*Large amounts of over te counter cold medicine

To report possible drug activity:
Oneida Police Department:
920-869-2239

To receive counseling:
AODA
920-490-3790
Crisis Center
920-436-8888

Community Education Center

March computer classes announced

By Bob O'Donnell
CEC Computer Instructor

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced its schedule of computer classes for March. Classes are free for tribal members and employees, and held at the Center's location at 2632 S. Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced training in Corel WordPerfect Office and Microsoft Office software, the Community Education Center also offers classes for those who are new to computers and would like to learn more about how to use computers at home or work.

Among the classes to be offered in March are"Computer for Beginners" which is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, March 7. This three-session class provides those who have little or no prior computer experience with a basic understanding of how to use computers. A three-session class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows XP" will be offered starting on Tuesday, March 14.

There will be "Introduction to Microsoft Internet Explorer" classes offered on March 7 and March 14. These one-hour classes provides students with a basic understanding of how to use Explorer to navigate the Internet. There will be"Introduction to Digital Imaging and Digital Cameras" classes on March 10 and 24.

For those looking to learn word processing for home or work, an introductory class on Corel WordPerfect will begin on Wednesday, March 8. There will be an introductory class on Microsoft Word beginning on Tuesday, March 21. Both these classes provide students with an understanding of the basics of using a computer typing letters, reports, etc.

Those who would like to learn how to use computer spreadsheets can attend an introductory class, the Center offers classes on both Corel Quattro Pro and Microsoft Excel. Introductory classes in both software programs start on Tuesday, March 7.

Also in March, the Community Education Center will be offering classes on Microsoft Access, Microsoft

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Computer classes

Calendar

EVENTS

March – April

Holy Apostles Church Lenten Fish Frys
WHEN: March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st & April 7th
TIME: Serving 3 to 6 p.m.
PLACE: Parish Hall
$8.00 per plate, FMI, call 869-2565

April 1st

33rd Annual AIRO Pow Wow
WHEN : Saturday, April 1st
TIME: Grand Entries 1:00pm & 7:00pm
PLACE: Berg Gym, UW-Stevens Point Campus
Admission: $4 or $3 with student ID. Includes feast at 5:00. Everyone is welcome! Sponsored by UWSP Student body. Call 715-346-3576 for more information.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682**.

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
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Do you know us?



Photo submitted by Barb Skenandore

This photo comes from the Melody (Doran) Skenandore Collection. The photo is from her mother's side of the family (Lois Smith). Melody's grandparents on her mother's side are Ernest Smith and Virginia (Vergie) (Coulon) Smith.
If you have any information about the identities of the people in this picture, please contact the Oneida Community Library at (920) 869-2210 or write to: Oneida Community Library, PO Box 365, Oneida WI, 54155.

Wisconsin Indian Golf Association (WIGA)

…was established in 1979 to promote the game of golf as an activity, to teach the rules and etiquette of the game and to bring together members of the Wisconsin Indian Tribes to renew friendships and make new ones. At the present time, the Association promotes four golf tournaments which are held throughout the state (Oneida, Ho-Chunk, Lac Courtes Oreilles and Strockbridge/Munsee) providing competition in different age groups (Adult and Juniors).

Anyone interested in participating in these outings may do so. There is a $2.00 fee per event, which will cover your enrollment as a member of the Association as well as being placed on our mailing list.

Once you are on the list, you will receive tournament dates and related information as well as notification of membership meetings.

WISCONSIN INDIAN GOLF ASSOCIATION

Our mailing list will be updated in 2006 to provide all Wisconsin Indian golfers the opportunity to become members or our great organization and to participate in our tournaments.

Please call Dale at 920.869.2322 for more information.



Thunderhawk Times

Thank You...

The Oneida Nation High School Senior Class Representatives would like to take the time the thank these particular groups and organizations for their generous donations for our Indian Taco Sale Fund-Raiser held February 2nd at the Parish Hall: The Oneida Nation farm for your meat donation, the Oneida Parish Hall for the use of your facility, Coca-Cola Sales Center for your Coke product donation and the Oneida Bingo and Casino for your bingo pass donations.

Also, a huge thank you to Marlene Ninham, Brenda Lynk, Vanny Wheelock, Cindy Thomas, Chastity Ninham, Ashley Ninham and Tom Kenote for your help during our fund-raiser. The "Class of 2006" raised a total of $763.50.

Thank You,
Anthony Gutierrez-President
Scott Lynk-Vice President
Salisha Ninham-Treasurer
Virgil Stevens-Secretary

Hybrid Vehicles are Becoming a Consideration for Many Motorists

by Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

As many of you may or may not know hybrid vehicles are becoming very popular, especially with recent gas prices. Toyota's Prius cannot even stay on the lot for more than 20 hours.

With their rise in popularity, many manufactures are now adding them into their line up. Even big-name luxury companies are making a move to high efficiency vehicles. Lexus, for example, is making hybrid versions of their popular LS sedans and RX series SUVs.

Along with the new found popularity of hybrids, some people are beginning to speculate whether or not these zero emissions vehicles are all that their worked up to be, saying they're not worth the added price (about $3,000).

But hybrids aren't little budget-grade vehicles. Most of them offer many high tech features including Blue tooth, voice activated navigation, and premium sound packages on top of their added MPG rating.

Purchasing a hybrid vehicle will entitle you to a two thousand dollar tax deduction, which translates to a one time tax savings of about $500.

Diesel is also another good choice on saving fuel, with some vehicles offering as good as 46 mile per gallon on the highway.

If you don't have the money to purchase a new vehicle, here are a few tips on saving gas: Use cruise control on the highway, avoid accelerating hard after stops and even having proper inflated tires helps a little.

Tempe Wants Wi-Fi

by Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

Tempe Arizona, a Phoenix suburb, wants wireless internet available for its residents. If the plan goes through, Tempe will be the first city in the United States to have wireless internet throughout its entire 40-square-mile area.

Officials hope their easily accessible high speed internet will act as a good economic development tool. The network will be setup through 400 antenna boxes mounted on light poles throughout the city. NeoReach Wireless, the provider of this service, will sell access primarily through other providers.

How about it, Oneida?

Tuesdays with Earl

by Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

Hurray. From here on out every Tuesday we will be meeting with Earl Metoxen to discuss . . . well, stuff, I guess.

This week we discussed the historical importance of jigging in the Oneida community as it was illustrated in his drawing. The heated discussion involved everything from applying jigging as a metaphor to the Oneida people, to the age and culture progression from where your contemplating and thinking, to when you're acting and doing.

Well these discussions are to say the very least, interesting, as Earl is an interesting guy. But I am eagerly awaiting the next discussion to get a new look and interpretation on what would otherwise be just simple drawings.

Wal-Mart Gets a Bad Rap

by Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

Wal-Mart has gotten its share of bad press lately but, in my opinion, Wal-Mart is a great and very successful business. Being the world's largest company, I think, also makes it the best. Selling $244.5 billion in merchandise last year tells me that Wal-Mart probably wont be going out of business anytime soon.

Wal-Mart gets along with mostly every other business. After reading several articles, I've heard nothing but good from people about Wal-Mart. For many suppliers though, the only thing worse than doing business with Wal-Mart is not doing business with Wal-Mart . Last year 7.5 cents of every dollar spent in any store in the U.S. went to the retailer.

Rethinking Wal-Mart

by Earl Elm
ONHS junior

Wal-Mart, the world's biggest retailer and company, has been in the hot seat lately. Here's another perspective. Wal-Mart sold $244.5 billion in goods last year. To be the best, you have to beat the rest by any means necessary. That's what I think Wal-Mart's motto is. But who knows? Wal-Mart does have good prices, but they have also raised some issues in regards to the pay and benefits to their employees and the way they do business with their suppliers. Basically Wal-Mart tells their suppliers that they will sell the products at their prices. Otherwise, how could they sell a large jar of pickles for $2.97? So, Wal-Mart customers are happy. But their employees and suppliers might not be so happy.

My Scoop

Conservation is important

by Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

Conservation is it is important. Conservationists are trying to help with the environment, helping the wildlife, forest and our natural resources. Natural resources are very essential for everybody and everything as far as our spiritual and physical health. Everyone should be involved in conserving in our environment.

Conservation should be a part of everyone's life. We should all help out at one point or another . What I do to help out with the environment is recycle. I also don't litter. Recycling is a big part because we are not destroying the environment when we reuse garbage.

There are improvements that could be made to help recycling. It should be required by law. This would be a big help to the environment! People can also volunteer to clean up garbage off the roads and highways, or the woods.

What can you do? Tell people not to litter and be sure you don't do it yourself. Conserve whatever you can.

Oneida Nation Website

by Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

A look at the Oneida Nation Website tells you that members of this organization value their culture. Their culture is very important, including the different ceremonies, clans, pow-wows, and many more things. There are a lot of different ceremonies that they do that are very important to these people, such as long house.

The Business Committee is also very important, because these are the people that make a lot of decisions for the community. Anything they do will affect all of this organization's memebers.

These people rely on a lot of different important things.

The website can be found at **www.oneidanation.org**

Glory Road - an ordinary sports movie with a twist

by Darrell Skenandore
ONHS junior

On February 1, the basketball team went to the movies to see the movie Glory Road.

It was a pretty good movie, I thought. The plot is about a rookie coach with the underdog college team. The rookie coach recruits some black players in the beginning of the season and by the end he has the first all black team in the NCAA championship game.

The movie got a rating of 3 out of 5 by most of critics. To sum it up it is a ordinary sports movie with a little different twist to it.

The rookie coach is played by Josh Lucas.

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Wrestling wrap up.....

By Jonathan House
ONHS senior

This year "O-town" had a few wrestlers. They were Sean Metoxen, Eddie Metoxen, Micheal Stevens and Joslin Skenandore. We also had a former state qualifier in Colorado. His name is Lakwaho McLester. None of our boys qualified for sectional's this year, but they had a tough schedule. Most of their tourneys were varsity and everybody except Eddie wrestled JV.

More to sleep than meets the eye

by Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

I'm pretty sure everyone knows the troubles of getting up for school as a teen. But what if someone said that getting up that early was actually bad for your brain and your health?

Researchers found that the sleep-promoting hormone in the body known as melatonin doesn't get released in the body of teens until later in the night, compared to children and adults, and doesn't leave the body until later in the morning. What does this mean? Well it means that teens are suffering from sleep deprivation, which can affect mood, performance, attention, learning, behavior and other biological functions. So, while their eyes may be open the first few hours of class, their brain is still asleep.

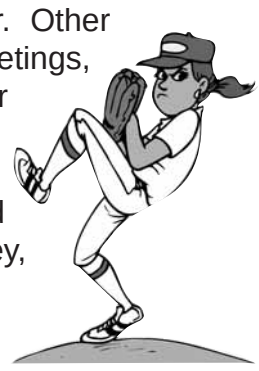
Some schools have learned to adapt their schedules to fit the biological needs of their students, pushing the start of school back as much as two hours.

So, blaming teens' troubles of waking up in the morning to late nights out with friends and staying up watching TV may not be the case. It might be that they're biologically different than adults and kids – and not that they're just lazy.

ONHS COACHING POSITION

A coaching position as the Assistant softball coach for the high school team is available at the Oneida Nation High School. The season will begin April 3, 2006, and end in May, 2006. Practices from 3:30-5:30, M-Fr. Other duties include, pre-season meetings, bi-weekly updates, & any other requirements and summer responsibilities.

Please submit a resume and letter of interest to Lance Kelley, located at the high school, by **March 24, 2006.**



COMMUNITY MEETING

Regarding Building a New High School

QUESTIONNAIRE

If you are not able to attend the March 16 meeting, we would like you to respond to this questionnaire and send it back to the school system. The following questions will be a sample of some of the items we are asking at the sessions.

During the sessions, there will be 3 separate tables for discussion:

Community Recreation/Activity Center Interests
1. Would you want the new high school facilities to stand-alone or be combined with a community-based recreation facility.
2. What type of recreational facilities would you like to see included in either situation?

Timeline/Site/Safety
1. Where would you like to see the new school built?
2. Should it be located near the grade school?
3. Should it be located in Central Oneida?
4. Do you have safety concerns at the current high school?

What will bring you to the school
1. What will it take for you to enroll your child in this school?
2. What will keep your child enrolled in this school?
3. What curriculum/electives will it take for you to enroll in this school?
4. What new facilities/technology are you seeking?

Event: Community Meeting To Get Input On A New High School
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2006, noon to 6:00 p.m.
Place: N.H.C. Business Committee Rm.
Open to All Oneida Students, Parents, Elders & All Community Members

Education

Storytelling with technology workshop to be held

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The borders are coming down both physically and technologically as Oneida will host the Storytelling with Technology workshop April 27th-29th at the Oneida Nation Community Education Center (ONCEC).

The Indigenous Language Institute (ILI) based in Santa Fe, New Mexico, will hold its first workshop in the Midwest where it will train representatives from the Oneida, Menominee, Stockbridge and other nations to use computer software to create materials in their native languages.

"There's a lot of people who are speakers of their language or they're teachers, but they don't necessarily have the technical skills to create the materials that they want to use to teach," said ILI project manager Layli Long Soldier.

The workshop will make good use of the 45 computers available at the ONCEC where the sessions will be held.

"Computers didn't used to have the software capability of us being able to or any tribe being able to put their language on a computer and use the computer, but now that bridge has been gapped," said ONCEC director Don Hahnke.

Facilitators at the workshop use a program called Unicode to allow a person to type in nearly any language and create materials in that font.

In an example given by Long Soldier, a key that doesn't get used as much like the "=" key could be changed to the ">" sign. A printout would serve a guide to which key is which.

Users then can create educational materials such as story books, flash cards, newsletters and calenders.

"We're asking them to bring things so they can leave the workshop with something in hand. They can go back home having created something that they can actually use." said Long Soldier.

Dr. Carol Cornelius of the Cultural Heritage Center is excited to have the seminar in Oneida and hopes teaching the techniques to the youth will get them more interested in using the Oneida language.

"If our young people can see, oh, I can do Oneida language on the computer and create things, that gets them more involved in the language using their medium." she said.

Oneida was chosen to host the workshop because of its central location and because of regional efforts to revive Native American languages.

"The institute is aware of the work that's going on there, so it was sort of a goal to take these trainings up north for that," said Long Soldier.

Dr. Cornelius has noticed the Oneida language that was only spoken by elders at one time is now being used more and more by young people.

"We're seeing the language become part of our daily life, and I think these tools will help promote that," she said.

The ILI acts as a resource center for to help provide training and skills for native language programs. The ILI is collaborating with IBM to put on two workshops a year.



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The "Storytelling with Technology" workshop will make good use of the Oneida Community Education Center's technology allowing for up to three sessions to be held at one time.

The center recently installed a new server that doubled their memory capacity and has remodeled the class rooms to be more handicap accessible.

The workshop held by ILI will be the first one held outside of the Southwest area.

Oneida member awarded prestigious Fellowship

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

Pam Johns Danforth has been employed in the educational field for over 21 years. She'll continue her path in the educational field, however, with the assistance of the Archibald Bush Leadership Foundation, she can focus on securing her PhD in order to qualify to teach at the university level.

Johns Danforth was among 20 individuals to receive the Archibald Bush Leadership Fellowship in 2005. She has since then taken a leave of absence from the American Indian Magnet School to pursue her doctorate in curriculum and instruction from the University of Minnesota. The Fellowship will cover 80% of the costs.

The fellowships support full-time study in academic or self-designed educational programs. The program's goal is to help individuals at mid-career prepare for greater leadership responsibilities and enhanced contributions to their communities.

The whole application process took approximately 8 months from start to finish, explained Johns Danforth. Initially, there were 120 applicants vying for the Leadership Fellows program in which she applied for. The most difficult part, she says, was "filling out the paperwork". After two additional interviews, she was invited to attend a 3 day retreat. She was notified shortly thereafter that she was one of the recipients.



Pam Johns Danforth

She began her tenure in the education field over 21 years ago - the first 6 years as a Culture Teacher with the St. Paul Public Schools. For the past 15 years, she has been at the American Indian Magnet School where she initially taught second grade for 2 years and eventually moved on to her current position as a Culture Teacher and Curriculum Coordinator.

Through the years, she has been involved with various boards including the American Indian Family Center Board, and the American Indian Research and Policy Institute Board. In 2000, she was awarded an opportunity to partake in the International Teacher Exchange Program in Copenhagen Denmark.

Pam and her husband Gerald Danforth, Chairman of the Oneida of Wisconsin, reside in Oneida.

In addition to the Leadership Fellows Program, the Bush Foundation provides fellowships to artists and physicians. The Foundation also makes grants to nonprofit organizations in Minnesota and the Dakotas that work in the areas of arts and humanities, ecological health, education, and health and human services.

The Foundation was established in 1953 by 3M executive Archibald Bush and his wife, Edyth.

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Publisher, Microsoft FrontPage and Microsoft PowerPoint. Introductory keyboarding training is also available using the award-winning Mavis Beacon software. Students can work at their own pace to learn the basics of typing and using a computer keyboard.

In addition to free computer classes, the Community Education Center will also be offering an eight-session class on the small business accounting software program QuickBooks Pro beginning on March 6. This class runs through April, and costs $10 for tribal members or $15 for non-members.

In addition to classes, one-on-one computer training and assistance is also available from the Center's staff Monday thru Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and now on Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information on any of these classes, or to make an appointment for one-on-one assistance, contact the Oneida Nation Community Education Center at **496-7860.**

Scholarships

Wisconsin Indian Education Scholarship

The Wisconsin Indian Education Association (WIEA) is pleased to provide scholarship assistance to American Indian students attending institutes of higher education for the 2006-07 academic year.

This scholarship is an achievement-based scholarship and is not based on financial need.

Four scholarships of $1,000 each will be awarded, one in each of the following categories: 1) New or continuing student attending a vocational/technical or tribal college. 2) Entering freshman at a 4-year college. 3). Undergraduate at a 4-year college (second semester freshman, sophomore, junior or senior). 4) Graduate or PhD student.

Applicants must be Wisconsin residents with proof of enrollment in a Wisconsin tribe. Must be a full time student with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better.

For application materials contact the Oneida Higher Education Office at **920-869-4033** or **800-236-2214.** For more information contact Virginia Nuske, Scholarship Coordinator, WIEA, P O Box 910, Keshena WI 54135 or call **715-799-5110**. **Deadline for receipt of all application materials is March 17, 2006**.

Purcell Powless Scholarship Fund

In 1989 Purcell Powless established a scholarship fund for Oneida Tribal members pursuing graduate and post graduate studies.

The fund provides financial assistance with tuition, fees and required textbooks to students who demonstrate financial need.

Applicants may be full-time or part-time students, and must be in good standing at their academic institution.

Applicants must apply for other financial aid prior to applying for the Purcell Powless scholarship.

Business and Economic majors receive priority in the selection process.

For more information or for application materials call the Oneida Higher Education Office at **920-869-4333** or **800-236-2214.**

Oneida Higher Education

Date set for Financial Aid Workshops

When: **Thursday, March 16, 2006 at 5PM & Wednesday, March 29, 2006 at 5PM**

Where: **Community Education Center (C.E.C..)**
2632 Packerland Dr. (Next to Settle Inn)

We will be going over the Oneida Higher Education Grant and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) process. Please call the Higher Education office, (920) 869-4370, if you have any questions.

Everyone is welcome. There will be snacks, beverages and raffles held.

Hiring Fair

Radisson Hotel & Conference Center
Sunday, March 12, 2006
1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Grand Council Ballroom

Banquet Wait Staff
All shifts at guest functions.
Must be 18 years or older.
Summer Help/On-call
$3.50/hour +tips

Restaurant Servers
Take orders, clear, set tables, guest service.
Must be 18 years or older.
Part-Time $3.50-4.00/hour +tips

Restaurant Cashier
Part-Time
$7.75/hour

Cooks
Prepare menu items for the restaurants & guest events. Short Order & Buffet Cook positions available. Part-Time
$8.50-10.00/hour

Housekeeping
Provide housekeeping services to guest & public areas, sleeping rooms.
Full/Part-Time
$7.75/hour

Buffet Runners
Supply food from the main kitchen to various buffets.
Part-Time
$7.50/hour

Food Prep
Prepare food for guest functions.
Part-Time
$8.50/hour

Dishwashers/Utility Help
Wash dishes, pots & pans, general cleaning.
Part-Time
$7.50/hour

Health/Enviro

Heart Healthy Hints

Submitted by Lori Erlandson

Did you know that coronary heart decease is American's number one killer? People often overlook heart decease due to the common misperception that it is a problem only for elderly males. Yet it is striking men at younger ages and is the leading cause of death for women. In fact, women are twice as likely to die from heart disease than from all cancers combined.

Many of you are aware of the prevalence of diabetes in this community. However, in 2002, statistics from the American Heart Association showed that among Native Americans, 24% of deaths were heart disease related, while only 5% of deaths were related to diabetes. In addition, the risk of heart disease and stroke continues to increase with age. In fact, over 82% of cardiovascular disease deaths occur in those older than 65.

Risk factors of coronary heart disease include:

- High blood pressure
- Physical inactivity
- Cigarette smoking
- Diabetes
- Overweight/obesity
- HDL (healthy) cholesterol less than 35mg/dl
- Family history of heart attack
- Age (male older than 45 or a woman older than 55)

Heart attacks and strokes are life-threatening, but thanks to advances in medicine, their effects can be minimized if treated quickly. In order for this to occur, you need to learn the warning signs and seek treatment immediately. If you or someone you know experiences any of these symptoms, call 911 or your doctor for help.

1. Chest discomfort (fullness, pressure, squeezing or pain).
2. Discomfort in other areas of the upper body (the neck, arms or jaw).
3. Shortness of breath (may occur without chest discomfort and is more common in women).
4. Cold sweats, nausea or lightheadedness.

Warning signs of a stroke include:

1. Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg (especially on one side of the body).
2. Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding.
3. Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes.
4. Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination.
5. Sudden, severe headache with no know cause.

What can you do to reduce your risk?

- Be good to your heart:
- Don't smoke or quit smoking.
- Have your blood pressure checked regularly.
- Be physically active (30-60 minutes/day).
- Eat a balanced diet rich in fruits and vegetables.
- Limit saturated fat (choose lean meats and low fat dairy and eat less processed and fast food).
- Reduce the amount of sodium (salt) in your diet by eating less processed foods.

Remember, a heart health lifestyle is beneficial to everyone, not just those who are at risk for a heart attack. Making some of these changes now could help save your life.



Oneida Nation receives money for three NRDA projects

Submitted by Oneida Environmental Department

The Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is developing three restoration projects totaling $140,000 using Natural Resource Damage Assessment funds along with other matching funds to improve and protect wetland and other habitat on and near the Oneida Reservation.

According to Betsy Galbraith, Environmental Specialist in Restoration for the Oneida Tribe and coordinator for the tribe's NRDA restoration activities, "These projects are very important to the Oneida's overall natural resource management plans that increase tribal members opportunities to experience the cultural and recreational uses of their natural resources."

A $30,000 stream restoration project for Lancaster Brook, a class II trout stream located in the northern portion of the Oneida Reservation, will be undertaken this year. Residential development and poor agricultural practices have damaged the stream and dramatically reduced the habitat suitable for the trout population. By restoring the stream channel, habitat for brook trout, and food and cover for a variety of other aquatic animals will be improved.

A second project involves the acquisition of 10 acres of wetlands that encompasses an 1800 foot segment of Trout Creek. This $150,000 purchase used $75,000 of NRDA funds with an additional $75,000 in matching funds provided by the Oneida Tribe. By protecting this wetland area from encroaching residential development, water quality and habitat will be improved. Plans include a stream restoration project that will offer an excellent opportunity for reintroduction of the historic trout population and protect the existing population of redside dace, a fish which is classified as a species of special concern in Wisconsin.

The third project is a wetland habitat enhancement project along Duck Creek. This project uses $35,000 in NRDA funds along with $5,000 in Fish and Wildlife Partners Funding and $5,000 in NRCS (Natural Resource Conservation Service) Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program Funding to restore historic floodplain wetlands along Duck Creek. Invasive Giant reed grass (Phragmites australis) has degraded this area and aggressive eradication strategies will be used to remove the reeds from the site so it can be reforested. Eradicating this population of Giant reed grass will limit its spread throughout the Reservation and adjacent areas and the wetland restoration will improve habitat for waterfowl species nesting and rearing broods in the area as well as during migration.

Please contact Betsy Galbraith, Environmental Specialist at 496-5327 for more information.

The healthy advantages of water

Submitted by Amber Langill

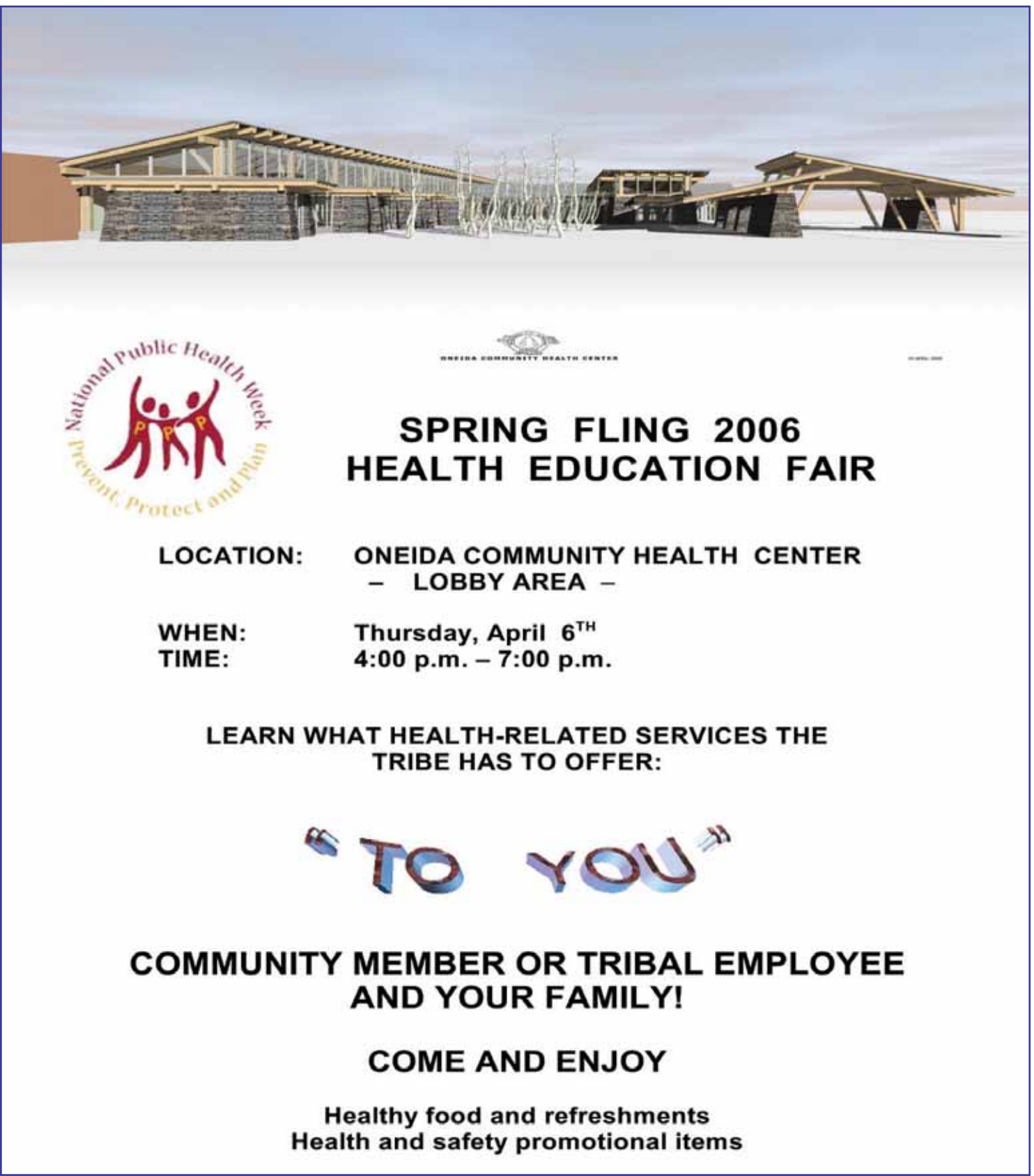
Water is a very important part to a health diet. In fact, it is so important, that you can't live without it. It is known that one can live about eight weeks without food, but one may only live a few days without drinking water! On average, it is recommended to drink 8 cups, or 64 oz, of water every day.

Your body is made up of about 50-75% water, which is equal to about 10-12 gallons. Therefore, it is very important to get enough water in to replenish what you lose daily, which, on average, is approximately 10 cups per day. Water intake is essential, as water plays a role in many important bodily functions. For example, it acts as a lubricant for joints, transports nutrients within the body, regulates body temperature, and can even provide energy; four very important and necessary functions.

Soda and juice cannot perform the same functions as water, which is why water is so important.

In addition, soda contains about 10 teaspoons, or 40 grams, of sugar per 12 oz can and the US Department of Agriculture recommends that an average person should not consume more than about 40 grams of sugars per day. The average person drinks at least two cans of soda per day that's at least 40 grams over the recommenced amount!

In addition, juice may offer vitamins and minerals, but is also provides calories, as does soda. If too much soda or juice is taken in, it may lead to unwanted weight gain due to excessive calorie intake. In turn, water is calorie free! Also, diets high in refined sugars and empty calories can promote obesity, which increases the risks of diabetes, high blood pressure, stroke and heart disease. And that's not all! The sugary content and acidity of soda and juices can also cause dental problems, such as cavities and tooth decay.



The fish in our new lake

Submitted by Oneida Environmental Department

Many Oneida community members are interested in the type of fish that will be stocked once the lake is built. The sunfish/bass family is the most widely adapted and probably the easiest types of fish to establish self-reproducing populations. Largemouth bass, black crappies, bluegill and hybrids, all members of the sunfish family, would be most popular, as well as realistic. The team planning the lake feels that we can have a very successful warmwater fishery such as this in our 40 acre lake.

The new lake will likely have other predator fish from outside the sunfish/bass family to keep the fish population in balance. Some possibilities are fish such as walleye and hybrid tiger muskies. Walleye are just great eating fish and fun to catch. The tiger muskie has some advantages as well. It is a real trophy fish, adapts well to all kinds of lake and bottom conditions, and it grows fast. Another advantage is that it is sterile and therefore it is easy to control its populations which will be important in a small lake. It is likely only a small number of tiger muskies could be stocked several years after the lake is built and the warmwater fishery is established.

Creating a diverse, healthy and self sustaining fishery in a man-made lake can be difficult. The Oneida Environmental, Health and Safety Area have had experience and success creating more healthy fish populations in Osnusha (Finger) Lake, which once experienced winter fish kills. Jim Snitgen, the Oneida Nation Water Resources Team Supervisor says, "We have had some good results at Osnusha, even though it is only a 5 acre lake. We look forward to have 40 acres to work with in creating this new fishery".

As the lake is just getting started we will need to be very careful with our fish choices. For example, many artificial systems get overpopulated with the smaller panfish and you tend to get huge populations of small individuals. Two species - the green sunfish and bluegills are famous for that. We do not want our new lake to have huge populations of small individuals. To avoid that, we will carefully select the right combination of fish species for the lake. Walleyes will be happy if we can provide a reasonable depth (25 feet) and a breeding rocky lake bottom reef.

We will not be planting any fish from the carp and sucker groups because they are very destructive to a lake and tend to disrupt the breeding habits of other fish species. We will select the best minnows and shiners for stocking based on the species best suited to the lake conditions.

Jim Ludwig, one of the lake consultants, reminds us, "The first several years of the new lake's life will be critical to the future fishery. One of the biggest risk the lake faces is the guy who thinks he is doing good by dumping in his minnow bucket, or transplanting a few fish caught in another lake to the new lake." This can throw off the balance of the lake's ecology. Another concern will be non native plant life such as Eurasian Milfoil brought into the new lake via boats and canoes. We will need to educate the community that live bait dumping and other disruptions to the new system will be extremely destructive.

Finally, habitat for breeding and fish nurseries is very important. Some patches of gravel bottom, some rocky bottom, and a good distribution of sunken structures to serve a fish cover will be important to serve as a fish fry nursery. A decent-sized emergent wetland area with depths of 1-3 feet to serve as a fish fry nursery will also be part of the lake. Ultimately, the diversity of habitats will equal a diverse fishery. The lake team's goal is to build what the nation will value most - a diverse self-sustaining and healthy system.

Legislative Review



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Chairman's Corner...

Sagoli,

Do you remember the investment Oneida made in the Marriot Hotel project in Washington, D.C. or the update describing the tribe's investment in the hotel in Sacramento, CA provided to you in December? Most recently, I have had the opportunity to experience first hand, the progress being made on our hotel investment in Sacramento, CA. I would like to share that experience and some information with you on both projects.

First, the "Residence Inn Marriot Capitol" in Washington, D.C., after 18 months of construction, was completed in January of 2005. The building went through a "blessing ceremony" on January 7, 2005 and opened on the following day. I am pleased to say as of February 2006, just over a year after opening, the "Residence Inn Marriot Capital" in Washington, D.C. has far exceeded the original sales goals. To Oneida, this means of the $3.1 million invested into the project, approximately $2.9 million has already been returned. This return on our investment (ROI) is ahead of the anticipated schedule and clearly demonstrates the success of this project.

The "Residence Inn Marriot Capital" project was developed by four tribes (known as Four Fires, LLC) who are: Oneida and Potawatomi of WI, and San Manuel and Viejas of CA. The project was made possible through the cooperation of each of the four tribes I have mentioned. This tribal government coalition is historic, as it is the first of its kind in Indian Country to develop an economic venture project of this magnitude and of this caliber.

The second hotel, "Residence Inn by Marriott" in Sacramento, CA is currently under construction, and is scheduled to be opened next December/January. There are three tribes developing this project and they are: Oneida of WI and San Manuel and Viejas of CA (this group is known as Three Fires). This hotel is being built at 15th & L streets in Capital Park, site of the California Capital and will be a 15-story hotel when completed. This new hotel will boast 239 suites and 30 residential units and will offer meeting space, parking, reception areas, a business center, a fitness center, pool and gift shops. As previously reported to you, this hotel is located in a prime business area of restaurants, office building and cultural amenities with easy access to local capital offices and convention buildings. For your convenience, included in this update are recent pictures of the progress being made on this hotel project.

Additionally, the hotel in Washington, D.C. has an internship program. To inquire about opportunities that may be available at the Washington, D.C. Marriott, please contact David Ragland at 2101 Washington Ave, NW, Washington, D.C. 20007. When the hotel in Sacramento opens later this year, the expectation is that it too will have a similar program. Lastly, many questions have been asked about job opportunities at these new facilities. Job inquires can be made with Anthony Giannoni at 1415 L Street, Suite 250, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Yaw^ko,
Gerald L. Danforth,
Chairman



Contributed photo

Above, the Residence Inn by Marriot in Sacramento, CA. Project developers consist of three tribes, Oneida of WI, San Manuel and Viejas of CA, also known as Three Fires.

Treasurer's Report



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

Greetings,

FY 2006 Budget

The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting. The first quarter of FY2006 closed at the end of December. The variances for the first quarter were reported to the Business Committee on February 15th, 2006. My office continues to work on revising the report that is presented to the Committee to provide the information that is most needed.

Per Capita

We began working on the distribution process of the annual per capita payments to the membership under the plan that was adopted by General Tribal Council. The purpose of reviewing the distribution process is to identify and solve any issues that arise with the implementation of the process. My office will continue to work with the Enrollment department and other entities that are involved to increase the efficiency.

Elder

I had the privilege to participate this year with the Elder Valentine party and being a date for an Elder. I went on my date on Friday, February 24th. I would like to thank Mr. Bob Schlagel for the wonderful date. Thank you Elderly Services for asking me to participate in this event, I had a great time!

Balanced Scorecard

The Oneida Nation is in the process of developing a Balanced Scorecard. The Balanced Scorecard is a strategic tool that works to focus on the Priorities of the Nation by reaching our Vision and Mission. There are many levels within the Balanced Score Card starting with the National level. The tool will be implemented in stages and may have a minimal effect on the FY07 budget process.

FY 2007 Budget

We are beginning to look at the FY 2007 budget process and we are anticipating going before GTC in September. The timing of the budget process and the balanced score card process will determine on whether we begin to implement the Balanced Score Card in this budget process cycle.

Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

Yaw^ko
Mercie L. Danforth

Legislative Update

Greetings. *The following are some of the important issues and initiatives as this Business Committee enters the 2nd six months of our term as the elected representatives of the Oneida people:*

COLA

At the January 18th Oneida Business Committee Meeting, I submitted, and the Committee unanimously supported, a request for management to bring back a plan to initiate a Cost Of Living Adjustment of Tribal employee wages, to begin on October 1, 2006. The submission was submitted because of the many calls received from Oneida employees concerned that their wages are not keeping pace with the rising costs of heat, goods, gas and other commodities that are needed to sustain their families' needs.

Research conducted by my Office indicated that from November 2004 thru November 2005:

- Energy prices increased 17.4 per cent
- Medical care prices increased 5.2 per cent
- Transportation prices increased 4.5 per cent
- Food and beverage prices increased 2.4 percent (in Wisconsin, food prices increased 4 percent).
- Housing prices increased 3.2 per cent
- Apparel prices increased 3.1 per cent
- Prices of other goods and services increased 4.1 per cent

Unfortunately, as of the writing of this Update, management's only correspondence on this issue is a theory that COLA increases have been more than adequate. However, preliminary research conducted by my Office shows that COLA adjustments have not been implemented for a number of years.

Accordingly, since management seemingly has seen fit to sit on this directive issued by the Business Committee almost 2 months ago, I will be submitting for a request, for the March 15th Business Committee Meeting, to scrap my Office's previous request for management to bring back a fair cost of living plan, and replace it with a directive that a 4.1 % COLA increase be implemented beginning October 1, 2006 (the 4.1% increase is based on the latest inflation rate indicators researched by my Office).



Councilman
Ed Delgado

Tribal Court Initiative

In the early 1980s, the General Tribal Council, in a fundamental exercise of sovereignty, directed the Oneida Business Committee to bring back a proposal for the creation of a Tribal Court. Unfortunately, since its earlier strong statement on the exercise of sovereignty, the General Tribal Council has failed to support any plan for a Tribal court on the Oneida Reservation. As a result, the Oneida Tribe has not been able to exercise one of the most fundamental components of its sovereignty, that being the right to exercise jurisdiction over the protection of its own people. As a result, the jurisdiction and protection of Oneida people both in their homes and on the roadways of the Oneida Reservation are in the hands of local non-Indian entities.

Accordingly, on February 27th, with the help of my Legislative Assistant Kitty Melchert and Oneida Appeals Commission, I submitted draft legislation to the Legislative Operating Committee for the creation of a Tribal court system on the Oneida Reservation. The proposed legislation would grant civil jurisdiction for the Tribe to exercise its sovereignty over such civil matters as:

(1) Indian child welfare, truancy, child abuse, marriage, divorce and other family issues; and
(2) Traffic violations, including the Tribe being able to collect fines for traffic violations, which currently go directly to the counties;

The draft legislation does not grant Tribal court jurisdiction over criminal matters, nor does it grant the court jurisdiction over any civil actions regarding suits made by individual Tribal members against other individual Tribal members other than small claims and enforcement of written contracts of less than $10,000 unless specifically allowed by the General Tribal Council by later amendment to the law.

America's Dream

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my admiration and congratulations to the owner of America's Dream, Alan R. (Bumper) King, and his staff: Linda Dallas, Deputy Director; Danette Woodmansee, Supervisor; and Keith Moore, Senior Construction Supervisor, for their 3 million dollar grant from USDA Rural Development. I know how long and how hard they have worked and sacrificed towards the development of this private non-for-profit initiative for the development of reasonably cost housing for both Indian and non-Indian people.

Preventative Health Care Bill

I wanted to let the Oneida Tribal members know of a bill I'm working on, which will be known as the "Preventative Health Care Bill."

Over the last several years, a significant and growing body of scientific research has emerged detailing the important role micro-nutrients and well-ness supplements play in the prevention of many types of chronic diseases.

While the science supporting optimal nutrition for disease prevention has grown, the average American's diet has progressively gotten worse. As we have heard so often, a large percentage of Americans do not eat the right mix of foods to meet the federal government's basic recommended daily allowance for intakes.

In Oneida and on other reservations, the health issues which confront our populations is very serious and complicated in terms of the medical issues and the resulting treatments. Often, the treatment option is a steady dose of medical prescriptions which have long-lasting and very negative side-affects.



Councilman
Vince DelaRosa

There are more than 550 federally recognized tribes, bands, pueblos, and villages in the United States. Indians, on the average, are twice as likely to die from complications of diabetes than non-Indians. This is just one health ailment. There are many other issues which exacerbate health matters for Indian people. Likewise, I believe that alternative forms of nutritional delivery systems should be considered as we weigh some of these obvious facts.

Our top nutrition priority should be getting people to eat a more varied, balanced diet, however, that is not something people can always do. Exercise also plays an important role, but many times people cannot find their way to a gym, so we must look at other options.

There is a simple and inexpensive way to help our Oneida people achieve a more stabilized approach towards alternative and preventative heath care. The approach I'm suggesting is to allow tribal members to get a subsidy for quality micro-nutrients and wellness supplements. These supplements are a way to help round out a healthy diet, they're simple to use, they do not have the lasting side-affects that medical prescriptions do and they're a safe and cost-effective preventive health care measure.

Indeed, several recent studies have shown their efficacy. For example, in June 2002, an article published in the Journal of the American Medical Association recommended that all Americans

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State/National Briefs, Letters...

Beloit officials press for ruling on casino application

Beloit, Wis. (AP) – City officials hope to use an upcoming conference in Washington, D.C. as an opportunity to encourage federal action on a local casino application.

Beloit City Manager Larry Arft and Council President Marty Densch say they want the application to receive a fair hearing, but the approval process has gotten bogged down by politics.

The St. Croix and Bad River Band Chippewa filed the application late last year, hoping the review process would take several weeks. The Minnesota regional office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs first must review the application, which then is sent to Washington for more evaluation.

Chanda Joseph, a tribal operations specialist with BIA, said the application is being looked at but she didn't say when a decision would be announced.

"It's still under review and it's ongoing," she said.

Herb Nelson, the bureau's regional environmental specialist, confirmed that the environmental impact study, often a substantial part of the approval process, is complete.

Joseph and Nelson said BIA business is progressing as usual, even though U.S. Sen. John McCain, R-Arizona, is pushing for reform of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

One component of that act stipulates that land held in trust for tribes by the federal government cannot be used for gaming unless certain conditions are met. That means the Department of the Interior and the state's governor would have to agree that the gaming facility is in the tribe's best interest and wouldn't hurt the surrounding community. Gov. Jim Doyle has said he will make a decision on the Beloit application only if it reaches him.

McCain's bill would amend the gaming act to limit the lands eligible for gaming. It would also mandate that approval be granted at the local as well as state and federal levels. The measure is being reviewed in a congressional committee.

Arft said he doesn't see McCain's proposals as cause for concern since he thinks casino proposals already filed will be grandfathered in under the bill.

While in Washington, Arft and Densch plan to discuss the casino application with Sens. Russ Feingold and Herb Kohl and U.S. Rep. Tammy Baldwin, D-Madison. The Beloit officials plan to attend the National League of Cities conference the weekend of March 11.

Arft said despite the administrative delays he remains confident the casino application makes a strong case for providing benefit to the community.

"We understand there's a lot of politics going on right now," he said. "We're still focusing on the prize."

Onondagas offer public lectures to explain land claim

Syracuse, N.Y. (AP) – The Onondaga Indian Nation has joined with several colleges and local organizations to present a yearlong educational series on the nation and its massive land claim.

Last March, the Onondagas filed a lawsuit laying claim to 4,000 square miles in upstate New York stretching from Pennsylvania to Canada and including Syracuse and other cities.

However, rather than seeking monetary damages, eviction of residents or rental payments, the Onondagas want a court judgment that New York violated federal law in acquiring the land and that the region continues to belong to the Onondagas.

Tribal leaders said they would use their land claim to compel the state to undertake environmental cleanup of hazardous sites in the land-claim area – specifically Onondaga Lake.

The series will focus on educating the Central New York community on the history of the Onondaga Nation and the importance of the land-rights action, said Chief Jake Edwards.

The nation plans 12 free lectures over the year.

Letters, Opinions...

Where is our Justice?

In a letter submitted by Ms. Arlouine Bain in February 16 2006 edition of Kalihwisaks she is seeking damages in the amount of $50,000.00 for punitive damages and $25,000 damages for emotional distress. She finishes her letter with the question "Where is my justice?"

Ms. Bain was instrumental in the termination of two employees. Both employees appealed the termination and two separate appeals courts reversed the terminations. Both employees were returned to their positions but only after 12-14 months. Ms. Bain, "Where is their justice?"

Both of these employees were awarded lost earnings. The total amount of earnings were in excess of $100,000.00. Although these employees were awarded fair compensation their reputations were damaged. Where are their damages for emotional distress? You did not lose your job or earnings in this matter.

You have the right to seek punitive damages for emotional distress. If you should be awarded damages from the Oneida Personnel Commission it would be imperative for the Oneida Personnel Commission to seek damages from you for the amount of lost wages incurred by the terminated employees.

As a member of the Oneida Nation I ask you "Where is our Justice?"

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara M. Frechette



Indigenous Farming Conference Supporters Recognized

Sheku Akweku,

I would like to take a moment and recognize the following individuals for their support and donations for the community feast and social that was hosted by the Oneida Tribe and the Indigenous Farming Conference on Friday, February 3. It was truly a wonderful sight to see how our community can come together for a common good. The participants of the conference were very thankful for the hospitality and kindness shown by our community.

The individuals and entities listed below assisted with the feast and social by means of cooking, monetary donations, and food/supply donations.

Brian Doxtator, Karen Smith, Janet Danforth, Susan White, Art Skenandore, Jeff Metoxen, Jenny Webster, Ernie and Cheryl Stevens, Joanne King, Maria Danforth, Jean Webster, Laura Cornelius, Vange Danforth, Lois Powless, Louise Cornelius, Stan and Loretta Webster, Tsyunhehkw^, Oneida Longhouse, WT Creations, Reinhart Food Service, Coca-Cola, Oneida Apple Orchard, Environmental Health & Safety, Oneida Business Committee, and Cardinal Stritch Graduate Program

I, personally, am very grateful to all of you that helped make the feast and social a success. Please accept this letter as a token of my appreciation!

Yaw^ko
Dionne Jacobs

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Any questions, please feel free to call (920) 869-4280.

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take some form of a multivitamin daily to help prevent chronic diseases such as heart disease, cancer and osteoporosis. A year late, the Journal of Nutrition published the results of the Stockholm Heart Study, which showed that the use of multivitamins may aid in the prevention of heart attacks.

A study recently published in the Annals of Internal Medicine found that multivitamin use decreased the risk of infection for people with diabetes. The science continues to demonstrate the benefits that micro-nutrients and wellness supplements offer. These include reducing the incidence of neural tube defects by 50 percent or more; decreasing the number of sick days in the elderly due to infectious illnesses by up to 50 percent; delaying or avoiding more than 20 percent of hip fractures caused by osteoporosis; delaying the onset of cataracts and age-related macular degeneration; reducing the incidence of heart disease; stroke and possibly Alzheimer's; and protecting against some types of cancer.

Additionally, I'd point out a study that was commissioned by Wyeth Consumer Healthcare and conducted by the Lewin Group. The study examined the potential cost savings – within the Medicare health care model – that could occur if more of our aging population took a simple daily multivitamin. This study also served as a means for evaluating the impact daily multivitamin use can have on preventive health, particularly in the areas of cardiovascular disease and immune function. The results of the study indicate that increased multivitamin use by adults over 65 could result in an estimated savings to Medicare of more than $1.6 billion over a five-year period.

Research shows that a significant number of elderly in our country do not receive proper amounts of essential vitamins, minerals and other nutrients, making them more vulnerable to disease and infection. To think that we could simply subsidize or make available a quality micro-nutrients and well-ness supplements and that this could help ensure they our tribal members get the nutrients they need to stay healthy: "This is something we should do immediately." I hope to have the Preventative Health Care Bill come forward on Monday, April 24 to the Legislative Operating Committee.

Thanks for reading my article, if I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact my office at 920-869-4469.

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Agreement signed

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Representatives of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and Outagamie County signed a service agreement that was three years in the making at the Green Earth Library Friday, March 10th.

"Eventually through a dedicated commitment through good faith negotiations and I guess the will to do the right thing, we were able to arrive to this day," said Oneida business committee (BC) chairman Gerald Danforth who signed the agreement with Outagamie County executive Robert "Toby" Palzer.

One of the key provisions of the agreement is that Outagamie County will not oppose putting the recently acquired 1,500 acre Sanger B. Powers property into trust.

"It's probably one of the best agreements that we have because it's an intergovernmental agreement," said BC councilwoman Trish King, "The county recognizes the Tribe's sovereignty and the process of putting land into trust."

Another provision calls for

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Chairman Gerald Danforth and Outagamie County Executive Toby Palzer sign the service agreement which cements a partnership between the governments.

Status of Wisconsin Tribes



Kali photos/Phil Wisneski

Eagle staffs cross in front of the capitol building in Madison on March 7 prior to the State of the Tribes Address. The Address was given by Oneida Chairman Gerald Danforth. Over 150 tribal members attended the address and filled all the galleries in the Assembly chambers. Danforth urged the state Assembly to recognize all the tribes as sovereign nations.

Oneida Chair delivers state of Tribes address at state Capitol

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

During the State of the Tribes Address to the Wisconsin State Assembly, Oneida Chairman Gerald Danforth was careful not to step on anyone's toes, but he was adamant on being sure his message was heard by the state assembly, state senators and other delegates that were present.

In a more candid moment, Danforth directly addressed speaker of the house John Gard and urged him to bring forward Assembly Joint Resolution 17. The resolution recognizes the sovereign status of the Tribes. A similar Senate resolution was passed last session, but has since expired.

"Adoption of this resolution will raise the awareness at all levels that Tribes are governments. We are not creations of the state, like counties or municipalities, and we are not creations of the federal government," Danforth said. "Tribes are nations of their own creation, with a long history and tradition of self-governance."

Stockbridge-Munsee President Bob Chicks echoed Danforth's thoughts on the importance of passing the resolution.

"That resolution is by far the most important issue that

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Candidates in surrounding municipalities

Following is the list of candidates in surrounding local municipalities and the position they are vying for:

Brown County
Aldermen District 11
John VanderLeest (I)
Timothy Smits
Aldermen District 12
Thomas Weber (I)
Lisa Bougneit
Supervisor (24)
Ken Simons
Patty Hoeft

Village Ashwaubenon
President (Three-year Term)
Nobert DeCleene(I)
Michael Manthe

Village Hobart Trustee
(Two At-large Seats, Two-year Term
John Van Lanen(I)
David Dillenburg(I)
Debbie Schumacher
Ed Kazik

Hobart-Lawrence Multijurisdictional Municipal Judge Candidate
Avram Berk
Ron Van Lanen

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Casino opposition crosses into Illinois

MILWAUKEE (AP) – The Forest County Potawatomi tribe, which opposes a Kenosha casino proposed by the Menominee tribe, also hired an Illinois lobbyist to marshal opposition there, an Illinois lawmaker said.

Illinois lobbyist Malcolm Chester orchestrated what was advertised as a public hearing hosted by Illinois Rep. JoAnn Osmond, the Republican lawmaker said. In advance of the March 6 hearing, Chester organized a letter-writing campaign against the proposed $808 million Kenosha casino, Osmond said.

Potawatomi spokesman Ken Walsh confirmed Chester had worked on the tribe's behalf but said that shouldn't be surprising given the Potawatomi's outspoken objection to what would be a competing casino 35 miles away.

Evan Zeppos, a spokesman for the Kenosha casino project, said it was hypocritical for the Potawatomi to organize opposition. He said the Kenosha casino would create several thousand jobs, which the Potawatomi should support given the tribe's TV ads promoting its own casino job creation efforts.

"These blatantly misleading publicity stunts ... show that they are not the concerned citizens that they falsely claim to be," Zeppos said.

Walsh said the concern of Illinois opponents was relevant because the Bureau of Indian Affairs, whose approval is needed for off-reservation casinos, conducted an inadequate analysis of the Kenosha casino.

Chester contacted Osmond in September about the Kenosha plan, seeking her help in a letter-writing campaign to oppose the casino, Osmond said. She said she knew him from lobby efforts on other issues.

"If he is on the Potawatomi payroll, I don't know about that," Osmond said. "I don't mean to be stupid, but I never asked." She said she knew Chester from his efforts to lobby the Illinois Legislature on other issues.

Chester didn't return calls by

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Officials: Urban Indian Health Service in danger

ABERDEEN, S.D. (AP) – The Urban Indian Health service could close in the next couple years unless more funding is found, officials of the federal agency say.

President Bush's budget for the next fiscal year does not have a line item for Urban Indian Health. The centers in Aberdeen, Sioux Falls and Pierre are considered one office, and together, they get about $1 million in federal funds.

Urban Indian Health gets some grant money along with federal funding.

If the federal budget approved later this year includes no money for Urban Indian Health, the 34 offices nationwide will be in trouble, said Val Jones, who heads the Aberdeen office.

That office serves about 1,600 patients a year, and Jones said closing the office would mean some people in Aberdeen would go without medical services.

Urban Indian Health receives money from Indian Health Services and focuses on caring for Indians, although it accepts all patients who meet income requirements.

The president's budget would cut $33 million, a significant part of UIH's overall spending, according to Georgiana Ignace, president of the National Council of Urban Indian Health, who testified in Washington last month.

Bobbi Piasecki of Aberdeen, a grant writer and

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Chairman Danforth spoke about today," Chicks said. "It will empower the tribes and give us recognition of who we really are."

Danforth also addressed the importance of needed health care on Indian reservations. He said that only 38 percent of the need is being funded on Wisconsin reservations, while other regions are being funded close to 60 percent. He urged the state government to help them take that message to Congress to get the proper funding needed.

Another issue that struck loud in the Assembly chamber was the need to take care of the Wisconsin environment. Danforth said that recent dissent had risen over Tribal overtures to assert their authority to protect Tribal natural resources within their reservation boundaries.

"Like so many other things, these interests transcend reservation boundaries," Danforth said. "As governmental leaders, we need to come to a common understanding, greater cooperation and mutual assistance with the Tribes in the recognition and stewardship of our common resources." Danforth said that the common goal must be to protect Mother Earth.

The last key issue Danforth hit upon was education. He stressed that indeed some Tribes have been able to offer and expand education through gaming dollars, but most cannot. He urged the passage of Assembly Bill 631 that allows Wisconsin Tribes to open charter schools. Charter schools have worked well across the country and could work well in Wisconsin.

The speech was historic in nature. It was only the second time that a State of the Tribes Address was ever given. The Assembly chamber galleries were packed full of Tribal members from all eleven tribes in the state.

"It was great to see all the tribal members here supporting this effort," Danforth said. It was an honor to be able to communicate our needs, desires and expectations to the Wisconsin Assembly."



Kalih photo/Phil Wisneski

Oneida Chairman Gerald Danforth speaks before the Wisconsin Assembly on March 7. Danforth gave the State of the Tribes Address before a packed house. Numerous Senators visited the chambers to hear the address.

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the Oneida Planning Department to work with Outagamie in mutual areas of concern such as map making, zoning and land use.

"It's a significant day because I think it's important because we need to partner with our neighbors and I'm so excited that we could partner with the Oneida Nation." said Palzer.

According to King, the agreement paves the way for joint ventures on the southern edge of the reservation.

"What this agreement does is create a relationship, a friendship, to open doors for future business whether we want to do economic development or do anything together." she said.

Another collaboration will be the Green Earth Library where Oneida will provide services to both Oneida and Outagamie residents. In return, Outagamie will compensate Oneida based on comparable costs of similar sized libraries.

Currently, the only intergovernmental agreement left undone is with Brown County with which a previous agreement expired.

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Snow train full speed ahead



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Oneida Head Start students enjoyed the late winter snow storm in early March. The storm dumped about 5 inches of the white stuff in the Oneida area. More snow is expected for the Oneida area today.

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Passing On

Smith, Grover "Good Looking"
June 6, 1927 – March 2, 2006



Grover "Good Looking" Smith, 78, Oneida, passed away Thursday March 2, 2006 at a local nursing home. He was born June 6, 1927 in Waupaca, WI to the late Evans and Alice (Parkhurst) Smith, Sr. Grover was employed by the Oneida Elderly Services until a week before he entered the nursing home last year.

Grover is survived by his wife; Cathy Smith, two sons; Tim and Tony Jochimsen, one daughter; Debra Fleming, one step-daughter; Niki Warnke, one step-granddaughter; Kiara Warnke, five nieces and nephews; Brucelyn Benson, Joyce Johnson, Paul Smith, Christine Pociopa and Wesley Smith.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother; Evans Smith, Jr., one niece; Carolyn VanenKenvoort.

Funeral services were held Monday March 6, 2006 with Rev. Lonnie Johnson officiating.

Ryan Funeral Home, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

Lindholm, (Cornelius) Sandra Lee
April 28, 1943 – March 7, 2006



Sandra Lee (Cornelius) Lindholm, 62, of Oneida passed away Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at her home. Born April 28, 1943. She was united in marriage to Paul Lindholm, who preceded her in death. Sandra was employed by Oneida Bingo& Casino as a cashier.

Sandra is survived by her children Debbie (Doug) Cummins, Diane (Keith) Harbarcuk, Doreen (Mark) Marose, and Paul Lindholm Jr.; her grandchildren Robin, Rebecca, Michelle, Lisa, Amanda, Brittany, Ryan, Lauren, Courtney, and Samantha; 3 great grandchildren Shaun III, Shaun IV, and Gabrielle. Sandra is further survived by her brothers and sisters and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her husband and her parents.

A Memorial Service was held Saturday, March 11, 2006 at Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth St., De Pere with Rev. Greg Watling officiating. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to express online condolences to the family.

Hill, Erwin M.
December 6, 1934 – March 8, 2006



Erwin M. Hill, 71, of Oneida, died unexpectedly in Gresham on Wednesday afternoon, March 8, 2006, while working at the job he loved. The son of the late Robert and Melinda (Parkhurst) Hill was born December 6, 1934 in the Town of Hobart. Erv served in the U.S. Army for thirteen years, including duty in the Korean War. He married the former Helga Balla in Hanau, Germany in 1964 and she preceded him in death on February 11, 1992. He worked construction all of his life and most recently worked with his son, Brian in Hill Trucking. He enjoyed working, and spending quality time with his children and grandchildren.

Survivors include his children and their families: Michelle and Lonney Hoffman, and their children, Hailey Hoffman, Michael and Amy Hoffman (daughter Maleea Creapeau); Brian Hill and children Mick, Darrell, and Nicole (and her daughter Calista); Shannon and Karen Hill, and children Connie, Lindsay, Nick, Heather, (and her children, LaCyia and Isiah); Heidi and Alonso Hill, and their children, Alexis Hill, Jamie Miller, Spencer Miller; Minoka and Floyd Hill, and their children, Daniel Grignon, Paul, Floyd III, and Teige Alexander Hill. In addition, Erv is survived by Connie Dambon Hill's daughters, Rosa Hansen (daughters Konstance & Alethea), and Meggie Hansen; one sister, Erma Hill Danforth and family, two brothers, Fritz and Shirley Hill and family and Edward and Beverly Hill and family. He was preceded in death by his wife, Helga Hill, daughter, Connie Hill and his parents Robert and Melinda (Parkhurst) Hill.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 am Saturday, March 11, 2006 at the Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Freedom Road, Oneida with full VFW Military Honors. Rev. Dewey Silas and Deacon Edmund Powless, officiated. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences.

Thundercloud, Joseph H.
June 24, 1977 – March 13, 2006



Joseph H. Thundercloud, 28, Oneida, passed away unexpectedly Monday, March 13, 2006. He was born June 24, 1977 to Jo Anne Thundercloud and Roger Thundercloud in Milwaukee. Joe enjoyed working at the Oneida and Mohican Casinos.

Joe is survived by his parents, a special friend; Naomi Fish, a brother; Mike Thundercloud, two children; Skylyn Thundercloud and Cheyenne Wilson, a special uncle; Le Roy Skenandore, aunts, uncles, cousins and a nephew.

He was preceded in death by four grandparents; Donald (Jane) Skenandore, Joseph (Angel) Thundercloud.

Services were held on Thursday morning, March 16, 2006 at the Longhouse in Oneida.

Ryan Funeral Home, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

In lieu of flowers a memorial fund has been established.

Stowe, Margaret
April 30, 1940 – March 13, 2006



Our loving Mom, Grandma, Great Grandma, Great-Great Grandma, closed her eyes and peacefully went to her Savior on March 13th, 2006 at the home of her daughter Susie & son-in-law Bob, her loving care givers for the past 9 years.

Maggie was born 91 years ago to James (Little Bear) and Maggie (Greene) Johnson in Oneida, WI. On April 30, 1940 Maggie married Jack Stowe and raised 7 children but Maggie never stopped being a mom and helped raise several other children as a professional nanny.

Maggie enjoyed a good cup of coffee, great jokes, and bingo. She was always ready for a card game. She loved Patsy Cline and John Wayne.

Maggie is survived by 5 daughters and 2 sons; Jan Herwald, Monnie (Joie) Kraay, Mike (Judy) Stowe, Patty (Jim) Seiler, Susie (Bob) Toye, Bob (Carolyn) Stowe, and Lauri (Mike) Palet; 21 grandchildren; 44 great grandchildren; 7 great-great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Maggie is preceded in death by her husband Jack, her parents, 3 grandchildren, 4 sisters, 3 brothers, and 2 very dear friends Cleo Engelbert & Alice Slaets.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Thursday, March 16th at 2:00 PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (2771 Oakwood Dr) with Rev. Msgr. James E. Dillenburg officiating.

Ryan Funeral Home (305 N. Tenth St, De Pere) assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send on-line condolences to the Stowe family.

A memorial has been established. A very special thank you to Unity Hospice for the special care they gave to our mother..

From Page 1/ *IHS clinics*

Northern State University student, said UIH clinics offer some services that other medical centers don't.

"One of the main attractions I have to the clinic is how sensitive they are to the Native American cultures," she said. "SDUIH works with specialized, culturally identifiable medical needs such as diabetes, which affects more than 15 percent of the Native American population."

Along with primary medical care, UIH also offers some dental service, screenings, health care education, optical service and special programs.

Randi Chingman, 19, of Aberdeen, said she and her 17-month-old son often seek medical services at the Aberdeen UIH center. If it closes, Chingman said she will do what she must to make sure her son gets needed care. But she said she probably would not be able to afford general medical care for herself.

"I don't know what I would do with myself if I were to get sick or need something" and the local UIH office was closed, Chingman told the Aberdeen American News.

Gov. Mike Rounds and the Legislature already have sent letters of support, along with the Aberdeen Area Tribal Chairman's Board and the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

From Page 1/*Candidates*

Outagamie County
Supervisor District 28
James Neuens
Norman Austin (I)
Supervisor District 29
Judith A. Schuette
West De Pere School District Board (Three-year Term)
Patti Mason(I)
Al Manders

Spring elections will be held on Tuesday, April 4th. All qualified voters must be 18 years-old and have lived at least ten days in the ward or district in which h or she wishes to vote.

People can register on site at the polls or can pre-register in person at the municipal clerk's office.

To cast an absentee ballot one must call their municipal clerk for a form and by submitting a written request including voting address, the address the ballot should be sent to (if different) and signature.

Caretakers Corner

In efforts to make the Division of Land Management even more helpful, DOLM has taken three different actions.

First, we are making a solid effort to address the Land List. Many years back, the Land Office began collecting the names of people who wanted to get a piece of land to build on. Over the years other programs were developed to assist home buyers and home builders, and the Land List was put in a secondary position. This is now being addressed.

Within the next few weeks the Division of Land Management will be contacting everyone on the Land List. We will verify what each person is expecting and we will begin the process of leasing bare land for those on the list who are ready and willing to build in the following year.

Once the present Land List is exhausted, we will initiate a new process for potential home builders. Look forward to this column updating you on our progress.

Second, we have ended the policy of "_ fair rental." This policy charged non-tribal spouses rent on properties owned by the tribe. Of course, this could not be applied to non-married couples, so with Land Commission and Business Committee encouragement, we eliminated the policy.

And third, we have begun a town house project. As you may be aware, we have a very successful housing project called Standing Stone on Hwy. 172 and E. Now we are planning 15 town houses on Hwy. 54 (Mason Street) on the hill next to the tribe's Retail building. Watch this Caretakers of the Land column for more information as it becomes available.





Local

There's a bear out there...

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

A hibernating black bear gave a pair of hunters a fright in a wooded area near the Sanger B. Powers Correctional Institute February 28th.

"When they were kicking around in the brush, they roused up that bear," said Oneida Conservation Department Natural Resources Director Shad Webster.

The sighting was southeast of the County U and Trout Creek intersection.

Webster believes the bear may be a male that has been spotted in the summer and fall, however he is concerned it could be female with cubs.

"If she gets bothered too much, she could get bumped out of the area and end up orphaning the cubs," he said.

Currently, the Conservation Department is cautioning people to stay out of that acreage so the bear can bed down until late April.

"We are monitoring the area to make sure no one harasses it." said Webster.

Black bears can range in size between 150 to 600 pounds, however it's unknown as to how big the bear on the former LeMere property is.

"Because (the hunters) were so close to it, they were thinking it was a really big bear."

If the bear goes back into hibernation, it won't become active again until the weather starts warming up in late April. That's when residents in the area may want to take some precautions.

"They're kind of hungry coming out of their rest period," said Tim Mella, a wildlife technician from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

Mella says the bear could be looking for dog food, sunflower seeds and suet from bird feeders, grease on an outdoor grill and garbage.

"They'll probably destroy a lot of the stuff they come in contact with," said Mella.

He advises that people in that region keep their garbage in a garage and only put it out the morning of a pick up.

Mella states that there is little chance of a black bear attacking a human.

"They're generally more like a large racoon than what people imagine them to be. They're generally just looking for a free handout in the spring." he said.

Webster has advice for someone who comes in contact with a black bear.

"Make noise, let them know that you're around and you see them and get out of the area slowly. Try and keep your head, don't panic." he said.

"Don't corner them and push them up a tree or a utility pole where they can electrocute themselves," said Mella, "Give them lots of room if you see them and just back off."

Other than startling the two hunters, who startled it first, the bear has not caused any trouble.

"It's not being a nuisance at all, so we're going to let it be a wild bear in a wild area right now. It's not by houses or anything like that, we just need people to be aware that there is a bear in the area and to take precautions if they are in the area." said Webster.

Calendar

EVENTS

March – April

Pancake and Porkie Breakfast
WHEN: Sunday, March 19th
TIME: 8:00AM – 12:00PM
PLACE: Municipal building on Main Street in Seymour
All you can eat pancakes for $5.00 per person (5 and under free). also included is saussage and fruit and drink. For more information call Dianne at 737-0509

March – April

Holy Apostles Church Lenten Fish Frys
WHEN: March 17th, 24th, 31st & April 7th
TIME: Serving 3 to 6 P.M.
PLACE: Parish Hall
$8.00 per plate. For more information call 869-2565.

April 1st

33rd Annual AIRO Pow Wow
WHEN: Saturday, April 1st
TIME: Grand Entries 1:00PM & 7:00PM
PLACE: Berg Gym, UW-Stevens Point Campus
Admission: $4 or $3 with student ID. Includes feast at 5:00. Everyone is welcome! Sponsored by UWSP Student body. Call 715-346-3576 for more information.

April 8th

UW-Green Bay – 2006 Pow Wow
WHEN: Saturday, April 8th (Noon to 10 P.M.)
TIME: Grand Entries 1:00PM & 7:00PM
PLACE: Phoenix Sports Center, UWGB Campus
Want to volunteer? Want to be a vendor? Have questions? Call 920-465-2720 for more information. Sponsored by intertribal student council.

April 8th

Flap Jack Flippin Larry
WHEN: Saturday, April 8th
TIME: 8:00AM – 11:00AM
PLACE: Parish Hall, Across from the Holy Apostles Church, Freedom Road
All the Pancakes you can eat! $6.00 per person, $5.00 Seniors, Children 2 and under free. Fun for the whole family! March of Dimes - Team Oneida fund raiser

Ongoing

Oneida Hymn Singing Practice
WHEN: Every Sunday
WHERE: Parish Hall
TIME: 4:00pm -5:00pm
Anyone interested in singing is welcome. Hymn Books are available for purchase. Contact Carol Cornelius at 920-833-9922 or Lois Powless at 920-833-7745 for more information.

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

LOC UPDATE

LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE — MARCH 2006

MEET THE LOC

The LOC consists of the 5 Council member positions of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC):

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Paul Ninham
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The members of the LOC serve 3 year terms consistent with the Tribal election of the OBC

WHEN WE MEET

When in session, the LOC meets every other Monday at 9:00am in the Business Committee Conference Room (2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center).

Completed agenda item request forms should be received by the Wednesday prior to a LOC meeting in order to be placed on the agenda.

The LOC has three sessions per term. Each session begins in the Fall and ends in the Spring.

The next LOC meeting will be held on:
MARCH 27, 2006.

www.

ONLOC.ONEIDANATION.ORG

The LOC website contains all of the Oneida Laws and includes:

- LOC biographies.
- The Oneida Tribal Constitution.
- Active Files List.
- LOC approved minutes.
- Public Hearing Notices and Documents.

Latest News

Land Commission as Elected Positions. On March 1, 2006 the Oneida Business Committee adopted amendments which will now make the Oneida Land Commission an elected entity. This action was taken in response to a GTC directive to have elected commissioners instead of appointed. The adopting resolution specified that the election occur no later than July, 2006.

Half Fair Rental Fees Repealed. On March 1, 2006 the Oneida Business Committee also repealed the requirement that non-Oneidas married to Oneida Tribal members pay half fair rental fees on residential leases executed by the Division of Land Management. Passage of the repeal has the effect of treating all residential lessees of Tribally owned land the same.

Public Hearings

Adoption of Back Pay Policy which defines back pay and establishes specifics on how back pay will be calculated when it has been determined that an employee was wrongfully terminated or suspended. This policy does not require the deduction of wages earned during the back pay period from the back pay award.

When: March 21, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room (BCCR)
Time: 11:30AM

Amendments to the Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy and Procedures. The Trust and Enrollment Committee is recommending changes to the Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy and Procedures. Among the changes are the increase in scholarship amounts from $1,000 to a one-time $2,500 scholarship; an increase in time allowed for completing applications; the removal that requests have to be of last resource in nature; and the change in the appeal process, the Trust/Enrollment Committee will now hear appeals.

When: April 18, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room (BCCR)
Time: 11:30AM

LOC Active Files List

- ❑ Back Pay Policy
- ❑ Boards, Committees and Commissions
- ❑ Education Code
- ❑ Election Law
- ❑ Election Law: Primary Elections for Business Committee Positions
- ❑ Hall of Fame Ordinance Amendments
- ❑ Higher Education Resolution
- ❑ Internal Security Issues
- ❑ Labor Code
- ❑ Land Commission Elected Positions
- ❑ Law Enforcement Ordinance
- ❑ LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Resolution
- ❑ New York: Building Code
- ❑ New York: Plumbing Code
- ❑ Open Records/Open Meetings Law Amendments
- ❑ Police Commission Stipends
- ❑ Preventative Health Care Bill
- ❑ Salary Structure
- ❑ SEOTS Bylaws
- ❑ Trust Scholarship Fund Amendments

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SEOTS *News*

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Saturday: 9AM–12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

SEOTS Mission… *Our mission is to provide for the well-being of* On=yote÷a=ka *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

SEOTS Staff

Mark Denning……..……*Director*
Anne Kreutzinger……*Administrative Asst.*
Carmen Flores……*Administrative Asst.*
Deb Ushakow……*Community Education Specialist*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS ***News*** once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us.

The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

Attention All Community Members

Sovereignty - What is Sovereignty?

Loretta Metoxen will be coming to town and will discuss the very important issue of sovereignty and what it means.

Date: April 5th
Time: 4 - 6pm
Place: Seots, 2778 South 35th Street

Panel Discussion Featuring Loretta Metoxen-Marquette University

Loretta Metoxen will be on a panel discussion at Marquette University. The topic the panel will be discussing is the Comparison between the Palistinian's Loss of Land and the Native American Tribes Loss of Land.

Date: April 5th
Time: 7:00pm
Place: Marquette University - Check in with the information desk as to what room the discussion will take place.

Craft Class

Craft for April is an Oneida purse with raised beadwork on it.

Date: Wednesday, April 5, 12, 19, & 26th
Time: 6 - 8pm
Place: Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street

Oneida Genealogy and Photo Identification

Who's your family? Want to do Genealogy research? Picture Identification? We will be traveling to Oneida to the Cultural Heritage House and Judy Jourdan will help us do our research. Bring your pictures for those folks you may not be able to identify. Also the museum would like to make a copy for their archives. Please bring money for lunch and look forward to a great day! We've done this before and had a great time! Please call to reserve a spot on the van. We have room for 10 in the van, and if you would like to drive on your own, join us!

Date: Saturday, April 8th
Time: Van will leave at 7:00 and return at 6:00pm
Place: Oneida Cultural Heritage House

Community Education Meeting on Methamphetamine (Meth)

You are invited to a meeting to educate community about the stimulant drug that can create instant addiction and have devastating effects on individuals and families. Our presentation will educate you about the facts around the drug and it's impact in Indian Country. You will learn the effects of the drug, warning signs of it's use, and what to look for in drug activity. We will have speakers and a video on the topic provided by the New York Times. Space is limited to 25 people, so please register with the SEOTS office. You can call or stop by to reserve your seat for this important issue. We will have door prizes and some light snacks.

Date: April 27th
Time: 6-8pm
Place: Indian Summer Conference Room, 10809 W. Lincoln, Ste. #101

RSVP is required, call **(414) 384-7740** to reserve your seat

Budget Meeting

Seots will hold a budget meeting on Saturday to get your ideas of things that you would like to see happen in the Southeastern area. Snacks and Beverages will be provided. This is a repeat program that was held this past January. This is your chance to learn about the SEOTS budget and make suggestions for the next fiscal year.

Date: April 29th
Time: 5:00pm
Place: Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services, 2778 South 35th Street

It's Your Choice Program for Teens

It's Your Choice is a program directed to Middle and High School teens. Home work help is provided, along with guest speakers, field trips, extra-curricular activities, attendance incentives, evening meals and bus tickets are provided. Parents are welcome to attend. The program is facilitated by Oneida tribal member and MPS teacher Amy Tromp. This is a Healthy Lifestyle Education Program sponsored by the WE Indians of Milwaukee Public School Systems. It meets weekly on Tuesdays. For information Contact Dona Yahola, We Indians Program at **304-6121.**

Date: Tuesday, April 4, 11, 18 and 25th
Time: 4 - 6:30pm
Place: Seots, 2778 South 35th Street

Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office

Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and information available to Veterans without an appointment once a month at SEOTS. Rodney is a counselor with the Vets Center. His specialty is working with war veterans and their families, although he will try to help any veteran with any questions they may have. The Vet's Center does with work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations in order to provide the best care for veterans. -- All Veteran's Are Welcome--

Date: Tuesday, April 4th
Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm
Place: SEOTS

Tax Preparation Services - Free

Tax preparation will not be prepared at the SEOTS office but can be prepared at four sites in the Milwaukee Area. Please call for information on the sites available. **384-7740**

Sweat Lodge

Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call 383-7072 and ask for Dona.

American Indian Awareness Month at UW-Milwaukee

Date: Tuesday, April 4th Dancers at 12 - UWM Union Ballroom

Tuesday, April 11th - Round Table discussion at 5:30-7:30pm

Tuesday, April 18th - Hands on Dreamcatcher craft workshop-1-3:30pm

Tuesday, April 18th - "Honor for All" American Indian Student Services Student Awards and the Wallace Pyawasit Community Leadership Award

Tuesday, April 25th - Indian Summer Festival Film and Video Image Awards in the Union Theater at 5-10pm

Attention all Community Members

One of our young community members is in need of a kidney transplant. Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. Its possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at **(414)385-2550.** Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who know's you may be a match?

Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Computer lab now available for use

Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Open lab every day and Saturday 9 - 12pm.

Veterans

Support Our Veterans! Veterans have served our county since the Revolutionary War. They are also requesting that we support our Veterans where ever they are serving. The contact person for the Color Guard is Leon House **(414)543-1622**. ***We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans.***

Keep up the good work!

MAIRN Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network Meeting

If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information about our community, such as: contacts, what's happening in Indian country regarding health, community education, and other important issues that affect our community. Guest speakers will present topics of interest and will share their resources that are available for the community. This is a must for area Indian agencies and businesses.

Date: April 26th
Time : 12:00-2:00pm
Place: Next Meeting will be held at "The Gathering Place" at the Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street , alternate place will be Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street.

Notices will be sent to members (Others interested please call **384-7740**)

P o t l u c k - - - P o t l u c k — Potluck

Tsyunhehkwa

If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If there is anything you would like that we don't carry we would be happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida.

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings

The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.

Date: Tuesday, April 11 and 25th
Time: 6:00pm
Please call and inquire before attending **384-7740**

Van Trip

Date: Wednesday, April 19th
Time: Van leaves at **8:00am** sharp and returns at approximately **5:30pm**

SEOTS transports Oneida tribal members to Oneida every third Wednesday of the month. Staff will be happy to take you anywhere on the reservation that you would like to visit. Please plan appropriately and remember to call ahead to put your name on the reservation list. **384-7740.**

Budget Meeting…

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Saturday, April 29th at 5:00PM
Place: Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services, 2778 South 35th Street"



Oneida History & Resources

"Chronology of Events: Research on Oneidas in Wisconsin 1634-2000"

A compilation of activities involving Oneidas in Wisconsin, from their lives in New York to their migration to Wisconsin. Information involving treaties, land transactions, formation of the IRA government, Works Progress Administration, accounts about life and more.

217 pages, $20.00 plus $3.95 s/h © 2003

"Oneida People, Places, Dates and Events: A Resource Guide"

A genealogy guide about Oneida people in Wisconsin from the early 1800's through the 1940's. Entries include information from census records, diary accounts, land records, church records, boarding school information, civil war records, newspaper accounts and correspondence.

Available on compact disk (cd), $65.00 plus $4.95 s/h © 2005

Works Progress Administration 167 Notebooks Collection

Twelve original collections of the Works Progress Administration (WPA) stories gathered in the late 1930's involving accounts of life on the reservation. This collection contains over 11,000 hand-written pages transferred into typewritten text with cross-referenced indexing.

Available on compact disk (cd)—Adobe format. $150.00 plus $4.95 s/h © 2005

To see excerpts of the book, go to: www.angelfire.com/on3/oneida

Allow 2–3 weeks for delivery!

Mail orders to: Susan G. Daniels, W5507 Porter Road, Shawano, WI 54166
Comments: *sdaniels1@tds.net*

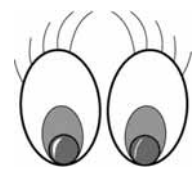
Monday's in April…

The Oneida Hymn Singers
***will be having singing practice every Monday from 6:30 PM to 8:00PM at the* SEOTS Office.**
Anyone interested in singing is welcome
Hymn Books for Sale.

Any Questions Call:
John House at 414-443-0301 *or* SEOTS at 414-384-7740

Next **SEOTS** Publication… April 13th issue.

What is this?



Information around the city

211 Impact – Simply call 211 for help with life - food - shelter - health - crisis intervention, etc.

Pow Wow AA Group – All Welcome-Thursday's–8:00PM 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th. Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center–**383-9526.**

Domestic Violence – Milwaukee Women's Center 272-5132, Ext. 153. Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case Manager/Advocate and available to assist any woman or family members.

Urban Circle of Voices – Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper, **643-5510**, Vicky Rank.

Interfaith Program for the Elderly – Meals on Monday and Friday, 11:30AM–631 N. 19th St. First Friday of the month at 5PM.

Weekly Events

Movies and Library

The SEOTS office has a collection of movies and library books for check-out. A large selection of Native American books fiction and non-fiction. Books and movies can be checked-out free of charge. Also, please return any past due books or movies so we can update our library.

Cultural Heritage

Cultural heritage class will hold two classes this month. Randy will conduct a class about False face masks on Thursday, April 13th. If you have any questions about Oneida Culture and tradition this class may be of interest to you! A speaker for the second class TBA. Please call for information.

Date: Thursday, April 13th and Thursday, April 27th
Time: 6:30 – 8pm
Place: Seots, 2778 South 35th Street

Oneida language class

Taught weekly (Saturdays)

Oneida Language class is taught weekly by teachers from Milwaukee and guest teachers from Oneida! Families and children are welcome! Language teacher Mark Powless would like to see you come with your children. Part of the class is planned for fun and easy learning for our children. They are our lifeblood for the Oneida language. Please try to attend!

Oneida language classes are taught at SEOTS on a weekly basis with Oneida instructors. You can also access the language program during the week on computers available at SEOTS.

Dates: Saturdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29th
Time: 10am–12pm
Place: Seots

SEOTS van trip and script pick-up

Script pick-up: Wednesday, April 5, 12, 19 & 26th

Last day to call in meds for the following Wednesday pick-up is no later than 4:00pm each FRIDAY! You must order meds the week BEFORE each pick up. You can not order the same week you are requesting a pick up unless you are going to pick up your meds or arrange to have someone else pick them up for you. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions about this. Always make 2 calls - SEOTS & PHARMACY (If you don't get your name on the SEOTS List, your meds will not be included in the pick up.)

Legislative Review/Letter

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

The Business Committee has finally posted the job description for the Tribal General Manager position. This was previously held by Bill Gollnick but has been vacant since he took the position as Chief of Staff for the Tribe. A posting occurred with the last Committee but with so few applicants, and most not meeting the qualifications, this Committee made some changes and re-posted. It is unfortunate that we are now being accused of writing a job description for one individual and lowering the Tribe's standards and values for education. Our actions were to change the required Masters Degree to preferred and lower the years of experience. I don't know who the individual is that we are suppose to be writing this job description for but I do anticipate receiving many more applications this time from qualified, experienced Tribal Members capable of doing the job. And I will state the importance of education has not and will not change but a recognition for work experience is also extremely valuable and deserves equal recognition.

Progress continues to be made in working with the local governments. One of significance is the completion of the "Inter-governmental Agreement" with Outagamie County. This is the first time the Oneida Tribe and Outagamie County have entered into agreement and we anticipate an enhancement of our working relationship going forward. Councilwoman Trish King and Chief of Staff, Bill Gollnick are to be commended for the work they did to bring us to this conclusion.

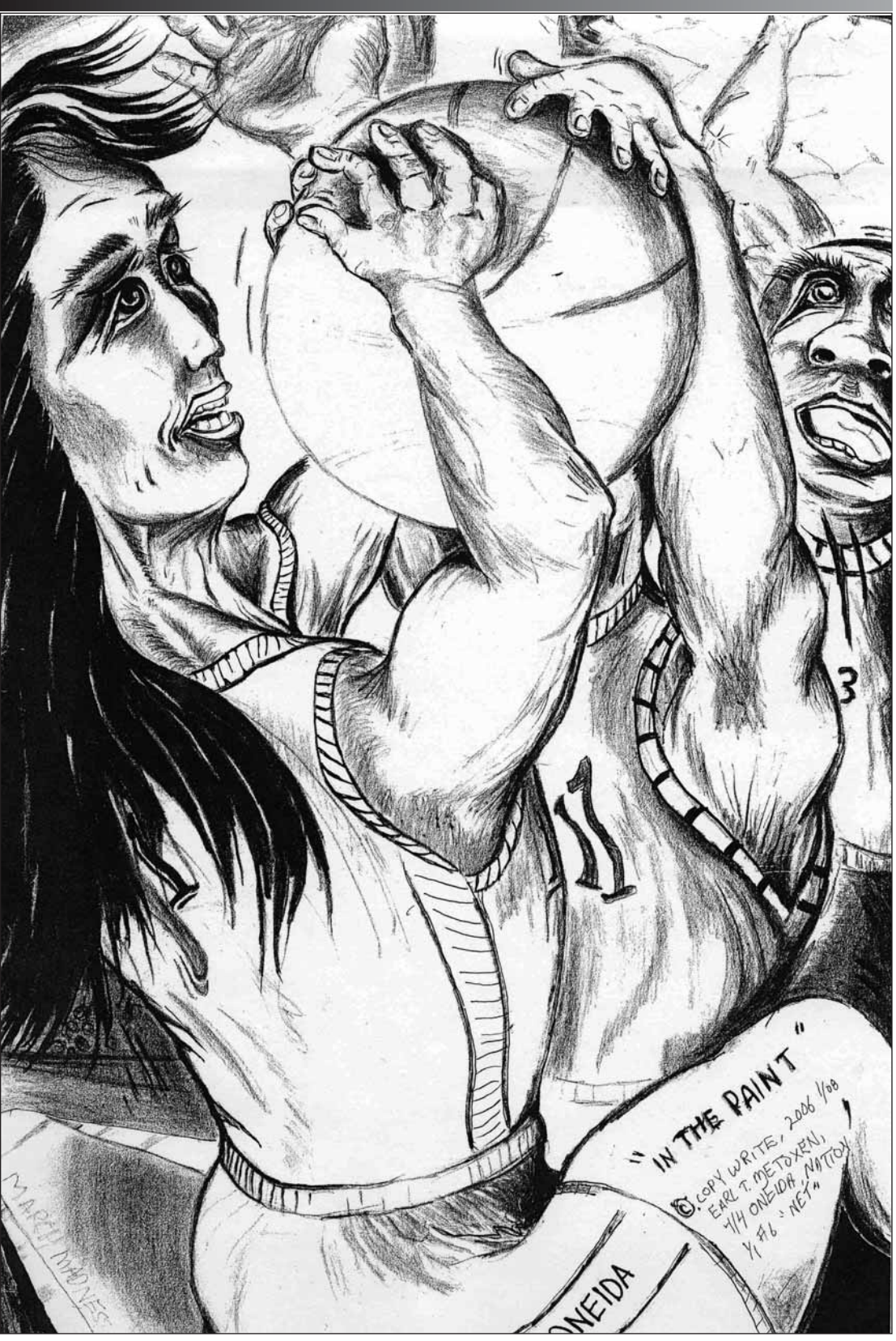
The Village of Hobart is also going to proceed this summer with repair work to Edgar Drive, Jonas Circle and Shady Drive. For those of you living in these areas, this is road work that will be much appreciated. Soon you can say goodbye to potholes, etc.

On Feb. 9th I attended a Senate Hearing in Washington DC on lobbying reform. Senator McCain held this hearing to get comments. It is fortunate for Indian Country that Senator McCain understands our concerns and is not likely to overreact in presenting legislation to address this very important issue. Something will be introduced but the Senator made it very clear that the System is the problem and not the Tribes. Lobbyists like Jack Abramhoff need to be responsible for the crimes committed, not Tribes.

On Feb. 21st I went back to Washington DC to attend a TTAG (Tribal Technical Advisory Group) meeting on Medicare prescription drug Part D implementation. This committee is now also dealing with Medicaid reform discussions. The purpose of this committee is to help Dr. McClellan, Director for CMS (Center for Medicaid/Medicare Services) develop regulations and policy that do not hinder the providing of health care to Indian Country.

The Campaign season is upon us and with the 8th Congressional seat up for grabs, it appears like this will be a very hot race, watched by the Nation and already taking a front seat with the Republican Party for extra effort. **GETTING OUT TO VOTE** is critical to our future. For the Tribes in Wisconsin, we have an opportunity to influence who represents us in Washington DC. Learn all you can about the candidates and cast your vote.

Letter, Opinions...



Exercise our Tribal Sovereignty

To my fellow Tribal Members,

I am writing to support Ron Hill, Jr. "Tehassi". He is right to be concerned about our sovereignty or more directly, the fact that we are losing it with each concession that Tribal governing officials make. Although we are supposed to be a sovereign nation, the Federal government pools all Tribes into the same lot when it makes a ruling for or against one Tribe. In 1924, the Snyder Act made all Native Americans "U.S. Citizens", against our will and without regard to "self-determination". Since 1919, any Native American who had served in the US Armed Forces and was honorably discharged could voluntarily give up being "Indian" and become a citizen of the United States. When there were very few takers to that offer the government decided that we must not understand what we were being offered and took steps to make that change for us.

Our treaties do not include clauses that prevent us from being taxed and the government argues that because there are no clauses we are subject to their authority and taxation. The reason there were no exemptions was not because our ancestors thought we should be taxed, but because our treaties NEVER made us subjects of the Federal or State Governments, it was understood that we were sovereign peoples with our own Tribal Leadership and laws and didn't need to be exempt from their taxes any more than Canadians would need an exemption from paying tax to Mexico. We should be taxing the income of our membership regardless of where they live or by whom they are employed. All of the Tribal employees, regardless of membership status should also be paying us income tax; by that same token however, our Membership should not be paying foreign income taxes and if non-members are working on Tribal lands, we shouldn't be collecting foreign taxes for the State or Federal Governments. These taxes could greatly improve funding for our own Tribal Government, Tribal Services to our Elders and reduce some of our dependance on Gaming Revenue to provide for essential programs. To me, this fight would be more beneficial than the Land Claims in which we've spent untold sums of money as well as some of the failed ventures we have thrown millions of dollars at to try and diversify our finances. Unfortunately our governing body and its legal counsel has to start thinking AND acting like sovereign people and look at how to do it, not why we can't do it.

If we exercised our sovereignty, we wouldn't have to worry about the disappearing Social Security monies, we could have our own Tribal Retirement Insurance plans to which we could contribute to instead of paying into the Federal Program; I dare say we couldn't do any worse than the Feds have.

We should treat the BIA as it was intended when it first formed (under the Department of War) and that is as a liaison between the many Tribes and the Federal Government, not as a Nanny to watch over and approve our actions. They should be informed of our decisions, not asked to approve of them. Many changes need to take place and I'm sure many of you can think of a great deal more than I have space to discuss here. The revenue the Nation could generate for itself through its own right to tax would more than make up for the threat of losing Federal Assistance by because of the Snyder Act, Tribes still qualify for Federal programs, which is compensation for the loses we have experienced.

Respectfully yours,
Nick Kedrowski
Tribal Member

Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Trish King

On March 10, 2006, Chairman Gerald Danforth and Outagamie County Executive Toby Paltzer signed the Inter-governmental Agreement between the Oneida Tribe and Outagamie County. This was a very exciting and positive event for both governments. The agreement was many years in the making and created a true sense of partnership to serve our constituency. Through the negotiation meetings, both Oneida and Outagamie walked away with a new understanding of the similarities and respect for the differences of each other's government operations and community needs. The most important understanding by Outagamie County representatives is the sovereign status of the Tribe and its inherent treaty rights. This was truly beneficial with regard to the Land-to-trust process.

On July 15, 2005, a similar type of agreement was signed with the Town of Oneida. Both, the Outagamie County and the Town of Oneida were willing to work together on developing an agreement to benefit all governments and their constituencies. The Town of Oneida is located within the Oneida Reservation exterior boundaries, and is a township in Outagamie County. Most of the Tribally owned lands within the township/county are agricultural or residential. The town provides fire protection and road maintenance to the Oneida Reservation. I am very pleased with the agreements that were negotiated and believe that professional and personal relationships were built during the negotiation meetings that appear to be very promising for maintaining the partnership spirit that was created within the agreements.

"Buy Indian, Supply and Demand, and Distribution and Partnerships" were the themes for the RES 2006 Conference on Economic Development this year. A new program that the Federal Government is offering is a mentor/protégée program that encourages large companies to mentor Tribes and Native entrepreneurs towards developing a protégée product or partnership. This program has already proven to be very successful.

Most entrepreneur companies are too small and cannot provide a product or service in large quantities to increase their revenues or meet large company demand. With a mentor/protégée you can develop the necessary resources for expansion utilizing the resources of the mentor. Large product companies are also looking to locate distribution centers on reservations. This is a market Oneida could benefit from as we look toward developing our foreign trade zone. The Tribe has light industrial acreage for this type of business.

While at the conference I met several entrepreneurs who have successfully mentored with a large company. One example is a native construction company mentoring and finally partnering with an engineering firm to create a full service construction, development and design firm. They are recognized as a minority owned Indian business, which gives them more access to governmental contracts. The original engineering firm will receive a credit for mentoring with the minority firm. Another example is a woman who makes gift baskets, mainly floral arrangements, for any occasion. She mentored with a representative from the Walt Disney Business Development Firm to perfect her product, learn how to increase her market, and set up several distribution centers. Since mentoring with Walt Disney, her business market has tripled. She is very successful.

Although these opportunities sound quite simple, the process of finding the right mentors for your product or service is very time consuming. It also takes dedication and strong determination. However, this program can be very rewarding, and I encourage all small businesses to at least check it out. If you are interested in learning about the mentor/protégée program, please visit http://www.sba.gov/business-sop/basics/defining.html.

I am currently researching the development of a "Buy Oneida Act", which would encourage a target percentage of tribal business to be derived from Oneida entrepreneurs. The Tribe has an Indian Preference law, and a policy that only encourages buying Oneida. A law would make this concept enforceable.

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the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

Osmond said the Potawatomi tribe had not donated to her campaign "that I'm aware of."

She and other Illinois officials opposed the Kenosha casino, saying it could create traffic and other problems in Illinois.

Illinois Rep. Mark Beaubien wrote to the Bureau of Indian Affairs saying the Kenosha casino could take business away from riverboat casinos in Illinois, as well as chances for a proposed casino for nearby Waukegan, Ill.

"In short, Lake County will have all of the problems with gaming and none of the benefits," Beaubien wrote.

Oneida Family Fitness

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

Join the Bellin Run corporate challenge

By: Eric Frantz
Fitness Specialist and Oneida Corporate Challenge Team Captain

Imagine yourself moving around everyday with less pain and stress, and more energy to enjoy the things you love the most! This can become a reality by simply starting a walking or running program this spring, and the staff at Oneida Family Fitness is here to help! Come join the Oneida Team for the 2006 Bellin Run Corporate Challenge! It's FREE to all employees and their family members! Just contact your Oneida Corporate Challenge Team Captain, Eric Frantz, at 490-3730, or email him at efrantz@oneidanation.org! He can give you the information you need in order to get started! Also, check out the following website for some quick info on what participants receive: http://www.bellinrun.com/bellinrun/corporate+challenge/default.asp

This year's Bellin Walk/Run 10K event will be on Saturday June 10th! Don't be left out; join the thousands of people from all walks of life in this fun and exciting event! The Corporate Challenge Oneida Team Training will officially begin on Monday March 27th at Oneida Family Fitness. This year, the OFF Staff will be offering up to 8 training sessions per week over the course of 11 weeks. In order to train effectively, our staff will give you ideas to tailor your training program around your busy life. We can show you different ways to train to help you avoid injuries that result from overtraining. The results of your efforts in training may be numerous, including a healthier heart, weight loss, improved self-esteem, and more energy! Do not let these health benefits pass you by! Come and join us today!

We will be holding Corporate Challenge Kickoff Meetings during the week of March 20th-24th. You can also meet past Bellin Run favorite, Carol Legate, the following week at Oneida Family Fitness and at Spring Fling! Please contact Eric Frantz at Oneida Family Fitness for more information on specific dates and times.

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Jason Manders...



Photo submitted by Oneida Family Fitness

Jason Manders has worked at th Oneida Family Fitness for two years. Manders is a graduate from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. He has a degree in Communication Processes.

Hello. My name is Jason Manders. I am a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay with a Bachelor's degree in Communication Processes. I have held the position of Fitness Specialist at Oneida Family Fitness for approximately two years. In that time, I have gained knowledge and have adapted to a variety of job duties which I would like to share.

My first duty as a fitness specialist is to assist facility members and guests in their exercise needs. These needs vary from orientations of the equipment, personal training, to any other program offered at the facility. For this reason, I may teach a strength training class or work with a client one hour and line dance the next. I feel my biggest responsibility is to see that people have a safe and positive experience at Oneida Family Fitness. I work with people of all ages and with a variety of strengths. Each person is an individual, and I treat them as such.

One of my job duties is to coordinate youth programming including winter break and spring break events. I also teach two classes designed just for kids. These classes are Kids Club and Kids Circuit. The class format is filled with activities for the youth. I teach them about cooperation, sharing, team work, and of course how to stay active through fun events like running on the track, tumbling skills, and a kid's favorite . . . Twister. In addition, I have participated in creating children's activities for the Heart Healthy Day. Working with the kids is a highlight to my day; I hope they enjoy their time with me.

If you ever have any exercise questions or concerns, just pull me aside and I'll do my best to help you get on the right path to your fitness goals.

Oneida Family Fitness Staff

Michelle Mielke.....*Fitness Center Director*
Todd Shelto.....*Fitness Center Assistant Director*
Lori Bembnister.....*Fitness Specialist Lead*
Ryan Engel.....*Fitness Specialist Lead*
David Beiser.....*Fitness Specialist*
Eric Frantz.....*Fitness Specialist*
Tina Jacobsen.....*Fitness Specialist*
Jason Manders.....*Fitness Specialist*
Stefanie Richter.....*Fitness Specialist*
Kevin Schoenebeck.....*Martial Arts Coordinator*
Adam Brown.....*Martial Arts Instructor*
Maureen Cisler.....*Administrative Assistant*
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Kip Miller.....*Experiential Specialist*

The **O**neida **F**amily **F**itness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at: 2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI Phone: (920) 490-3730. Look for *o.f.f. highlights* once a month in the Kali.

Tae Kwon Do Tournament held at Oneida Family Fitness

By Adam Brown
Oneida Family Fitness

The Oneida Family Fitness Martial Arts department is gearing up for April 8. That particular Saturday is going to be a big day for all the Oneida Tae Kwon Do competitors as the 12th annual invitational tournament takes place in the Turtle School gymnasium. This yearly event draws competitors from all over Wisconsin and Michigan.

"We're expecting between 150 and 200 competitors from about 15 different schools this year," says Kevin Schoenebeck, the event coordinator, "after 12 years of hosting our own tournament, we've built quite a reputation for having fine Tae Kwon Do athletes."

This martial arts event is great to compete in, but it's also a lot of fun just to go and watch the action. For a small admission fee spectators are welcome to come and see the forms, board breaking, and finally, the free sparring competitions. Schoenebeck goes on to say, "you'll see every level of competitor, from the 6 year old beginners all the way up to the expert Black Belt divisions. It's really quite impressive and you can see all the hard work these people have put into their training."

The 12th Annual Oneida Tae Kwon Do Invitational is slated to begin promptly at 10am Saturday, April 8 in the Turtle School gymnasium. If you have any questions or if you're interested in martial arts training, call Oneida Family Fitness at 490-3730.

Can you show me?

"How do I get started?"
"How does this machine work?"
"What's the best exercise for me?"

The staff at Oneida Family Fitness will be happy to assist members and guests by answering these and other questions with an orientation at Oneida Family Fitness. Orientations are the best way to become familiar with the exercise equipment. Most orientations take approximately 30-60 minutes. Orientations can be tailored toward your interest. We offer orientations on strength training machines, free weight use, and cardiovascular machines such as treadmills, recumbent bikes, and elliptical machines.

Why get an Orientation?

Orientations help staff meet the exercise needs of members/guests. No two members are alike, so an orientation can be tailored to meet your needs. An orientation is an opportunity for members/guests to be shown more information on topics such as nutrition and weight management. During orientations, members/guests are given the correct ways to use weight machines or cardiovascular equipment. The biggest benefit to having an orientation is the knowledge obtained from the fitness staff.

Orientations Cards

One of the first things you will receive during your orientation is a program card. The program card is for members/guests to record what exercises were performed and what level of resistance used. the card is a great way of keeping track of individual progress. Each card has space for writing down the equipment used and at what level machines are set.

Push...Pull...and...Press... your way to fitness: Weight room exercise.

Most weight room orientations have three major muscle exercises. These exercises are: chest press (Press), an upright row (Pull), and a leg press (Push). When receiving an orientation, members/guests will be shown how to properly perform each of these exercises. They will be shown the proper way to adjust equipment, change resistance on equipment, and how to operate cardiovascular machines such as recumbent bikes, elliptical machines, and treadmills.

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Fitness Members *for the month of* March...

Damian has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for six years. He has been exercising for a long time because he enjoys it. Damian is a very driven person and is always determined to keep working hard to stay in shape.



Damien Dryja

Every now and then, there are obstacles that do get in his way. For a while, he had a torn chest muscle that took a long time to heal. He still has to work carefully because this past injury does hurt every now and then.

In the years that Damian has been working out, he has increased his overall strength and lean muscle mass. He has also become a leaner individual and has maintained a healthy body fat percentage. His accomplishments can be attributed to lifting weights most days of the week, along with staying active throughout the day and following a healthy eating plan.

Damian enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because of the small, family-like atmosphere. Besides exercising, Damian enjoys shooting and hunting. He also enjoys to travel and get out to see the world.

Lastly, Damian's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: " Eat correctly!".

Danielle has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness off and on for the past ten years. She enjoys working out because it makes her feel good, boosts her energy, and helps to control her blood pressure. Her one obstacle to exercising is her work schedule. She usually exercises five times per week, but has to come in at different times in order to do so. Danielle also works hard to set a good, healthy example for her step-daughters. She hopes that by making healthy decisions, she can influence them to make healthy decisions as well.



Danielle Frechette

Thus far, Danielle's recent accomplishments include controlling her blood pressure, losing twenty-five pounds, and feeling great overall. These accomplishments can be attributed to performing cardiovascular exercise and weight training almost every day of the week. Danielle usually does forty-five to fifty minutes of cardio exercise, and does weight training for arms and legs by rotating every day.

Danielle enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because it is a nice facility and the trainers are nice. She likes the fact that she can do her own thing without people bothering her as well. Besides exercising, Danielle likes to spend time with her step-daughters Alex and Mariah. They play tennis, play with their dog, play Kareoke Revolution, cook, watch movies, and listen to music.

Last of all, Danielle's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "It isn't easy, but it can be fun and challenging. It always makes you feel good when you accomplish a goal, so you just have to stick with it!".

Sports

Webster prevails in junior golf playoff

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

San Diego, CA — On a warm and sunny winter weekend in San Diego, the International Junior Golf Tour (IJGT) traveled to the Rancho Bernardo Inn for two rounds of golf in ideal conditions. By the time the weekend was over, three players had captured their first victory on tour.

Thirty-six holes were not enough to decide the Boys 16-19 Division. At the conclusion of regulation play, Issei Suenaga (Rancho Santa Margarita, CA), who fired a final round two-under-par 70, was tied in first place with Gene Webster (San Bernardino, CA), who shot a final round 73. Suenaga and Webster finished at 146 for the weekend. On the first playoff hole, the par 5 18th, both players were forced to hit challenging third shots from right of the fairway. When Suenaga's shot found the hazard short of the difficult 18th green, Webster two putted for the victory. The win was Webster's first on the IJGT. Connor Driscoll (Encinitas, CA) and Ronnie Owen (Ann Arbor, MI) tied for third.

Title Sponsors include: Nike Golf, Promax Energy Bars, Saegertown Beverages, GolfWorld, Fitness for Golf, and the International Junior Golf Academy (IJGA).

The IJGT was founded in 1995 for junior golfers ages 11-19. Its purpose is to provide aspiring collegiate players the opportunity to compete in a series of events against the highest quality U.S. and international competition.

This year's schedule features 60 events at some of the finest courses in the U. S. as well as tournaments in Mexico, Columbia, Canada, and Scotland.

Nearly 2000 junior golfers compete on the IJGT representing 24 states and as many countries. These young men and women will have the opportunity to participate in the national junior ranking system sponsored by Golfweek.

Webster is currently 12th in Merit points on the tour. He has a total of 4900 points. Points are determined by finishing in the top ten of tour events.

He also has a second place finish to his credit this season. He fired a seven under par at the Double Tree Resort Golf Course on November 24, 2005, but lost by one stroke to Rhett Colbrese.

Two weeks earlier at the Rancho Bernardo Inn her ten over par 154 and finished 17th. The winner shot even par.

The first weekend in December, Webster played the Sandpiper Golf Resort and placed in the top ten. He shot a 156 for the two day event, eight strokes off the lead.

Webster is the son of Gene Webster. They reside in San Bernardino, California.

Seymour boys advance to state

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Seymour boys basketball team is making it's annual journey down to Madison for the WIAA Division 2 state championships tournament. The Thunder have made the trip to Madison the last seven years.

Having won two state championships in 2001 and 1997, the Thunder look to take home another gold ball. They have been runner up the last four seasons.

Seymour again has an Oneida connection this season. Numerous Oneidas comprise the Thunder this season. Mike King, Kahelote Cornelius, Derick Denny, Robert Castillo, John Nicholas and Gabe Vega are all Oneidas that contributed this season.

Seymour advanced to the state semi-final by defeating Ripon 63-59 at the Brown County Arena.

Kahelote Cornelius dropped in two 3-pointers and added two steals to held relieve the pressure off the Thunder's two big men Matt Hackl and Dan Genke. Cornelius finished with eight points. Senior Mike King chipped in six points for the Thunder.

In the Sectional semi-final the Thunder defeated Sturgeon Bay 56-48.

Mike King contributed eight points for Seymour.

The Thunder tip-off 25 minutes after the first Division two game between Altoona and Monona Grove at 1:35 p,m. on March 17 at the Kohl Center in Madison.

Student group opposes Fighting Sioux nickname

GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) - An American Indian student group at the University of North Dakota has passed a resolution against the school's Fighting Sioux nickname and logo.

The UND Indian Association had been neutral earlier.

Group members voted 26-2 Wednesday night to oppose the nickname. The group's resolution says: "The use of American Indian names and logos in athletics is demeaning whether intended or not."



UND is appealing a decision by the NCAA to ban the use of the nickname and logo in postseason tournaments. The NCAA has listed UND among schools with nicknames that are considered hostile and abusive.

The NCAA's executive committee is expected to take up the appeal April 27.

Gary LaPointe, a former UND Indian Association president, said he had been among those who favored neutrality and used to have clothes with the nickname and logo. LaPointe said he changed his mind and wrote the resolution because the controversy has caused too much unhappiness for fellow Indian students.

One UNDIA member called for continued neutrality.

C.W. Hall said he was a student athlete at his reservation high school and the team's nickname was the "Running Indians." Many reservation schools, he said, also have similar nicknames, such as "Braves." If those nicknames are worn with pride, he said, it's hard to make a case against the Fighting Sioux nickname.

Others said the name has been used in an insensitive way.

Janie Schroeder, the UNDIA president, said her indifference turned to opposition after she saw too many Indian students upset by the controversy. She said some come to meetings crying.

Courtney Davis, a member of the executive board, said she used to be proud of the nickname and logo but discrimination changed her mind. When people learn that she is an American Indian, she said, they do not ask about her culture, but they want to know her stance on the nickname.

Oneida youth receive art award

By Michelle Smith
Oneida Recreation

The Oneida Recreation would like to announce the February Artist of the Month. The winners of this award are given to Nick Metoxen and Darian White. Both youth attend the Rec Center on a regular basis and have shown great effort in attending all Art Classes. Each youth showed a willingness to participate and improve their artistic capabilities. The youth were awarded a certificate of excellence, a gift card, and their picture posted at the Rec Center. Congratulations to a job well done.

The Art Program will be offering regalia making, dancing, singing, and etiquette classes in regards to the up coming pow wows. We are offering this to 12 and up. We would also like to have adults participate as mentors. Please call the Civic Center @ 869-1088 to sign up for these courses. More information will be forthcoming.

As of now, we are seeking youth, ages 10 and up to participate in a mural project. The piece will be placed at the Oneida Health Center. If you have a child that is interested in participating, please call Michelle at the Civic Center.



Photo submitted by Oneida Recreation

Nick Metoxen and Darian White show their art awards and prizes.

Oneida Civic Center update

By Mandy Schneider
Oneida Recreation

The month of February was a great month in the Learning center here at the Civic Center. Jasmine John earned the most snowballs this month, 17 of them to be exact, earning her the title of character development member of the month. Camille Billie won the reading award this month, and there was much improvement in the report cards brought in this marking period.

Great job everyone, keep up the great work!

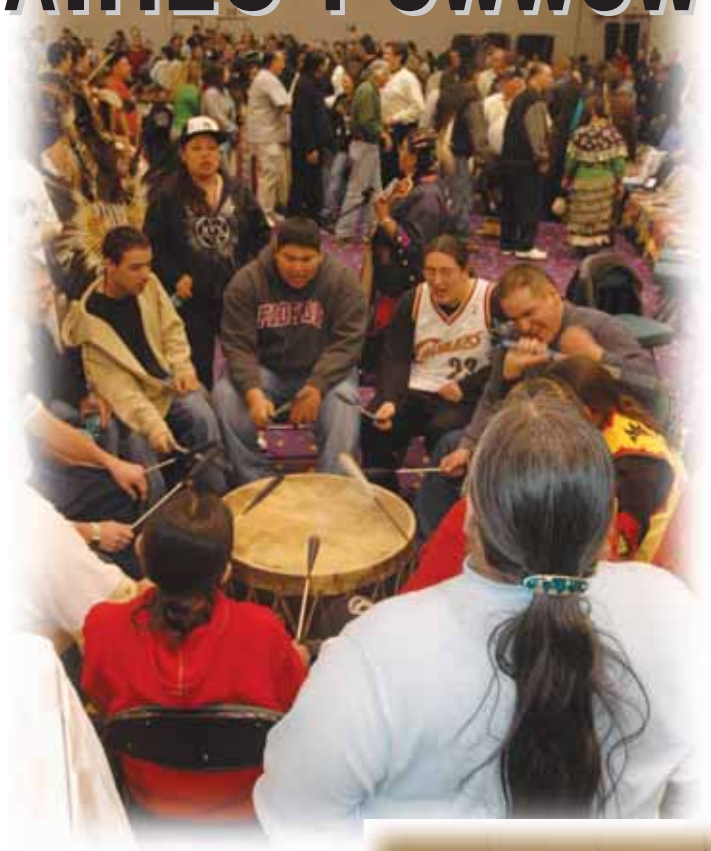
March Madness is going crazy throughout the Civic this month with prizes for the top 10 participants and a big party or event for everyone that participates in any of the activities this month.

The building of the character development snowman should be coming to a close in the next couple of weeks earning one member a chance at my prize pile and everyone who participated, a trip to the movies.

Last, but definitely not least, I would like to remind the teens of the different things going on in the Civic Center's Learning Center. Of course there is always homework help, but in addition to that you can always come in and get help filling out job applications, finding a job, help with interviewing skills, help in writing a resume, help to find an apartment, and much, much more. Not only that, if enough of you show up on Thursdays at 7:30 we hold game night.

So, everyone come on in and see what is happening in the Learning Center at the Civic.

AIHEC Powwow Highlights...









Kali photos/Yvonne Kaquatosh

The AIHEC conference brought together 37 Tribal Colleges from throughout the country and Canada to the KI Convention Center, in Graen Bay, WI, March 11-14. One of many highlights of the 25th Annual event was a powwow Monday evening in downtown Green Bay.



Oneida and Indian College Fund Unite

Special to Kalihwisaks

The American Indian College Fund provides 5,000-6,000 scholarships annually for American Indian students supporting Indian Countries 33 tribal colleges. These schools offer accredited degrees to students while they stay connected to their communities and cultures. These colleges currently enroll over 33,000 part time and full time students which represents over 250 tribes.



Oneida and the Indian College Fund have teamed up to provide another venue for the Indian College Fund to generate profits. Oneida Retail is now purchasing blankets and other Indian College fund products from the Indian College Fund and they are currently selling those items at the Oneida Smoke Shop-Isbell located in the Mason St. Casino. The Pendleton products are unique and the various paper products such as note cards and journal/baby books are unmatched to those seen anywhere in the retail sector. The profits generated will benefit students all over Indian Country to pursue their dreams of an Education.

Native Roots Run Deep

By Deborah L. Duvall and Murv Jacob

This year's 34th Annual Symposium on the American Indian kicks off Monday and Tuesday, April 3-4, at the downtown Dream Theatre in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. The 2006 American Indian Film Series is coordinated by Nathan Young, IV. These films, ***free and open to the public***, may be the most interesting thing about this year's Symposium to you film buffs.

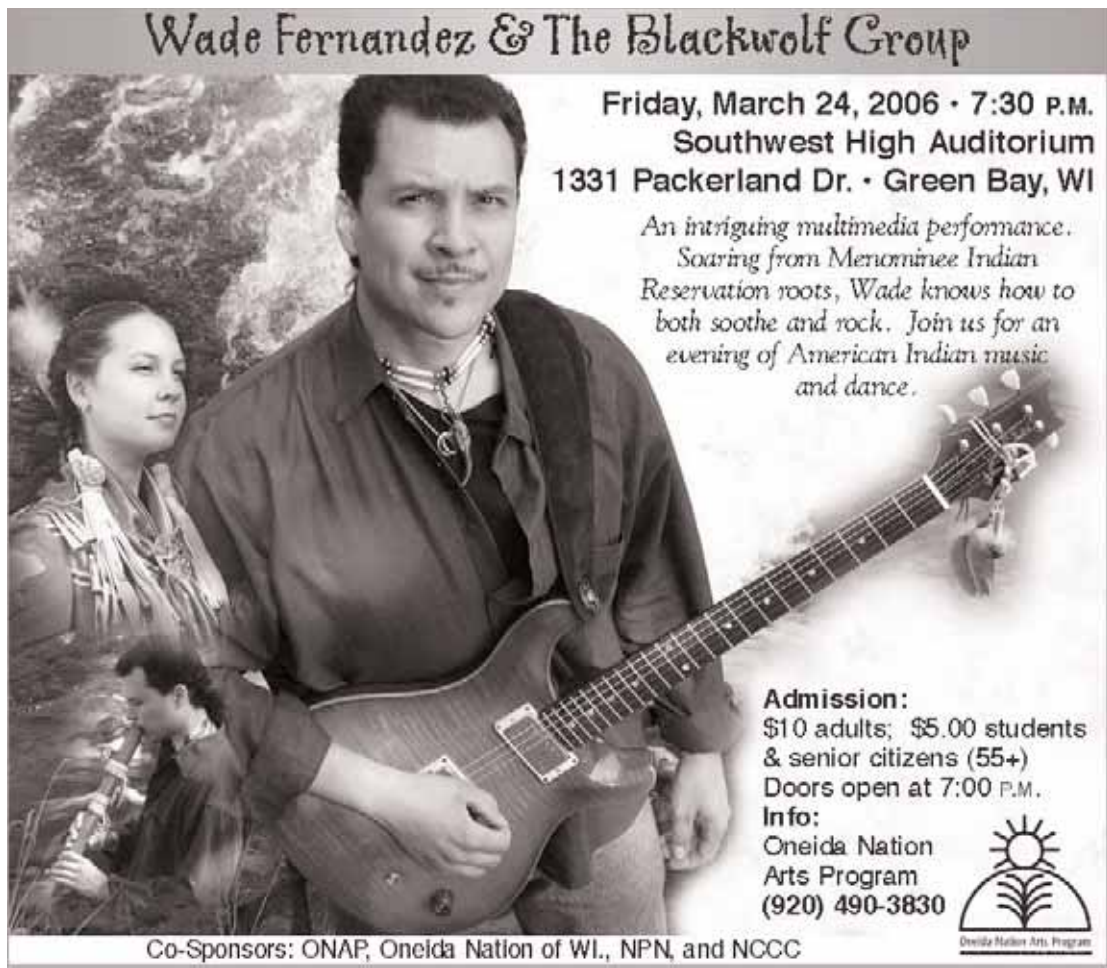
Nathan has assembled a group of films by Native filmmakers from Alaska to Arizona. "Film nights like these and larger film festivals are the only way regular people get to see real Indian films," he said. "To most of America the Indian experience is kind of shrouded in mystery. It is diverse and complex. We rarely get to tell our own stories in a large forum, so our image is being created by non-Indians."

From Wednesday, April 5 through Friday, April 7, the Symposium continues at Northeastern State University with a veritable Mount Rushmore of Native American authors in the line-up of presenters: Joy Harjo, the Creek poet; Dr. Rennard Stickland, Indian law historian and art critic, Robert J. Conley, Cherokee novelist/historian; and Wilma P. Mankiller, former Cherokee Principal Chief and noted author.

We asked Robert Conley about his presentation on writing about the past. "People often tell me I should write more about the present day, and I reply, they lied to us about the past, so first let's set things straight."

This is your chance to hear award winning writer Joy Harjo's keynote speech and see her perform her brilliant poetry and music. Don't miss Joe Erb and his student filmmakers' magnificent claymation creations.

The week's events are topped off with the annual Powwow on both Friday and Saturday evenings, April 7-8. We found the schedule in a snap by Googling American Indian Symposium, or give NSU a call at (918) 456-5511.



Thunderhawk Times

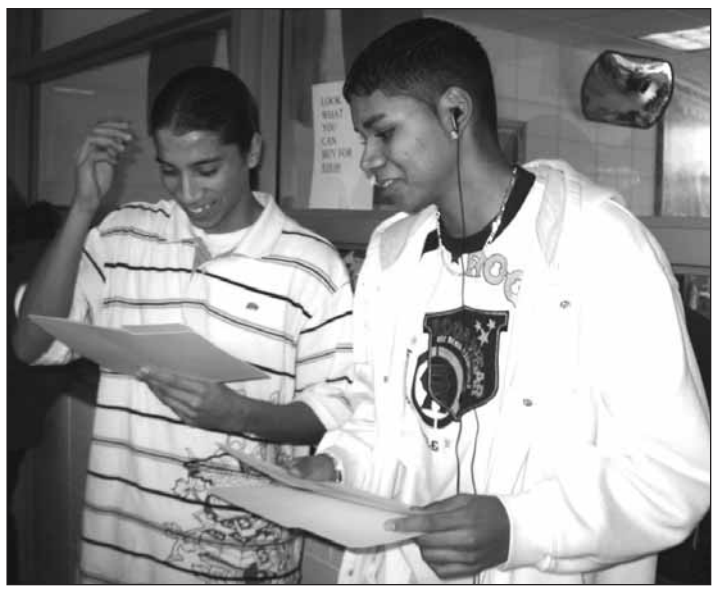
ONHS Students have artistic capitol

John "BJ" Christjohn 's art work will be displayed in the Wisconsin capital for one day. The contest was part of the Wisconsin Art Education Association Youth Art Month regional contest.

Top: Sketches from John (on left) and Joe Christjohn of the Oneida Nation High School were selected. John is a finalist for a scholarship and his art work was in the show at the Wisconsin Capitol Rotunda in Madison. The only other ONHS student that got his art work in the capital was Jesse Martin that was back in 1999.

Botom left: John's sketch was shown in the state capital rotunda.

Bottom Right: Joe's art work.







Thunderhawks hit the slopes

By Douglas Reed
ONHS Freshman

On March 2, 2006, ONHS took students to Ski Brule to ski, snow board and cross-cross country ski. 35 students skied and 5 staff members – Lynn Adrian, Cathy Delgado, Ben Dieck, Denis Gullickson and Dale Mueller – chaperoned

Some students took breaks and stayed inside and played bone dice. But most of the kids went skiing all day. Some kids skied with poles and some kids skied without poles and ended up falling. The kids really had fun with their day off from school.

The kids who tried snow boarding had a blast, and they would have stayed all day if they could.

When it was time to leave, all the kids were getting their dry clothes so they wouldn't be cold on the way home.

When we got back, parents were asking, "Are you in one piece yet?" They were making sure that no legs or arms were broken.

Cathy and I went cross country skiing. I fell three times and Cathy would help me get back up and go again – slow and steady – to make sure I didn't rush myself down any other hills. We skied all the way to the Homestead Lodge because Cathy was getting hungry and she wanted to rest for a little. There we met up with Denis and his daughter Rachel. They were having their lunch.

Then Cathy and I went back to the rental place and Cathy rested some more. When it was time to get back on the bus to go home, people were hungry and digging into the school's coolers for something to eat.

Sports Link…

A Recipe for Packer Success in 2006

By Scott Lynk
ONHS senior

In case you didn't notice, the Packers went 4-12 last season, a major disappointment to everyone.

But let's look on the bright side. They've got the fifth overall pick in this April's college draft and they've got a lot of money to spend under the salary cap – meaning they could land some decent free agents. They've also got lots of their own players to decide on.

Here are a few simple things the Pack could do to get back into the hunt:

Draft college defensive end Mario Williams from NC State. In his junior year he had 14.5 sacks and 24 tackles.

They should also look for the best possible athlete at receiver and tight end on offense. If a solid cornerback is available, they are going to want to take him to replace a questionable Ahmad Carroll.

Pick up the former Washington Redskins linebacker, LaVar Arrington. He is among the elite linebackers in the league. They could also shore up their defensive and offensive lines with some of the free agents out there. They might also look at one of the cornerbacks out there.

Re-signing Ahman Green was a good move, even though he was injured last season. They got him cheap and they know what he can do. They need to re-sign Aaron Kampman to bookend Williams.

The other big piece of the puzzle remains number 4 – Brett Favre. He is not the biggest piece of the puzzle, but he is a strategic one.

Want to Stay Young? Follow Some Simple Rules

By Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

There are so many things you can do to prevent aging so fast. First of all the smart thing to do is not to smoke, or drink. Smoking and drinking are probably the biggest ones that will affect your looks and how fast you age.

You should also be very healthy, that means eat right and exercise at least 3 times a week. Your health also plays a big role in how you look later on.

Did you know that flossing and eating tomato sauce have good effects? Well its true, according to studies.

It is said that there is a 36 percent reduction of heart attack or stroke if you take two baby aspirin instead of one.

Olive oil is good because it turns off the genes that make one of the inflammatory proteins that increase inflammation in blood vessels. This decreases the risk of heart attack or stroke.

Sleep is such a key in anti-aging. Getting enough sleep every night is very healthy and helps your body rest. When you don't get enough sleep your body could feel drained or restless.

Parents are very important in this because they teach their kids right from wrong. If you are teaching your kids not to drink or smoke and they listen they will have a great chance of being healthier. Also parent need to have their kids exercise and eat right.

Did you know that strength training has a different impact on longevity and quality of life than doing cardio? Well its true.

All these facts are very beneficial and everyone should think before they act so they will be healthy and stay healthy. Also so everyone can look younger.

O-Town Kickers Enjoy Student Support

By Darrell Skenandore
ONHS Junior and Thunderhawk Times second-semester editor

Some of the ONHS staff are playing soccer every Wednesday at the Sports Complex on Schuering Road in De Pere. The ONHS staff who are playing in the soccer league are Cathy Delgado, Cynthia Thomas, Nicole Brooks, and Roseanne Peterson.

They have been playing in this league for 2 sessions which are 8 weeks long each. They are presently in their 3rd session, so they have been playing about 20 weeks.

Some of the other players on the team are Bev Scow, Ana Barton, Shawna Powless, Tiffany Peterson, Justine Souto, A.J. Lester and Jean Van Dyke.

There is a handful of ONHS students who go out to De Pere to watch their teachers play soccer. I asked some of the kickers if they liked the students coming to their games. Most said "yes." But former team member Dawn Walschinski said, "We appreciate it, but we don't understand it."

Some of the students who go to the games – include Kwin Wheelock, Eddie and Sean Metoxen, Yuntle McLester, Scott Lynk, Paul Gutierrez, Neset Vega and Jasmine Metoxen. A couple of them said they go "because there is nothing better to do." But you can tell from their cheering that they support the staff.



THT photo

The O-Town Women's Soccer team and their "booster club" from the Oneida Nation High School.

Computer Corner

Intel vs. AMD – A Look at "What's Inside"

By Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

Most people never stop to think about what's inside their computer. Be it a desktop, laptop, notebook or main frame – they hit the buttons and expect miracles. But what is inside makes all the difference. You can't possibly watch television and not know the name Intel. "Ding! Look for Intel Inside." A lot of people who watch football on Sunday but don't own a computer could identify the Intel trademark. But seeing a commercial for Advanced Micro Devices (AMD) is about as rare as winning the lottery twice.

For those of us who really want to know what's inside, a look at the evolution of both Intel and AMD processors and a comparison of their pluses and minuses might help better determine what processor would be right for you.

Intel was developed in 1968 by Gordon E. Moore and Robert Noyce after leaving Fairchild Semiconductor, the company responsible for the first commercially available integrated circuit (IC). Intel first started with random-access memory and quickly grew to be a leader in dynamic random access memory (DRAM), static random access memory (SRAM), and read only memory (ROM) markets which were very competitive during the 70's. During this time Intel engineers also created the first microprocessor, which was developed for the Japanese company Busicom for use in there calculators.

The Intel Architecture Labs (IAL) is also responsible for the many hardware innovations we see in computers today, including peripheral component interconnect (PCI), PCI Express, and the Universal Serial Bus (USB).

[Next Issue – A Look at the Challenger, AMD]

Green Bay Fast Facts

By Darrell Skenandore
Thunderhawk Times Editor

Did you know there are over 4,000 named streets in Brown County?

The City of Green Bay covers 46.1 square miles or 29,489.64 acres. (Brown County covers 525 square miles or 338,443 acres).

As of February, 2003, the City has 35,149 parcels of land within its borders.

There are 444.27 miles of roadways and 21 miles of alleys in Green Bay.

The "beltline" [who knew we even had one?] around Metropolitan Green Bay is 22.4 miles and consists of US Highway 41, State Highway 172, and Interstate 43.

Green bay has also renamed a couple of streets like Lombardi Avenue (previously Highland Avenue) and University Avenue (previously Willow Street).

ONHS Baseball Players

By Joe Christjohn
ONHS junior

I recently interviewed ONHS baseball coach, Gary Lancelle, who is also the school's computer teacher. Here are a few of this thoughts on the season which is already underway with a pitchers and catchers clinic.

Who are players to watch this season?

Joe Christjohn, Nick Cantu, Jason Denny, Rollie Christjohn, Darrell Skenandore, Daniel Gutierrez and Gavin Hill. We might need some catchers for this year because Darrell might also join track and might not be there some of the time. Gavin will have to fill in at catcher if he can.

How do the pitchers look?

Good. Joe Christjohn and Jason Denny should be the perfect combo. Joe will be throwing the fast balls and when he gets tired Jason can get in there and throw some curve balls and change ups. Joe is learning some of those pitches too.

How about open positions?

There are going to be some open positions. We're going to need some freshmen to plug some holes. So, 9th graders, we better see some of you out at practice.

Other thoughts on the team?

We should be really fast, because there is going to be lots of conditioning. So, y'all better get ready. This team is going to be aggressive and fast. We are going to work on our sliding and stealing because of our speed. We're going to run other teams into the ground.

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March 9, 2006

Dear Candidate:

The Oneida Tribe has extended the date to receive applications for the position of General Manager. The closing date for this important tribal position is April 10, 2006.

The General Manager (GM) is responsible for effective and efficient management of the Oneida Nation. The GM is also responsible for developing the Nation's Mission, Vision and Seven Generations planning strategies and incorporating those strategies into operational goals and objectives. The GM monitors the progress of each administrative department throughout the year to ensure satisfactory completion of goals and objectives. Prospective candidates should possess a strong public policy and business background. Candidates must be able to make sound business and operational decisions consistent with laws and philosophies of the Nation. Candidates must be responsive to the diverse needs of the Oneida Community and in an environment characterized by rapid change.

This is an exempt position and reports to the Oneida Business Committee. This position is subject to an annual performance evaluation. Specific terms and conditions are included in the employment contract. The application and job description can by viewed and printed at: http://hrd.oneidanation.org/jobs/jobs.shtml.

Job applications and three (3) letters of reference can be mailed to: Oneida Human Resource Department/ 2630 West Mason St/Green Bay WI 54304, or may be faxed to (920) 496-7911; ATTN: Compensation Department.

The Oneida Nation offers one of the best fringe benefit packages in Northeast Wisconsin. Benefits include medical, dental, vision, free life insurance, short & long term disability, 401K, reduced rates at our Family Fitness Center, nine (9) paid holidays and two (2) ½ paid holidays to name a few.

The Oneida Tribal Human Resource department encourages you as an Oneida to apply for this great opportunity.

Geraldine Danforth, Area Manager
Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department

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JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION: General Manager — **POSITION NUMBER:** 09012

DEPARTMENT: Administration — **LOCATION:** N7210 Seminary Rd, Oneida WI

DIVISION: Non-Divisional — **RESPONSIBLE TO:** Business Committee

SALARY: Grade 00 (NEGOTIABLE DEPENDING ON EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE)
(Incumbent will be subject to an annual Employee Performance Agreement)

****MUST BE AN ENROLLED MEMBER OF THE ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN****

ISSUING DATE: February 8, 2006 — **CLOSING DATE:** March 9, 2006

Proposed Start Date: As Soon As Possible — **Transfer/Promotion Deadline:** February 14, 2006

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT

The Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability status in employment or the provision of services. However, individuals of Indian ancestry and Veterans will be given preference by law in initial employment or re-employment.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:

HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT
2630 WEST MASON STREET
GREEN BAY WI 54303

OR MAIL TO

HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT
P O BOX 365
ONEIDA WI 54155-0365

POSITION SUMMARY: The General Manager (GM) is responsible for effective and efficient management of services and business units of the Oneida Nation. The GM is responsible for developing the Nation's Mission, Vision, and Seven Generations planning strategies and incorporating those strategies into operational goals and objectives. The GM must monitor the progress of each administrative department throughout the year to ensure satisfactory completion of the approved goals and objectives. The GM must possess a strong public policy and business background, and have thorough knowledge and understanding of the Oneida Nation's history. The GM must be able to make sound business and operational decisions consistent with laws, rules, policies and procedures of the Nation. The GM must be ultimately responsive to the diverse needs of the Oneida Community. Those needs often involve multi-tasking performance in an environment characterized by rapid change.

This is an exempt position and reports to the Business Committee. The GM will be given an annual performance evaluation based on the ability to fulfill the duties and responsibilities outlined in this job description and the terms and conditions specified in the employment contract. Continuation of this position is contingent upon funding allocations.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Manage and supervise the Administrative divisions within the Oneida Nation.
2. Work cooperatively with the Oneida Business Committee in establishing mission, visions and 7th Generation Planning strategies., Incorporate approved strategies into operational goals and objectives to achieve the desired outcomes.
3. Provide the leadership that ensures each administrative department is being managed in a manner that accomplishes established goals and objectives. Maintain progress reports for each division in a manner that reflects the current status of the managerial effectiveness and efficiency of that division to accomplish its goals. Provide status reports as directed by the Oneida Business Committee.
4. Adhere to and enforce all applicable laws, policies and procedures of the Oneida Nation.
5. Develop budgets for administration and assist Division Directors in developing and implementing budgets. Work in conjunction with the Chief Financial Officer and other Executive staff in budget preparation.
6. Analyze monthly reports and financial statements from Division Directors to determine progress in attaining the goals and objectives. Document and report situations and circumstances that may interfere with accomplishing the goals and objectives. Evaluate and interpret financial data/reports to improve the organizations's financial performance.
7. Provide the leadership that creates a positive work environment. Facilitate conflict resolutions and negotiations to create a WIN/WIN situation for all parties whenever possible.
8. Promulgate regulations that protect the Oneida Nation's assets, reputation and values.
9. Ensure that highest level of customer service, internal and external, is implemented, monitored and rewarded.
10. Participate in the development of new initiatives and strategies that are intended to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, or performance of the organization.
11. Maintain open communication with employees and stay apprized of employee issues or grievances throughout the organization.
12. Meet and work cooperatively with employees and tribal members in groups or individually.
13. Attend additional training as needed/required.
14. All other job related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

1. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
2. Masters Degree in Business Administration, Public Administration or related field is preferred.
 NOTE: The Oneida Tribe may consider a combination of education and experience. Applicants who do not possess a Masters Degree in one of the above areas will be expected to formulate a Career Plan to pursue a Master Degree.
3. Five (5) years of previous successful experience in managing and supervising Director level positions is required. Experience must include:
 a. Demonstrated successful Leadership skills. **(Incumbent must provide three (3) letters of reference to complete application)**
 b. Developing and implementing goals and objectives.
 c. Measuring the success/failure of meeting established goals and objectives.
 d. Budget development, implementation, monitoring and controlling expenditures. Evaluation and interpretation of financial statements.
 e. Motivating, training and working effectively with subordinates who have a variety of backgrounds and training.
 f. Evaluation of Director level positions for compliance with established policies and objectives in attaining established goals and objectives.
 g. Planning work load and carrying out assignments efficiently and effectively. Accomplishing tasks within established deadlines and budget constraints.
 h. Communicating with others effectively in oral presentations and in written form.
 i. Demonstrated ability to work well under changes, work pressures and stress.
 j. Objectively and fairly dealing with a wide variety of people who represent a great diversity of backgrounds.
 k. Mediating and facilitating conflicts to create WIN/WIN resolutions.
4. Must be willing and able to complete KRONOS training within fourteen (14) days of employment.
5. Must complete EEO Training within six (6) months of hire.
6. Knowledge of the Oneida Community, its history, culture, government and organizational structure.
7. Ability to adhere to all Personnel Policies and Procedures is required.
8. Ability to present a professional appearance and demeanor as a representative of the Oneida Nation is required.
9. Strong analytical, reasoning and decision making abilities are required.
10. Must pass a pre-employment drug screening. Must adhere to the Tribe's Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy during the course of employment.
11. Must pass a background security check prior to and during the course of employment with the Oneida Nation in order to meet the Employment Eligibility Requirements and/or the Tribal State Compact and/or the Tribal Gaming Ordinance as they pertain to the position and the location of the department.
12. A valid driver's license, reliable transportation and insurance is required. Must obtain a Wisconsin driver's license within thirty (30) days of employment if applicant has an out-of-state drivers license. Must be authorized as eligible to operate a personal vehicle under the Oneida Tribe's Vehicle Drivers Policy prior to actual start date. Must maintain driver's eligibility as a condition of employment.

A Tuberculosis (TB) Screening and/or TB Skin Test is required within thirty (30) days of employment and annually thereafter.

Enrollment process for new students

Oneida Nation school gears up for Fall enrollment

The Oneida Nation School System is now accepting enrollment for the upcoming school year in grades Kindergarten thru twelfth (12) Grade. Space is limited, so it is important that you complete your child's application as soon as possible and return K-8 applications to the Student Service Department (Elementary) and high school applications to the High School office.

Listed below are qualifications that must be included with your application before your child may be considered for attendance in the Oneida Nation School System:

* A copy of a **state certified birth certificate or baptismal certificate**, not a hospital birth certificate must be on file in the school office. Birth Certificate must have the parent's full name listed on it.
* A copy of your child/ren's **social security number**..
* Your child's **tribal enrollment number**. Children must have on file the required documentation of tribal membership (Certificate of Indian Blood or Tribal Enrollment Card) of a federal recognized tribe. If the child/ren are not tribal enrolled, the child must establish 1/4 degree Indian descent. This is established through parental Indian blood degree.
* A copy of your child/ren's updated **immunization record** must be on file in the school office.
* A copy of your child's last **report card** (1-8) or **transcript** (9-12)

If the above items are not included with your child's application, the application will not be dated and process until such time that all items are received in the school office.

Applications may be picked up at the Elementary Student Services Department and High School Office, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. or upon request we will mail an application to you. Please call the school at **869-1676** (Elementary) and **869-4308** (High School)for assistance. Yaw^ko.

Note: Admission Policy will be followed.

Third Annual Fine Arts Exhibit for the youth

Submitted by Beth Bashara
Director of the Oneida Nation Arts Program

(Oneida, WI) – The Oneida Recreation Department is pleased to announce its 3rd Annual Fine Arts Exhibit to be held at the County H Recreation Center, April 27 through April 29. The exhibit will feature works by Oneida and community youth, grades 6th through 12th (ages 12 through 19).

Youth may submit only one piece of art for the exhibit. Cash prizes will be awarded through a juried process in the following categories, printmaking, traditional, photography, drawing, fiber arts, painting, and sculpture. In addition to the juried art show there will be People's Choice Awards given in a number of different categories.

Application with art work must be dropped off at the County H Recreation Center on Monday, April 24 or Tuesday, April 25 from 2:00 – 8:30pm. Applications are available by contacting Molly Diemer at County H Recreation Center or Beth Bashara at the Oneida Nation Arts Program or Becky Anderson at the Tribal High School. There is a $5.00 entry fee which will include a year's membership to the Oneida Recreation Center. Current Oneida Recreation Members are not required to pay the $5.00 entry fee.

For more information, contact: Molly at **833-0010** or Beth at **490-3833** or Becky Anderson at **869-1676, 611.**

This year's Fine Arts Exhibit is a collaboration of the Oneida Recreation Department, Youth Enrichment Services, the Oneida Nation High School's art department, and the Oneida Nation Arts Program.

Scholarships

DAR Scholarship

April 1st is the application deadline for National Society Daughters of the American Revolution American Indian Scholarship established to help Native American students of any age, any tribe, in any state striving to get an education.

Candidates must be Native American in financial need with 2.75 GPA. The scholarship includes vocational training, college undergraduate or graduate level; undergrads given preference. $500 one-time award.

Students must request an application in writing from our Washington, DC office, enclose a SASE:

Office of Committees - American Indian Scholarship
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
1176 D Street, NW
Washington DC
20006-5303

Oneida Higher Education

Date set for Financial Aid Workshops

When: **Thursday, March 16, 2006 at 5PM & Wednesday, March 29, 2006 at 5PM**

Where: **Community Education Center (C.E.C.)**
2632 Packerland Dr. (Next to Settle Inn)

*We will be going over the Oneida Higher Education Grant and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) process. Please call the Higher Education office, **(920) 869-4370**, if you have any questions.*

Everyone is welcome. There will be snacks, beverages and raffles held.

College Fair

Submitted by Donna Gee

Come one, come all to the annual College Fair, presented by the Oneida Higher Education Office. This fun and informative event will be held at the Radisson Hotel on May 1, 2006 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Representatives from 30-40 tech schools, colleges and universities will be on hand to highlight their schools and to answer your questions about programs available, admission policies, costs, financial aid, etc.

Free admission, light refreshments will be served.



Please Vote April 4th

Debbie Schumacher

For Hobart Trustee

- We need to elect new people to the Hobart Board who share the visions of the residents.
- We need to work with our neighboring communities in a respectful way, and come to understand each others ways, while working to develop programs that are mutually beneficial.
- We need to keep spending in check by trying to eliminate duplicate services.

Authorized & paid for by Debbie Schumacher, Barb Kunesh Treasurer

Questions and answers on avian influenza

Submitted by Eric Krawczyk
Community Health Services Director

Will all the media attention over the past year on "Avian Influenza" the following information is provided to give everyone a better understanding of what this public health concern is really about. The Community Health Services Department does have a plan to address this issue and is also in on-going discussions to re-design the Emergency Management area for the Oneida Nation. It is our intention to continue to keep our community educated on this public health issue and to continue to work in a direction that enhances preventive preparedness.

What is Avian Influenza?

Avian influenza is an infection caused by avian (bird) influenza (flu) viruses. Wild birds worldwide carry the viruses in their intestines, but usually do not get sick from them. Avian influenza can make some domesticated birds ill, including chickens, ducks and turkeys. Infected birds shed influenza virus in their saliva, nasal secretion and feces.

How do people get infected?

Most cases of avian influenza in humans have been a result of direct contact with infected poultry or surfaces covered with excretions from infected birds. The spread of the avian influenza virus from one ill person to another is very rare and transmission has not been observed to continue beyond one person.

Why is avian influenza a risk to humans?

During an outbreak of avian influenza among poultry, there is a possible risk to people who have contact with infected birds or their waste. Symptoms of avian influenza in humans range from typical human influenza-like symptoms (e.g., fever, cough, sore throat and muscle aches) to eye infections, pneumonia, severe respiratory diseases and other life-threatening complications.

What is an influenza pandemic?

An influenza pandemic is a global outbreak of disease that occurs when a new influenza virus appears in the human population that causes serious illness an has the ability to spread from person to person.

Why are we worried that avian influenza could become a pandemic?

With the avian influenza virus now firmly in place in large parts of Asia and some parts of Europe, there is a risk that more human cases will occur. Each additional human case gives the virus an opportunity to improve its ability to spread from person to person. This increases the probability that a pandemic could occur.

Have there been any influenza pandemics in the past?

Past influenza pandemics have led to high levels of illness, death, social disruption and economic loss. During the 20th century, the emergence of several new influenza viruses caused pandemics, all of which spread around the world within a year of being detected.

*1918-19 "Spanish flu", caused the highest number of know influenza deaths. More than 500,000 in the US.
*1957-58 "Asian flu", caused about 70,000 deaths in the US.
*1968-69 "Hong Kong flu" caused about 34,000 deaths in the US.

Next Issue: What is the government doing to prepare for a pandemic?

Native Plants for the New Lake

By Oneida Lake Team Members
Special to the Kalihwisaks

One key aspect of the new lake will be the vegetation. The plantings growing in the lake, along the shoreline, and around the lake will be a great asset to the Oneida community.

Native plants are culturally important to the Oneida people for use as medicines, building materials, and for ceremonies. When the Oneidas settled in the Duck Creek Valley in the 1820's, there was an abundance of natural resources. In the summer of 1929, Huron Smith, an ethnobotanist from the Milwaukee Public Museum, camped in the yard of Mrs. Electra Powless. Over the summer he interviewed Oneida people to document the plants that were used by the Oneida. He took extensive field notes that have proved useful to today's Oneida and others interested in Oneida culture. Plant presses and notes from that summer are still available for viewing at the Milwaukee Public Museum Special Collections.

Some of medicinal and cultural plants that he recorded back then were wild onion, wild ginger, Jack-in-the-Pulpit, Wintergreen, Wild Lily of the Valley, Cardinal flower, Northern Blue Flag Iris, "Slippery" or Red Elm, Hemlock and White Pine.

As industry, development, and agriculture established in the Duck Creek Valley, native plants became less abundant. As the Oneida continued to assimilate over time, their knowledge of culturally important plants declined. Renewed interest in medicinal value of plants in the community has come about since the founding of Tsyunhehkwa.

The Lake team is working with local tribal members to learn about Oneida's culturally significant plants. The team will then incorporate these culturally significant and medicinal plants into the proper areas in and around the lake. These plants will also be used around any outdoor recreation areas envisioned for the lake, such as hiking trails, picnic areas, and environmental education areas.

Sylvia Cornelius-Waupoose, Environmental Specialist for the Oneida Nation, notes, "It is important to consider using culturally significant and medicinal plants around the lake because is adds to the value of the lake." Bringing back the knowledge that is associated with these plants will be one of many highlights of the lake. Signage will be considered to help educate people on the plants that have historical value to the Oneida.

The lake could also be a resource for plant gathering. An example of an important plant that could be planted along the edge of the lake is Sweet Flag also known as Bitterroot. The root is dried and used for stomach ailments and to ease sore throats.

Depending on the lake site selected and surrounding land uses it may be desirable to use native plantings for screening purposes around the lake. This will help reduce noise and dust.

The lake will provide a variety of unique environments. There will be several wetland planting zones within and around the lake including submersed plants, emergent plants, shoreline plantings, and upland plantings.

Submersed plants such as water lily and wild celery take root in shallow areas of the lake bottom and grow upwards until reaching the lake surface. Deep water emergents are plants that root under water but continue to grow above the water level. Hard stem bulrush and wild rice are examples of these plants. Shallow emergent plants grow near the shoreline and -- depending on how the lake water levels react -- may grow in or completely out of the water. Wild blue flag iris and sweet flag are considered shallow emergent/shoreline plants.

The land above the lake that is seldom or never flooded can be planted to native prairie communities. Big blue stem grass is an example of a deep-rooted prairie grass, which helps stem erosion; it also has a beautiful winter color. Other prairie plants could include Wild Bergamot (Number 6), Common Milkweed, Black Eyed Susan, Boneset, Wormwood, Highbush Cranberry, and Elderberry.

John Larson of Applied Ecological Services, a native plant expert with the Lake Consultant Team points out, "Wisconsin has many native wetland and prairie nurseries that provide potential sources for the lake plantings. Some plants could be grown by Tribal members or even produced as class projects for school children." The native vegetation will be installed by a variety of methods, including mechanical seed drilling and hand broadcasting. Plant plugs will be installed by hand. Similar to creating a healthy fish population, the planting and creation of healthy plant communities will take years and many phases. The finished product will be a lake that the Oneida community can enjoy, pass on traditions to future generations and be very proud of.

Boost kid's safety in automobiles with booster seats

Submitted by Oneida Safe Community Coalition

The Oneida CPS Program hosted it's 2ND Annual NCPS Car Seat Check on Monday, February 13. This was the day Oneida community members and tribal employees showed their endorsement of child safety seats during National Child Passenger Safety Week. A Valentine's highlight which promoted that fact that kids be properly restrained in booster seats instead of just safety belts. With the Wisconsin Booster Seat Act 106 passed just day before, the common sense response from parents and care-givers to prioritize Booster Seats was wonderful.

And once again as part of the promotions, tribal departments and social events were visited by the antics of Vince & Larry who handed out pens, pins, and flyers. Event coordinators thank all eight volunteers who role played Vine & Larry, the Crash Test Dummies.

The event held at the OPD Garage, 3:00 - 6:00 pm emphasized to parents, grandparents and other adults responsible for transporting youngsters that children ages 4 up to 8 should be in booster seats rather than restrained by only safety belts. One thing your children will never outgrow is the need to be protected while riding in a motor vehicle.

A record number of 34 car seats were observed by Oneida CPS Technicians. Six car seats arrived properly installed. Five parents were awarded "Child Car Safety Seat Champion" certificates, one parent had 2 car seats that needed no adjustments.

Child passenger safety is not as easy as the click of a seat belt. Your child "grows" through four stages of restraint systems; 1) Infant Seat, 2) Convertible Seat, 3) Booster Seat, and 4) Seat Belt System and our statistics show that over 75% of seats in Oneida are installed incorrectly. A child's height, weight, and sometimes age, determines which restraint system is suitable. Proper installation of the car seat is dependent upon the vehicle's seat and it's seat belt systems.



Photo Submitted by Oneida Safe Community Coalition

Oneida Nation Elementary student Devonte Pointer and OPD officer Jack Mehojah meet with a crash test dummy promoting car seat safety.

For more information to ensure your child's safety restraint is correctly installed, call a certified technician at the Oneida Health Center to make a Car Seat Fitting appointment at 869-2711.

For Booster Seat Law 106: **http://www.dot.state.wi.us/news/2006/opa-018.htm**

Champion Certificate Recipients

- Josephine Oudenhoven
- Timothy Deschler
- Shonna Danforth
- Wilma Little
- Peggy Schneider

Oneida CPS Car Seat Check Events - National CPS Week: February 17, 2005

February 13, 2006:

28 Car seats checked 3 4 Car seats checked

26 incorrectly installed (93%) 26 incorrectly installed (76%)

2 correctly installed (7%)

2 correctly installed (18%)

2 seats children not present

A Circle of Healing for Women

A Circle for Women who have been sexually abused

This will be a eight week group addressing issues related to the effects of sexual abuse.

Topics to be Discusses Include:

Safety/Trust Issues	Feelings
Self-Esteem	Body Images
Relationship Issues	Parenting Issues

The Group will meet weekly starting **Wednesday April 12th, 2006 from 9:30-11:30am**

Location: Oneida Behavioral Health Services
2641 West Point Road, Green Bay WI

Child care is available at the Center for Self Sufficiency

Please call Shelly Riutta **490-3726** to schedule an intake session or to ask any questions. An intake session must be completed by **April 4th** to participated in the group. The group is limited to eight women, so call soon if you would like to participate.

What is the ONEIDA NATION working on?

Come and find out at the next

Business Unit Informational Meeting

Location… Oneida Nation Community Education Center
2632 Packerland Drive

Monday, March 27, 2006

1:30PM - 4:00PM

Tentative Agenda:

- Community Education Center-New Technology Innovations
- Good Mind Great Future (CAAPS Update)
- Human Resources Update
- MIS Update
- Treasurer's Report
- Gaming Update

If there are any specific topics you would like information about, please contact me at 490-3537.



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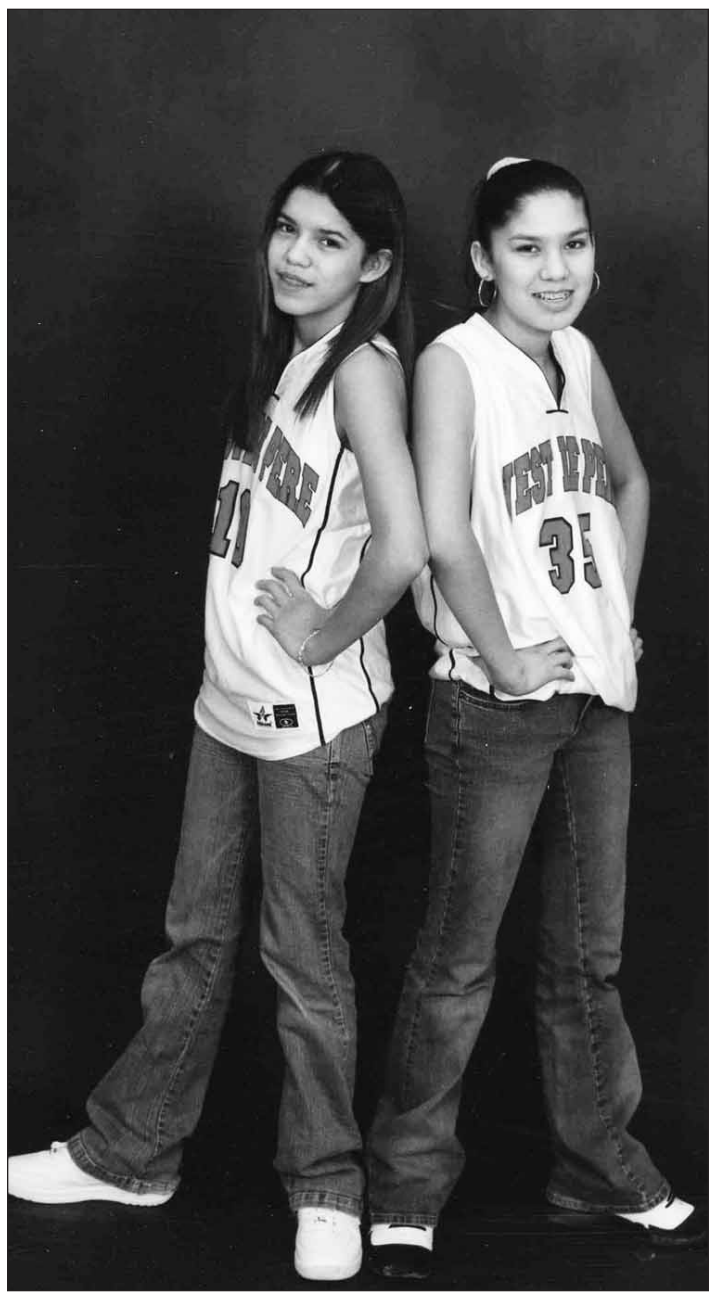
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Questions, please call: **920-869-4280, 4279** or **4277**
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Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary *April 2006 Calendar of Events*

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Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Birds are back!: Monday, April 3 at 10:00am and again Monday, April 17 at 1:00pm

The birds are chirping! During this program, children and their families can hear the sanctuary staff read "Tree of Birds" by Susan Meddaugh and "Birdhouse for Rent" by Harriet Ziefert. After the stories, participants will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per resident or Friends member and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671**.

Trail Fitness Walk: Wednesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26 at 12:00pm

It's time to get out into the spring air! A Sanctuary Naturalist will lead this 45 minute brisk hike on uneven terrain. Please come dressed for the weather and bring your hiking shoes. Cost for all four sessions is $10 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $15 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671**. Space is limited.

Annual Crane Count: Saturday, April 22, 2006

Every year, Wisconsin volunteers enjoy a morning in the outdoors listening for Sandhill cranes. If you are interested in participating in this annual event, please contact Mark at the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary at **920-391-3678**. Volunteers will be assigned designated areas throughout Brown County. For newcomers, a training session will take place on Thursday, April 13th at 7:00pm. This event is free and open to the public.

Easter Event - Hop over to the Sanctuary: Saturday, April 15 at 9:30am and again at 11:00am

Children and their families can enjoy a morning full of fun activities including making a decorative bag for collecting Easter eggs, coloring pictures, refreshments and of course, an egg hunt. Admission for adults and children is $1.50 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $2.25 per non-resident. This event is designated for children ages 3-8 years old. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671**. Space is limited.

Wisconsin Bird of Prey Program: Monday, April 17 at 11:00am

Get an up close view of a variety of Wisconsin birds of prey, weather permitting. Join Naturalist Kim Diedrich as she explains what makes these birds such great hunters - don't forget to bring your camera. This event is free and open to the public. No pre-registration is required.

Spring Bird Walk: The birds are chirping!: Wednesday, April 26 at 6:30am and Saturday, April 29 at 6:30am

Spring is here, which means you'll hear a lot more chirping at the Sanctuary. It's a great time of year to come out to view a variety of Wisconsin birds. Bring you binoculars and hiking shoes. This event is free and open to the public. Meet at the parking lot by the Sanctuary Director's house. Bring binoculars and a field guide and come dressed for the weather.

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Qualifications shall also include the following: 1. Honorable Service A.) A person who has been inducted into or voluntarily entered into active duty in one of the service branches and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch due to "less than honorable conditions" B.) Active duty is having served 181 days or more of continuous duty unless discharged early for a service-related disability C.) Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has complete at least six years in the reserves or National Guard or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability. 2. Shall be a citizen of good standing 3. Shall serve the remainder of term ending November 2008

Deadline date for receipt of applications of April 17, 2006.

Notice of Availability

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

Project Description: The Oneida Tribe is proposing to provide water and sewer service to the Sanger B. Powers Correctional Facility. The service line is proposed to be constructed along the west end of County HWY U from Sanger B to Saint Joseph Street and deviate west into the Foxtails Wildlife Area, eventually connecting into the Waste Water Treatment Facility. The connection is located in Township 24, Range 19 East, Section 21, 28, 33, in Outagamie County, within the exterior boundary of the Oneida Reservation in Oneida, Wisconsin.

An environmental assessment (EA) for the development of a Waste Water Treatment Facility was prepared in September 2003. The EA has been prepared regarding this proposed action and is in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters.

Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.

Need for Project: Provide the Sanger B. Correctional Facility with water and sewer services. This will also create affordable sewer along County HWY U and additional water recharge. The proposed infrastructure contributes to the future development of economic growth and recreational opportunities for the Oneida Community will be enhanced from the construction and maintenance of the Waste Water Treatment Facility on the Oneida Reservation.

Alternatives: The Preferred Alternative is to provide water and sewer service for the Sanger B. Powers Facility and the Oneida Community. The construction of water and sewer lines will allow the Oneida Tribe to determine its own area of service on the Reservation and create options for future housing and development to occur.

The "No-Action" alternative was also evaluated, however this approach will not help assist the Oneida Tribe to fulfill a goal of strengthening the economic development of the Oneida Nation and servicing our community.

Comments & Availability: Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents from the following address. Comments regarding the proposed action may also be submitted within 30 days of the date of this Notice, dated March 2, 2006. Call (920) 496-5350 for more information or write to Oneida Environmental at PO Box 365 Oneida, WI 54155.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Amendment to the Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy and Procedures.

When: April 18, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Adoption of Back Pay Policy which defines back bay and establishes specifics on how back pay will be calculated when it has been determined that an employee was wrongfully terminated or suspended. This policy does not require the deduction of wages earned during the back pay period from the back pay award.

When: March 21, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

If you have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office via Groupwise phuff@oneidanation.org or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376.

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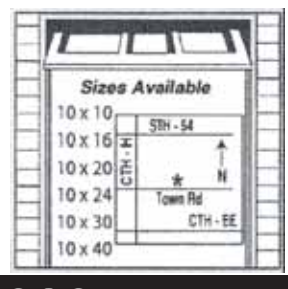
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Buffet Cook Full Time $8.50 -$10.00

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They have a dream...

USDA awards grant to local mutual self-help housing program

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Department awarded America's Dream, Inc. with a $516,000 check to help fund the mutual self-help housing program on March 16.

America's Dream. Inc. is a program that will help low income families get qualified to build their own homes. The grant will assist America's Dream, Inc. develop, administer and coordinate programs that will help families succeed as home owners.

"While many people take owning a home for granted, there are still too many for whom home ownership is just a dream," said USDA Rural Development Wisconsin State Director Frank Frassetto. "The self-help program here in Wisconsin enables families and individuals to take their futures in their own hands, to take advantage of the wealth generating benefits of home ownership, to help stabilize communities and build a better quality of life."

America's Dream, Inc. Executive Director Alan R. King, an Oneida Nation Member, started the company a few years ago in response to the Oneida communities need for housing. King was very happy to receive the grant.

"They (USDA) have been after me to start this program many years ago," King said. "We finally did it a few years ago and it's been a long process, but the rewards of getting the families into their new houses will soon become a reality."

That reality will come within the next few months as groundbreaking is scheduled later this spring.

Five families will begin construction of their new homes in a few months. Those five families have been with America's Dream, Inc. for nearly a year. The wait has been due to families not being qualified for one reason or another. America's Dream, Inc. has gone through over 150 families just to get these five.

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American Dream

Spring Elections

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Area voters will have a choice of two Oneida members running for public office in the April 4th election.

Oneida Business Committee Secretary Patty Hoeft is running for Brown County Board District 24 Supervisor against Kenneth Simons, a former board supervisor.

"I think this is an

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Spring Elections

Thunder rolls to state title

Seymour boys wins gold ball for third time in school history.



Kali photo/Phil Wisneski

The Seymour boys basketball team raises the Division 2 State Championship trophy after defeating Monona Grove 46-37 at the Kohl Center in Madison.Six Oneidas helped the Thunder win the title. The championship was Seymour's third title and joins the 2001 and 1997 teams as champions. Please see page 12 for additional photo coverage.

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Seymour boys basketball team finally won the coveted gold ball. After three straight agonizing trips home with the silver ball, it was a relief for Seymour coach John Murphy to finally bring home another gold.

It's a huge relief to finally get that silver ball monkey off our back," Murphy said.

The Thunder defeated Monona Grove 46-37 at the Kohl Center to earn the school's third state championship. Seymour previously won the title in 2001 and 1997.

The game was decided in the final two minutes. The Silver Eagles took a one point lead on a three point play by Shane Kieler, with little over two minutes to play.

Seymour responded with a huge three-point basket by Brandon Kuchta to take a 36-34 lead.

Great defense by Mike King and his fellow team mates only allowed three points the rest of the game.

Seymour came out of the gates hot. and took a 11-4 lead after one quarter. The Thunder extended that lead to 21-12 going into half time.

Kahelote Cornelius came off the bench to spark the Thunder, scoring all six of his points in the second quarter.

King was also a major factor in the game. he held Monona Groves leading scorer, Kieler, to 16 points on 6 of 17 shooting.

Murphy is glad to have King on his team and not have to play against him.

"When you play offense against Mike King, you are going to have to work," Murphy said. "He's a special player and nobody likes to play against this kid and the state saw why this weekend."

Seymour was lead by Dan Genke 10 points. King and Kuchta each added nine points. King also added five rebounds, three assists and four steals.

Kahelote Cornelius added six points, three rebounds, two assists and one block.

Seymour advanced the championship game by defeating St. John's NW Military Academy 57-48. The Thunder came back from a 15 -3 first quarter deficit for the win.

The Thunder finished the season with a 23-3 record.

Wisneski to move on

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

It doesn't feel like it's been five years since my first article was printed. It seemed like yesterday when I anxiously waited for then Editor Keith Skenandore to return from the press run to see my by line. Seeing my name filled me with a sense of accomplishment and pride to be a photographer/reporter with the Kalihwisaks. I felt I had a responsibility to provide news to the Oneida community. I took that responsibility very seriously.



Wisneski

Thank you for all the great memories as being "your" reporter/photographer and I will never forget the stories I've heard and reported on.

I will be moving into a Public Relations position within the tribe. I was torn on leaving the newspaper, but in the end it was an opportunity I could not pass up.

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Minnesota reservation honors victims

By Amy Forliti
Associated Press Writer

RED LAKE, Minn. (AP) Alicia White always made Mother's Day special. One year, while on a student council trip to the Twin Cities, she went to the Mall of America and used her allowance money to buy her mom jewelry.

The 14-year-old was killed a year ago Tuesday in a shooting rampage on the Red Lake Band of Chippewa's reservation that left 10 dead, including the gunman.

"There's not a day that goes by without us wishing that she was here and just remembering all the crazy things that we did and said together," Theresa Spike, 32, said of her daughter. "It's been a year and I still sit there at 3:30 and wait for her to get off the bus."

Jeff Weise, 16, killed his grandfather and his grandfather's girlfriend before heading to Red Lake High School, where he killed five students, a security guard and a teacher before shooting himself. It was the worst school shooting in America since Columbine in 1999.

The tribe has declared Tuesday a Day of Remembrance, and all tribal services will be closed. Red Lake High School will be open, at the request of students and staff. Counselors will be on hand, but no regular classes will be held. A moment of silence will be held in the morning, and school will be dismissed at 2:30 p.m., with no after-school activities.

"We know that everyone is going to observe the day in their way," said Willie Larson, school district accountant.

Several family members on this reservation in northwestern Minnesota are holding memorial dinners to honor their loved ones. Alicia White's family also plans to pause to remember the 14-year-old's caring spirit and goofy sense of humor.

The dinners are customary to people in Red Lake, and are traditionally held a year after a death to mark the end of a period of mourning, said Lee Cook, a tribal member and director of the American Indian Resource Center at

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Shooting

Department Launches State-Tribal Relations Initiative Web Site

MADISON, Wis. – Online Material Details Wisconsin's Government-to-Government Relationship with the State's 11 Tribes

The Department of Administration today debuted the State-Tribal Relations Initiative Web site, a comprehensive guide to the 11 Tribes of Wisconsin, and the government-to-government consultation policies guiding state-tribal relations in the state. The Web site is available at http://witribes.wi.gov.

The site is the latest extension of Governor Jim Doyle's Executive Order #39 which reaffirmed Wisconsin's government-to-government relationship with Tribal governments, and laid the foundation for improved, substantive consultation and collaboration between the governments.

"Thanks to Governor Doyle's leadership, Wisconsin is at the forefront of state-tribal relations nationally," said Laura Arbuckle, administrator of the Division of Intergovernmental Relations and an enrolled member of the Bad River Tribe. "This outreach is unique in

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State-Tribal Relation

Good News

New Arrivals

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Travis Michael Johnson



Kevin and Julie Johnson of Oneida are proud to announce the birth of their son, Travis Michael. He was born on February 6, 2006 at 11:01 pm at Bellin Hospital in Green Bay. Travis weighed 7 lbs and was 20 inches long. He was welcomed home by his big brother Trevor.

Paternal grandparents are Steve and Emily Johnson of Oneida. Maternal grandparents are Ruth Bathke of Little Chute and the late Lester Bathke.

Akio Zivon Lopez



Akio Zicon Lopez was born to Mandy and Ricardo Lopez on February 2 at 7:42pm at Aurora Sinai Medical Center in Milwaukee Wisconsin weighing 8lbs, 5oz and measuring 21.5 inches.

Akio's paternal grandparents are Rual, Sr. And Sylvia Lopez and maternal grandparents are Mamie (Ermenc) Arellano and Pedrito Arellano, Jr.

Happy 6th Birthday

DJ Teller
March 21st



We love you Love Mommy, Daddy, Nana, Papa & Grandma Shou Shou

Happy 5th Birthday

on April 1st to
Sawyer Schmutzler



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Happy 2nd Birthday

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On March 26th



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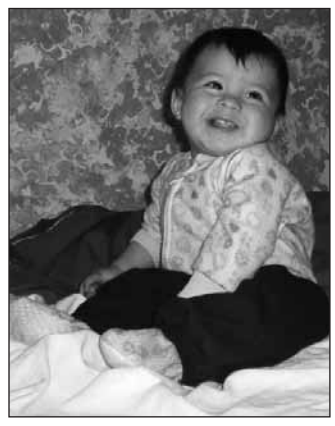
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Love, Dad, Mom, McKenna, Ethan & Ava

Happy 1st Birthday

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April 9th



Best wishes from Mama, Grandma, Aunts, Uncles, and Cousins

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Tour de Cure needs you

Submitted by Sue Toepel
N.E. Wis. Market Manager

The N.E. Wis.- Green Bay office of the American Diabetes Association needs your help. This June, the Tour de Cure, the annual bicycling event which raises money for research for a cure for diabetes, will take place in Green Bay. Our community joins over 26,000 other cyclists and volunteers who are participating at more than 80 sites across the United States. The ride includes a 15K, 25K, 50K and 100K route through beautiful Wisconsin landscape.

We ask that you support the Tour de Cure bike ride with possible donations and also promoting your customers and staff to join in the event. You will be encouraging people to "Go the distance and make a difference" by joining Tour de Cure and helping raise money for the fight against diabetes. Registration brochures have been distributed throughout Green Bay and the Valley (local stores, YMCAs, YWCA, libraries, etc.) to invite participation. Please share this information with your customers and staff to let them know that signing up is EASY: dial **1-800-TOUR-888** or go online to: **www.diabetes.org/tour** (the local Green Bay office phone no.: **888-342-2383, Ext. 6541**). Ride individually or Form a TEAM!!

Register before April 1st and SAVE! Fee is just $15. After April 1st Registration fee is $25.

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Your cooperation with donations and promotion of this very worthwhile event will help the multitudes of people in Green Bay and the Valley who have diabetes, an often fatal disease that can lead to blindness, heart disease, stroke, kidney failure and amputations if left untreated. You will also provide an invaluable service by informing people of this wonderful exercise and fitness opportunity that's great fun for everyone in the family and circle of friends! It's a perfect "Challenge" event for friendly competition between departments in a company, different locations of local businesses, groups of friends, etc.! Following the ride, a lunch will be provided with music and lots of FUN! Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Event: American Diabetes Association's 2006 Tour de Cure
Date: Sunday, June 4th, 2006
Check-ins: 100K 6:45 am; 50K 7:45 am; 25 K 8:15 am; 15K 8:45 am
Location: Oneida Turtle Elementary School

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Board Vacancies

Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee: One (1) Vacancy
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Qualifications shall also include the following: 1. Honorable Service A.) A person who has been inducted into or voluntarily entered into active duty in one of the service branches and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch due to "less than honorable conditions" B.) Active duty is having served 181 days or more of continuous duty unless discharged early for a service-related disability C.) Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has complete at least six years in the reserves or National Guard or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability. 2. Shall be a citizen of good standing.
Deadline date for receipt of applications of April 17, 2006.

Oneida Audit Committee: One (1) vacancy.
Qualifications: Shall be a member of the Oneida Tribe. Shall not be an employee of the Oneida Tribe. Shall have knowledge, skills and experience of the Tribe. Members shall adhere to all Tribal laws, codes, policies and procedures with the strictest confidentiality.
Deadline date for receipt of Applications of May 1, 2006.

Board Vacancies

Oneida Personnel Commission: One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications: Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe. The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two(2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community members. Shall serve a remainder of term ending October 4, 2008. The membership may not be such that a conflict of interest or nepotism is created as defined in these by-laws: A. Nepotism is created by the following relationships: father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, daughter, son father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other. B. conflict of interest is a conflict between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. A or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.
Deadline date for receipt of Applications of May 1, 2006.

Hobart has the following openings on local government boards: Public Works Committee, two alt. members. Water and Sewer Advisory Board, one alt. member. Board of Appeals, two members and one alt. member. Park and Urban Forestry Committee, one alt. member. Quarry Board, one member and two alt. members. Terms are staggered. For more info call (920) 869-3800.

Notice of Availability

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
Project Description: The Oneida Tribe is proposing to provide water and sewer service to the Sanger B. Powers Correctional Facility. The service line is proposed to be constructed along the west end of County HWY U from Sanger B to Saint Joseph Street and deviate west into the Foxtails Wildlife Area, eventually connecting into the Waste Water Treatment Facility. The connection is located in Township 24, Range 19 East, Section 21, 28, 33, in Outagamie County, within the exterior boundary of the Oneida Reservation in Oneida, Wisconsin.
An environmental assessment (EA) for the development of a Waste Water Treatment Facility was prepared in September 2003. The EA has been prepared regarding this proposed action and is in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters.
Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.
Need for Project: Provide the Sanger B. Correctional Facility with water and sewer services. This will also create affordable sewer along County HWY U and additional water recharge. The proposed infrastructure contributes to the future development of economic growth and recreational opportunities for the Oneida Community will be enhanced from the construction and maintenance of the Waste Water Treatment Facility on the Oneida Reservation.
Alternatives: The Preferred Alternative is to provide water and sewer service for the Sanger B. Powers Facility and the Oneida Community. The construction of water and sewer lines will allow the Oneida Tribe to determine its own area of service on the Reservation and create options for future housing and development to occur.
The "No-Action" alternative was also evaluated, however this approach will not help assist the Oneida Tribe to fulfill a goal of strengthening the economic development of the Oneida Nation and servicing our community.
Comments & Availability: Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents from the following address. Comments regarding the proposed action may also be submitted within 30 days of the date of this Notice, dated March 2, 2006. Call (920) 496-5350 for more information or write to Oneida Environmental at PO Box 365 Oneida, WI 54155.

Job Opportunities

Caseworker – High Risk Tenant Specialist
Oneida Housing Authority Caseworker. Individuals with Indian ancestry will be given preference by law. Initial employment or re-employment. Bachelor's Degree Required. Issuing date ASAP, **Closing date 4/14/06**. Applications can be submitted or picked up at: Oneida Housing Authority, PO Box 68, Oneida, WI or 2913 Commissioner Street, Oneida, WI 54155 If you have any questions, please call 869-2227. EOE

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Amendment to the Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy and Procedures.
When: April 18, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.
If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376.The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this proposal are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

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VOTE Tuesday, April 4



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District 24 includes...

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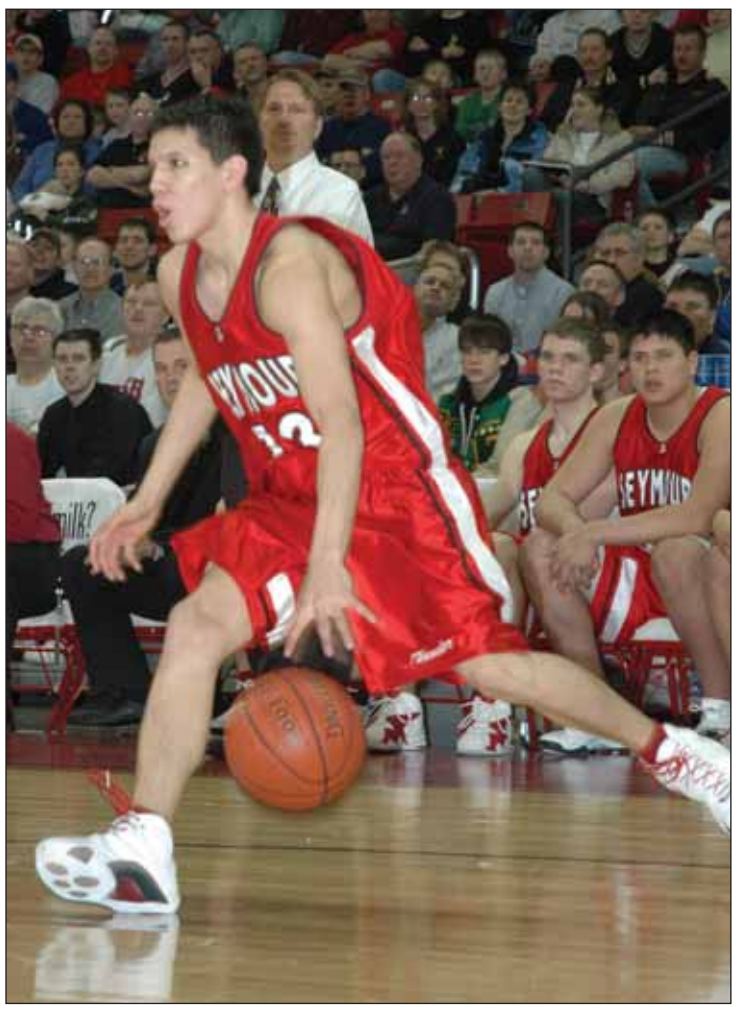
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Sports

Seymour wins state championship













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Clockwise starting at Right: Kahelote Cornelius drives to the hoop in the championship game against Monona Grove at the Kohl Center. Cornelius finished with six points for the game. Gabe Vega and Cornelius embrace as Vega enters the game in the fourth quarter. Mike King puts the finishing touches on the game with two free throws. King was named to the all-tournament team. King and Cornelius prepare to play defense. The Thunder bench looks on as Seymour gains control of the game in the final minutes. King looks to get open against Derrick Rice of Monona Grove.

King named to AP All-state team

By Phil Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

Mike King, senior guard for the Seymour Thunder has never been one to make many headlines this season. His job has been to shut down the opposing teams best player night in and night out. He has excelled at that job the past two seasons for the Thunder and it was never more evident as it was during the WIAA Division two state tournament. King shut down two very good players in Trevon Hughes and Shane Kieler.

For his effort, King was named to the Associated Press All-State honorable mention team. He also was selected to the State Tournament team as well.

Hughes, a guard that will play for the UW-Madison Badgers next season was held to just 3-17 shooting and 13 points, 10 points less than his season average. Kieler was limited to 6-18 shooting and scored 16 points, four less than his season average.

"He's a pretty special player that doesn't get the headlines, but he is one of the toughest kids I've ever coached," Seymour head coach John Murphy said.

Oneida Family Fitness

Saturday class schedule in April

By Adam Brown
Martial Arts Instructor

Spring is just around the corner and summer is not far behind. It's not too late to tone up and maybe lose some of the excess pounds you may have put on during the long, cold winter. Oneida Family Fitness has got your exercise needs covered on the weekends, too! Every Saturday we offer a different free, group exercise class at 9am. Have you ever tried kickboxing? Maybe you wonder what a body bar and abs class is all about. This is the perfect opportunity to try out some of the different group activities we offer. Stop in, keep moving, and feel better!

Check out our April 2006 Saturday class schedule:

April 1 – Kickboxing with Adam
April 8 – Core training with David
April 15 – Body Bar/Abs with Ryan
April 22 – Spin & Box with Eric
April 29 – Circuit Training with Jason

Kayla Skenandore competes in national swimming competition in Orlando

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Twelve-year-old Kayla Skenandore is excelling at the butterfly stroke, a swim move most people won't attempt.

"It's the hard one, it's the one everybody says 'I can't do'." said John Bradley, Kayla's coach on the Waukesha Express Swim Team.

The young athlete was the high point winner in the 12 and under Wisconsin State games. She is ranked in the top 16 in the nation for 11 to 12 year old girls and is in the top 10 for her 100 and 200 yard butterfly.

"(I like) all the friends you make and it's just fun," said Kayla on why she enjoys swimming competitively.

Kayla recently participated in the National Club Swimming Association Junior National Championship meet in Orlando, Florida March 21-25.

"She's the fastest butterflier off the blocks on our team, so we thought that we would bring her down specifically to swim some relays," said Bradley.

According to her mother Laura, Kayla "held her own" swimming against high school and collage aged ladies.

"They didn't expect her to do well and she did. It was a really good thing," said Laura.

Kayla was able to set a personal best time of 26.2 seconds in the 50 meter relay.

Bradley attributes Kayla's natural athletic ability and good work ethic towards as the keys to her accomplishments.

"She works really hard and she deserves all of the success that she's achieved," he said.

According to Kayla, she practices for two hours a day. Her other favorite sport is soccer, but it has taken a backseat to swimming this year.

"She made a decision that she wanted to see how good she could be, so she focused a little bit more on the swimming and as a result saw a lot of success," said Bradley.

However, as Kayla's talents have grown, so have the expenses that go with competitive swimming. The week long trip to the meet in Orlando cost $1600 for Kayla and her mother.

"My biggest concern is I don't think I can financially keep up with her success," said Laura, "I'm excited for her, I'm proud of her, but it's like a bitter-sweet."



Photo courtesy of Laura Skenandore

12-year-old Kayla Skenandore of the Waukesha Express Swim Team competed in the Junior Nationals in Orlando.

As Kayla's family plans to budget for future events, Coach Bradley sees even more potential in the pre-teen as she matures.

"A lot of what's she's done up to this point has been with getting better when she gets older in mind," he said.

Still, Kayla keeps it all in perspective.

"It was fun and all this stuff," she said of the meet.

Local

From Page 1/ *Victims of school shooting honored one year after*

nearby Bemidji State University.

"It's just meant to sort of honor the person and remind us of the life we had together," Cook said. "It's sort of a happy moment as opposed to a sad time."

The dinners are intended to help people move on, but "I think it's still going to take another year or two to really get over the events of last March 21st," Cook said.

Alex Roy, 15, is among the many who will need more time.

Chase Lussier, 15, was her boyfriend, and the couple had a son just a couple of months before the attack. The pair planned to get married, and Chase often talked about how they would have a big family - enough boys to make their own basketball team.

Alex spent the past year watching little Ayden Chase Lussier take his first steps and have his first birthday - without Chase to share it.

"It was a happy time to see her son do things like that, but then at times it was hard for her because every time she knew she had to watch him do any of this without him," said Sue Roy, Alex's mother.

Sue and Alex Roy planned to spend a quiet day Tuesday visiting Chase's gravesite and the gravesites of other shooting victims.

Some ceremonies already have been conducted. St. Mary's Mission, a Catholic church on the reservation, held a week of prayer last week. Every day, a Mass was held in honor of one or more victims, including Weise, the gunman.

A memorial dinner for Alicia White is planned for Saturday. Her younger sister, 11-year-old Andrea White, put together a memory book filled with pictures of Alicia. The event will include a buffet dinner and music.

Alicia was a cheerleader who wanted to go into the Army and eventually become an FBI agent. She loved school and worked hard to get good grades, Spike said.

Spike has two memorial tattoos of her daughter, including a portrait of her daughter with the words "Baby Girl" etched above it on her left arm.

Spike said she still has feelings of anger and depression. She has journals, in which she writes letters to Alicia a couple times a month, telling her how much she misses her.

"Even though it's been a year," Spike said, "I'm just devastated by it, by her being gone."



(AP Photo/Jim Mone)

Victoria Brun walks back to her pew after speaking at a memorial mass Tuesday, March 21, 2006 in Red Lake, Minn., on the one-year anniversary of the shootings on the Red Lake Reservation which claimed 10 lives, including that of her brother, high school security guard Derrick Brun.

From Page 1/ *State-Tribe Relations*

Wisconsin's history, and is strengthening both the social and economic ties between the State of Wisconsin and Tribal governments to eliminate duplicated efforts, improve cooperation, and save taxpayer dollars."

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- Background information and history detailing Governor Doyle's State-Tribal Consultation Initiative.
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- Contact information for tribal affairs staff in Wisconsin's state agencies.
- An explanation of basic protocols recommended for state agencies and local governments to follow when working with tribal governments.
- Answers to frequently asked questions about Native American governments, businesses, history and culture.
- Links to other state and national Native American

Spring Election 'Sample' ballot

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FOR NONPARTISAN OFFICE
APRIL 4, 2006

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DISTRICT 24
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PATTY HOEFT
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MULTIJURISDICTIONAL JUDGE
MUNICIPAL JUDGE FOR TOWN OF LAWRENCE AND VILLAGE OF HOBART
Vote for One

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Write-in

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RANDY VANDENACK
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Write-in

SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WEST DE PERE
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER
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SAMPLE

Please see page 4 of this issue for more election information.

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DISTRICT 24
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Local

Passing On

Baird, Laban W.
August 7, 1913 – March 11, 2006

Laban W. Baird, 92, of Hermansville died Saturday, March 11, 2006, at Pinecrest Medical Care Facility in Powers.

He was born on Aug. 7, 1913, in Oneida, Wis., the son of the late Laban and Hattie (Smith) Baird.

Laban married Linda Krohn on July 26, 1939, in Manitowoc, Wis.

He served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II as a Glider man. He is a life member of the 82nd Airborne Association and Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge and member of Floriano-Stecker Post 340 American Legion in Hermansville.

Laban is a member of the First United Methodist Church and Senior Center of Hermansville. He worked for Johnson Lumber Co., retiring in 1974.

Laban is survived by his wife of 66 years, Linda; son, Calvin (Cynthia) Baird of Vulcan; grandchildren, Kristy (Tim) Plaswirth of Muscle Shoals, Ala. and Daniel Baird of Vulcan; great-grandchildren, Erika and Nick Plaswirth; brother, Reginald Baird of Manitowoc, sister, Miriam Luchsinger and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Kenny, Al and Calvin Baird and his sister, Rebecca Schwab.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Interment will be at the Meyer Township Cemetery.

The Miner-Ortman Funeral Home of Norway is assisting the family with the funeral arrangements.

Reed, Sr., Emerson K.
March 3, 1934 – March 19, 2006



Emerson K. Reed, Sr., 72, of Oneida, passed away Sunday morning, March 19, 2006 at home surrounded by his loving family and friends. The son of the late Vincent and Christine (Wheelock) Reed was born March 3, 1934 in Michigan . On July 5, 1960, he married the former Rachael Doxtator in Oneida. She preceded him in death on May 26, 2004.

Mr. Reed worked construction, was a member of Laborer's Local 539 and worked at Schuster Construction and Streu Construction. Emerson was a Veteran of the U.S. Navy from 1952 to 1956 and saw action during the Korean War. He was a member of the Robert W. Cornelius VFW Post in Oneida and was active in the community. He enjoyed hunting, golfing, bingo, the casinos, going for rides, and spending time with his family and friends. He was a member of Riverview Baptist Church with Pastor Shawn Suri.

Survivors include his children, Elaine (Clarence) Doxtator, Wanda (Raymond) Reed, Barbara (Daniel) Summers, Vicky (David) Reed-Vander Zanden, Emerson, Jr. (Laurie) Reed, Joseph Reed, Bear Reed, Billy (Michelle) Reed, twenty three grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren; his brothers and sisters, Theresa Reed, Robert Reed, George Reed, Leona Charles, Walter Reed, and Jude Skenadore. Survivors also include nieces and nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his wife, Rachael, and one son, "Big Al", and a great-grandson Brandon

Services were held on Thursday, March 23, 2006 at Holy Apostles Church, Freedom Road, Oneida. Reverend Shawn Suri officiated with burial in Holy Apostles Cemetery, with full Oneida Nation Veteran Honors Services.

Ryan Funeral Home, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Reed family.

The Reed family extends a special thank you to the C.O.P.P.S. Program, Unity Hospice, the staff at the Davita Dialysis Center, County Rescue, Dr. Smith, Oneida Community Support, and Anna John Nursing Home for their care and support.

In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, memorial funds have been established for the Kidney Foundation, Cancer Society and Diabetes Association.

Granquist, Sr., Robert S.
May 12, 1925 - March 19, 2006

Robert S. Granquist, Sr., age 80 of Bowler, passed away Sunday, March 19, 2006 at his home. Robert was born on May 12, 1925 in Norway, MI, son of the late Henning and Mildred (Carlson) Granquist. He was a Veteran of the United States Army and served during the Korean War. On November 17, 1952 he was united in marriage to Ramona Wilber in Milwaukee. Robert lived most of his adult life in the Bowler area and was a member of the Morgan Siding Assembly of God Church. He enjoyed spending time with his family, hunting, doing outdoor activities and carpentry work, painting, and watching adventure movies.

Robert is survived by: his wife Ramona; his 9 children, Marge Butler of St. Paul, MN, Robert (Jodell) Granquist, Jr., of Oneida, Rhonda (Craig) Kroening of Stockbridge, Rene (Rodger, Jr.) Cree, of Oneida, Ricky (Stephanie) Granquist of Oneida, Rochelle (Rod) Moede of Green Bay, Roxanne (DuWayne) Mitchell of Marysville, WA, Randean (Yvette) Granquist of Stockbridge, Reatha (Julius) Granquist of Green Bay; 29 grandchildren, Robert, Harvey, Chad, Bradley, Brandon, Shelly, Shannon, Stacey, Steven, Rolanda, Tully, Sheena, Curtis, Ramona, Ricky, Jr., Alyssa, Caitlyn, Burt, Jr., Brandy, Tara, Micah, Michael, Nykia, Tony, Eva, Desiree, Leanna, Autumn, Gordon; 22 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Joyce (Bruce) Litscher of Chicago, Jeanni (William) Bree of Manawa; and 1 sister-in-law, Shirley Granquist.

Robert was preceded in death by: 1 granddaughter, Tiffany; 2 great-grandchildren, Nyasia and Joshua; his parents; 1 sister, Dorothy (Bruce) Pelletier; and 1 brother, Jackie Granquist.

Funeral services were Thursday, March 23, 2006 at the Assembly of God Church in Morgan Siding. Rev. Rodger Cree officiated with burial in the Stockbridge Indian Burial Grounds. Full Military Rites were conducted by the Mohican Veterans and the Gresham American Legion Post #390.

Swedberg Funeral Home, 518 W. Fifth St., Shawano assisted the family with the arrangements.

Episcopal burial process

Announcement from Holy Apostles Episcopal Church in Oneida:

Recently, the church adopted a policy on its burial processes in the Holy Apostles Church Cemetery. This policy was drafted by the Holy Apostles Cemetery Committee and adopted by the church vestry. This information has been shared with the local funeral homes. The policy considers the church's concern of the potential lack of burial space in the cemetery.

This announcement is intended to help you when you need to make burial arrangements in the Holy Apostles Church Cemetery.

We have a new price listing to help you when you need to make burial arrangements. The pricing information is found in the Burial Procedures brochure located at the back of the church or by telephoning the church office at: **(920) 869-2565.**

When contact is made, the funeral home or the church will ask for the main contact and if the deceased is a member o the Holy Apostles Church.

The church membership criteria includes that of attending church regularly, providing support through pledging and other offerings to the Holy Apostles Episcopal Church.

For more information, please contact the church office, the church Vestry or the church's cemetery committee. Their telephone numbers are found on the church's Sunday bulletins and on the burial procedures brochure.

"Let us pray for all who mourn, that they may cast their care on God, and know the consolation of his love." The Book of the Common Prayer

Thank you,

The Holy Apostles Episcopal Church Vestry

In Loving Memory of

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who passed away four years ago on March 16th



You may be gone from here
but so many of the good times
I still remember.

Being apart from you isn't easy
I find myself missing you so
much more in so many ways.
Loving thoughts of you fill my
days. And dreams of you fill
my nights

No matter what I'm doing, I know it
would be so much better if I could
be sharing it with you.
I can imagine the things you'd say if you were
with me, or the way you would laugh when something we said or did that was funny
(and we did that a lot).

I still feel so close to you and I'm hoping
that days will go by because I want to
be able to talk and walk and laugh with
you again.
I really, really miss you more as time goes by.

Travis, you are greatly missed by your family.

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Dawn M. Skenandore
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A butterfly lights beside us
like a ray of Light
And for a brief moment,
Her glory and beauty is
Shared with us;
Then she flies on again
And though we wish
she could have stayed
We feel blessed to have seen her...

Happy Birthday…
Our thoughts are with you
on this special day
Love Mom

Thank You…



On behalf of the Erwin M. Hill family, I would like to take this time to express our sincerest appreciation for all the food, flowers, and plants that were donated during this difficult time in our lives. Had it not been for our extended family, friends and acquaintances, this period in our lives would have been much more difficult to face than what we have already gone through.

Due to the loving support and assistance we have received from the Oneida community, this transition in our lives will be much more easier to face in the days ahead.

Once again, thank you for your support and kindness.

Sincerely,

The Family of Erwin M. Hill

A message of Thanks

Our Thanks to you...family & friends
Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair,
Perhaps you sent a funeral spray,
If so we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
As any friend could say;
Perhaps you were not there at all,
Just thought of us that day,
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you so much whatever part.

Our sorrow is easier to bear with the help of friends like you. We want you to know how much we appreciate all that you have done for us in our recent bereavement. Thank you Oneida Singers, Oneida Elderly Services Staff and the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging, VFW Ladies Auxiliary #7784 and Oneida Transit. Special thanks to Rev. Julius Alavardo, Pastor Shawn Suri, Arleen Elm, Carol Elm, Debbie Melchert, Vicki Johnson, Helen Webster, Evelyn Elm, Harriet Reiter, Karen Smith, and all the people who brought food for the wake and dinner.

The family of Florence Elm

Do You Know....

Who was the first Miss Oneida?

The Miss Oneida Committee is looking for documented information as to who was crowned the first ever Miss Oneida and when it took place.



Please contact Tana Aguirre via telephone at 920.869.4239 or via E-mail at: taguirre@oneidanation.org
Or contact Racquel Hill at 920.869.4388 or rhill2@oneidanation.org.

Any assistance we receive in regards to this matter is greatly appreciated. Yaw^ko.

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Local

From Page 1/*Spring elections drawing near*

opportunity to bring people together, an opportunity to promote understanding between the tribe and the county and a great, great opportunity to help make our community a better place," said Hoeft.

With less than a week left to campaign, Hoeft was working getting people out to vote.

Retired West DePere High School guidance counselor Al Manders has thrown his hat in the ring for a spot on the West DePere School board challenging incumbent Patti Mason.

Manders believes his background as an educator in the district will enhance his ability to serve on the board.

"There are things that I think that I could do for the community that will best serve and keep the costs down," said Manders.

Manders is currently a member of the Oneida Land Commission and had previously served as treasurer for the Oneida Business Committee.

There are three polling stations in the Brown County section of the reservation: Green Bay Botanical Gardens at 2600 Larson Road, First Baptist Church at 2421 West Point Road and Hobart Town Hall at 2703 Pine Tree Road.

In Outagamie County, voting will take place at the Town of Oneida Town Hall at N6593 County Road H. Polling stations are highlighted on the map below this story.

Polling stations open at 7:00am and close at 8:00pm. Employees of the Oneida Tribe are allowed an hour off of work to go vote.

Look forward to a *"Swinging Time"* at the

Oneida Family Carnival

June 2nd & 3rd, 2006

at the Norbert Hill Center.



Stay tuned for exciting Entertainment Announcements

Calendar

EVENTS

March – April

Holy Apostles Church Lenten Fish Frys
WHEN: March 31st & April 7th
TIME: Serving 3 to 6 P.M.
PLACE: Parish Hall
$8.00 per plate. For more information call 869-2565.

April 12th

A Circle of Healing for Women
WHEN: Starting Wednesday, April 12th
TIME: 9:30am to 11:30am
PLACE: Oneida Behavioral Health, 2641 West Point Rd.
This will be a eight week group addressing issues related to the effects of sexual abuse. Please call Shelly Riutta **490-3726** to schedule an intake session by **April 4th**.

April 8th

UW-Green Bay – 2006 Pow Wow
WHEN: Saturday, April 8th (Noon to 10 P.M.)
TIME: Grand Entries 1:00PM & 7:00PM
PLACE: Phoenix Sports Center, UWGB Campus
Want to volunteer? Want to be a vendor? Have questions? Call 920-465-2720 for more information. Sponsored by intertribal student council.

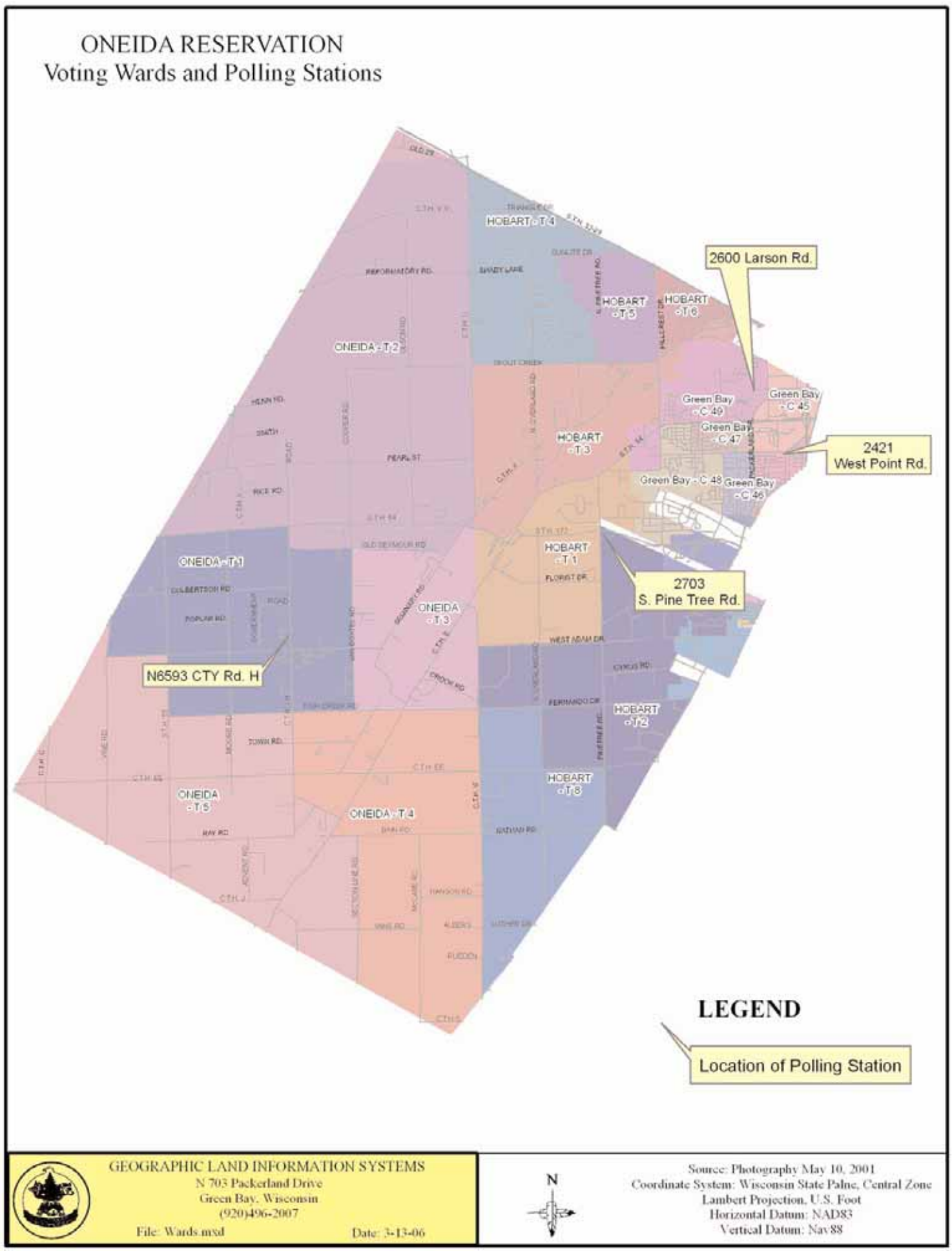
April 8th

Flap Jack Flippin Larry
WHEN: Saturday, April 8th
TIME: 8:00AM – 11:00AM
PLACE: Parish Hall, Across from the Holy Apostles Church, Freedom Road
All the Pancakes you can eat! $6.00 per person, $5.00 Seniors, Children 2 and under free. Fun for the whole family! March of Dimes - Team Oneida fund raiser

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682**.

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.



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From Page 1/*America's Dream, ownership that is earned*

"The process is tedious because, we don't simply turn away unqualified applicants," King said. "We work with them to improve their application and eventually all will get qualified."

Other requirements include income guidelines. The income guidelines are not very low and many families in Brown and Outagamie county would qualify. For example a four person family in Brown County the limit is $51,700.

"This is the easiest way for a family to get a home and most affordable," King said. "With no down payment and interest as low as 1%, this program can not be beat."

The reason such low interest rates and no down payment can be given is that the families manual labor or "sweat equity" is used in place of the monetary need. All the houses are built by the families. Construction supervisors and other professionals are on hand to assist in the building, but 65% of the labor must be done by the families. All families must help each other build their homes, and all families must move in together at the same time. This will improve team work and hinder hard feelings if one house is finished before the others. Each family must work at least 30 hours a week on each others homes.

Contribute photo

America's Dream, Inc. recently received a check in the amount of $516,000 from Rural Development. Above, (left to right) are: Linda Dallas, Amerca's Dream, Alan R. King, America's Dream, Dave Schwobe, Rural Development Area Director, Laurie Johnson, self-help housing applicant, Danette Woodmansee, America's Dream, Tammy Metoxen, self-help applicant, Donna Huebner, Rural Development Manager, Frank Frasetto, State Director, Keith Moore, Construction Supervisor for America's Dream.

"It's not a hand out," King said. "These people have to work hard to achieve their goal of owning a house, but that goal will be more gratifying knowing that they built their own home."

For more information on America's Dream, Inc. or to see if you qualify call 833-9457.

"If you want a home, we can provide it," King said.

Education

Boiling down watha>ots$kheta





Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Top: Oneida culture teacher Maxine Thomas explains the process of making maple syrup to third grade students from the Oneida Nation Elementary School. Members of the Oneida Veterans helped with the labor intensive boil down.

Right: Faith Powless tests sap straight from the maple tree.

Youth learn leadership

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Four tribes are coming together to hold the first annual Tribal Leadership/Suicide Prevention Conference in Keshena Friday April 7th through Sunday, April 9th.

The conference will develop leadership skill in participating youth ages 12 to 18 as well as address suicide prevention which is the second leading cause of death of Native Americans between the ages of 15 to 24.

"Youth that are living on remote reservation areas and kind of feeling that sometimes they're alone," said Jennifer Fowler, a coordinator for the Stockbridge-Munsee Family Services Teen Prevention Program. She believes the conference will give young people "an opportunity to meet other youth from different tribes and establish bonds," and lasting friendships.

The Stockbridge-Munsee and the Menominee Tribe of Wisconsin began working together on the project and then invited the Forest County Potawatomi and the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin to participate.

Organizers hope to have 11 tribes and 150 youth in attendance.

Oneida youth will be participating in a youth panel on Monday where the young people will educate adults on teen suicide.

"Some of our teens, they have experienced suicide within their family or personally," said Youth Education Advocate (YES) Jacqueline Ninham, "They're going to talk about what can adults do to help with youth who may be experiencing that."

Oneida will also be providing guest speakers and some teens will be hosting break out sessions during Saturday's expo held at the Menominee High School.

"What we started was a teen suicide prevention/intervention team, and these teens are being trained by the Oneida Behavioral Health and Youth Enrichment Services on how to identify suicidal behaviors and how to intervene," said Ninham.

Along with educational sessions, there will be fun activities such as a ropes course and a dance on Saturday night.

While the conference focuses on young adults, organizers say the events at Saturday's expo are open to the public.

Fowler hopes the conference will rotate between the four tribes in the future.

"We're feeling pretty confidant that this is going to be a successful conference and this is going to be something that will be continuing on." she said.

There are a few open spots for teens available. Contact Jacqueline Ninham at **920-822-6733** for more information. The conference is free for participating youth.

Oneida College Fair set for May 1

With this year's college fair right around the corner, (May 1st from 10am-3pm at the Radisson) it's a great time to take a look at this annual event and the community involvement that makes it such a great success

Approximately seven years ago, the Higher Education Department along with the Tribe's Gaming Training Division sponsored the first college fair to meet growing community needs. This relationship continues and has grown to include relationships with other Tribal departments/entities including Youth Enrichment Services, Oneida Tribal High School and the area's seven major school districts.

Great strides have been made to provide something for everyone; high school aged students seeking career guidance, Tribal employees seeking educational advancement, and community members seeking a great place to network and meet friends old and new. Not only does this event foster awareness of a variety of institutions of higher learning, but also provides one- on- one access to school recruiters, counselors and other representatives.

This is truly a community prize that emphasizes the Oneida Nation's dedication to education. We hope that you will take the time to join us!

April computer classes announced

By Bob O'Donnell
CEC Computer Instructor

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced its schedule of computer classes for April. Classes are free for tribal members and employees, and held at the Center's location at 2632 S. Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced training in Corel WordPerfect Office and Microsoft Office software, the Community Education Center also offers classes for those who are new to computers and would like to learn more about how to use computers at home or work.

Among the classes to be offered in April are"Computer for Beginners" which is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, April 4. This three-session class provides those who have little or no prior computer experience with a basic understanding of how to use computers. A three-session class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows XP" will be offered starting on Tuesday, April 11.

There will be "Introduction to Microsoft Internet Explorer" class offered on April. This one-hour classes provides students with a basic understanding of how to use Explorer to navigate the Internet. There will be"Introduction to Digital Imaging and Digital Cameras" classes on April 7 and 21.

For those looking to learn word processing for home or work, an introductory class on Corel WordPerfect will begin on Tuesday, April 4. There will be an introductory class on Microsoft Word beginning on Tuesday, April 18. Both these classes provide students with an understanding of the basics of using a computer typing letters, reports, etc.

Those who would like to learn how to use computer spreadsheets can attend an introductory class, the Center offers classes on both Corel Quattro Pro and Microsoft Excel. Introductory classes in both software programs start on Tuesday, April 4.

Also in April, the Community Education Center will be offering classes on Microsoft Access, Microsoft Publisher, and Microsoft PowerPoint. Introductory keyboarding training is also available using the award-winning Mavis Beacon software. Students can work at their own pace to learn the basics of typing and using a computer keyboard.

In addition to classes, one-on-one computer training and assistance is also available by appointment during regular business hours: Monday thru Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. In observance of the holiday weekend, however, the Center will be closed at noon of Friday, April 14, and there will be no Saturday hours on April 15. For more information on computer classes, or one-on-one assistance, contact the Oneida Nation Community Education Center at **496-7860.**

NAJA partners with Navajo Times

10-week Internship offered this Summer

NAJA is partnering with The Navajo Times to offer a 10-week internship for a NAJA student June 5–Aug. 11, 2006.

Applicants must submit the following to the Times:

* Current resume
* 5-8 newspaper clips or writing samples
* Documentation verifying NAJA membership
* Two letters of reference
* A cover letter on how the internship will benefit your career and will assist you in your plans to graduate from college.

Internship applicants must be current NAJA student members in good standing. Special consideration will be given to those student applicants who have participated in past NAJA training programs, such as workshops held during the annual convention, Project Phoenix or the college Student Projects. Students who have also completed the Freedom Forum's American Indian Journalism Institute program will also be given special consideration.

Interns will receive $540 a week. Interns will be responsible for their own housing and transportation expenses and arrangements. **The application deadline is May 5.**

All applicants and selected intern(s) will be notified by May 12. For more information, please call Navajo Times publisher Tom Arviso Jr. at 928-871-6641 or email tarviso@navajotimes.com

Project Phoenix

NAJA is accepting applications for Project Phoenix, a weeklong journalism camp that introduces the exciting field of journalism to Native American high school students. 15 Selected applicants, will learn the basics of journalism skills by working with Native and non-Native media professionals in producing a newspaper called Rising Voices. To download an application, go to http://www.naja.com/programs/students/project-phoenix. **Deadline for applications is May 1.**

Scholarships

Jaycees of Wisconsin Foundation

The Jaycees of Wisconsin Foundation is again offering a $500 scholarship to a deserving student. This scholarship was established in 1993 to honor an outstanding Jaycee who died after a courageous battle with cancer. The Denise Bertucci Memorial Scholarship is meant for the nontraditional student–one who is returning to school after a break in formal education.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, having returned to school after at least two years off. Must be a full time continuing student with at least 2 semesters of school completed since returning. Applicant must have a gpa of 3.0, based on a 4.0 scale. Three letters of recommendation must be included in the application packet.

For more information contact the Scholarship Committee at **jcwfscholarship@netscape.net.** Or contact Debbie Van Natta, 2006 Bertucci Scholarship Committee Chairperson, **P O Box 1547, Appleton WI 54912**. Deadline for applications is **June 1st of each year.**

AICCW Scholarships

The American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin, Inc. will provide scholarships of $1000 ($500/semester) to Wisconsin American Indian students attending institutions of higher education. Preference will be given to those majoring in business administration or related field at a 4-year college or university.

One scholarship of $2000 will be awarded to a student attending UW Oshkosh and majoring in business.

Applicants must be Wisconsin residents and show proof of tribal enrollment or descendancy. Visit the web at: **http://www.aiccw.org**

Two letters of recommendation are required. Call the AICCW at **877-603-2044** if you have any questions about the scholarship. Applications are available at the Oneida Higher Education Office, **800-236-2214**. Deadline for application materials is **April 17, 2006**.

NAJA Student Project

Get Seen, Get Heard, Get Published! NAJA is accepting applications for the 2006 Student Projects, a weeklong workshop for Native American students majoring in print, radio, television or online journalism. More than 35 Native students from around the country will be accepted for the workshop scheduled Aug. 7-12 in Tulsa, Okla. NAJA provides a small stipend for the week, and hotel and travel expenses. For more information or download an application, email us at info@naja.com, call us at **(605) 677-5282** or go to **http://www.naja.com/programs/students/student_projects. Deadline for applications is May 1.**

Attention... All Graduating 2006 High School Seniors

The Kalihwisaks is preparing to honor all "2006" graduating HIGH SCHOOL Seniors in the **May 25th, 2006** issue of the Kalihwisaks with a special graduation centerfold in full color.

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PHOTOS:
FRIDAY, MAY 5th, 2006
*Any pictures received after the deadline date **may not be included** in the Special Graduation centerfold!

If you would like to be showcased in the Special 'High School Graduate' Section of the Kalihwisaks, please send the following by Friday, May 5th, 2006

- One photo – preferably vertical. Color preferred, black & white is acceptable.
- Include the following with submission:
 - Name of High School you will be graduating from.
 - Parents names.
 - Return address, or if you prefer, a SASE so the photo can be mailed back to you

Send photos to: Yvonne Kaquatosh c/o Kalihwisaks-Graduate Special, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155
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Health

Elder abuse a growing problem

Submitted by Joyce Johnson
Elder Abuse Prevention Coordinator

My name is Joyce Johnson and I have been the Elder Abuse Prevention Coordinator for Oneida Elderly Services for two years. My office is located at Oneida Elderly Services, 2907 S. Overland Rd., Oneida, Wisconsin.

As the Oneida Elder Abuse Prevention Coordinator, I work primarily with elders who may be the victims of Financial/Material Exploitation, Physical Abuse, Neglect or Self-Neglect. In some cases the police are contacted and after an investigation and substantiation, they may make a referral to the District Attorney for prosecution. In other cases, referrals may be made to the supportive services that the Oneida Tribe, and Oneida Elderly Services provides. Oneida Social Services provides such services as Community Support, Catastrophic Support, and Counseling services. Oneida Elderly Services provides services such as respite, home chore, home maintenance, outreach, and Meals-On-Wheels. Faith in Action (FIA) whose coordinator is also located at Oneida Elderly Services provides volunteer services such as transportation within reservation boundaries, and respite care for the care giver. Sometimes these basic services are all that are needed to help our elder to remain independent or in their homes as long as possible. Once it has been determined that supportive services would benefit the elder, appropriate services will be offered and if accepted they will be provided. As a self-determining and competent person, an elder or their guardian does have the option of refusing services.

Elder Abuse is a national problem that has no racial or financial boundaries. It is found among all socio-economic classes. According to the Wisconsin Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and reports submitted by counties, a disturbing aspect of aging is an increase in elder abuse. In 2004 a total of 3,937 cases of suspected abuse and neglect were reported (an increase of 2.2 percent from 2003). Tragically, 17 were fatal and another 320 involved life threatening situations.

Each year Adult Protective Services Agencies, and designated Lead Agencies are required to submit reports to the Bureau of Aging and Long Term Disability Department (BALTCR) regarding the elder abuse reports that they have received. These reports provide information about the type of abuse reported, characteristics of the victims and abusers, and local responses. The report guides the State's efforts to prevent elder abuse and protect our valuable resources, our senior citizens.

If you have any concerns about an elder that may be the victim of financial, physical, care giver neglect or self-neglect, there are services that can help to alleviate these situations. Please contact and report your concerns to your local Adult Protective Services Agency, or if the elder resides within the Oneida Reservation to the Oneida Elder Abuse Prevention Coordinator, Joyce Johnson at **(920)869-2448.**

Questions and answers on Avian Influenza

Submitted by Eric Krawczyk
Community Health Services Director

(Part 2 of 3 in the series)

With all the media attention over the past year on "Avian Influenza" the following information is provided to give everyone a better understanding of what this public health concern is really about. The Community Health Services Department does have a plan to address this issue and is also in on-going discussions to redesign the Emergency Management area for the Oneida Nation. It is our intention to continue to keep our community educated on this public health issue and to continue to work in a direction that enhances preventive preparedness.

What is the government doing to prepare for a pandemic?

Planning…

In response to a recommendation by the World Health Organization (WHO), preparedness plans are being developed at the federal, state, and local levels of government. In November 2003 Wisconsin developed a pandemic influenza response document.

Locally, Outagamie County Public Health Division and surrounding local health departments are doing planning through a consortium. Members of local health departments participated in a number of exercises to plan into the emergency operations and continuity of operations plans. Specific plans have been developed with consideration for Special Needs populations such as nursing homes, child care facilities and community based residential facilities. The plans also include how other emergency response partners, such as law enforcement, fire and ambulance would work together to care for people of Outagamie County.

The pandemic influenza response document for Wisconsin can be viewed at: **http//www.dhfs.wisconsin.gov/preparedness/pdf_files/WIPandemicInfluenzaPlan.pdf**

Treatment/Vaccination

Currently there is no vaccine available for avian influenza. Humans have no immunity to avian influenza. Influenza vaccine produced in the United States every year will not protect against avian influenza. Although a vaccine for avian influenza is under development in a few countries, it is not expected to be widely available until after a pandemic starts. Limited evidence suggests that some antiviral drugs such as Tamiflu or Relenza, currently used for seasonal influenza, may improve prospects of survival if given within 48 hours after onset of symptoms.

Containment Measures…

Containment measures refer to actions that attempt to decrease transmission of influenza from person to person and to slow the spread of influenza in a community. Containment measures might include:

- Measures that affect individuals, such as isolation of patients and monitoring their contacts.
- Measures that affect groups or entire communities, such as cancellation of public gatherings, closing of schools or implementation of community-wide snow days.
- State and local health authorities will use data about how the epidemic is spreading to guide their discussions on implementing the most appropriate containment measures.

Travel Restrictions…

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), travelers to areas affected by avian influenza in birds are not considered to be at elevated risk of infection unless they have direct and unprotected exposure to infected birds. For more information about travel visit this website: **http://www.cdc.gov/flu/avian/index.htm**

Human cases of avian influenza have been reported in the following countries: Cambodia, China, Indonesia, Thailand, Iraq, Vietnam and Turkey.

Next Issue: What can I do now to prepare for Avian Influenza?

Oneida Food Distribution Program increases service area

Gary Smith
Pantry Coordinator
Nori Damrow
Director

O.F.D.P. and Oneida Pantry are now serving five Counties rather than two.

For 25 years we serviced Brown and Outagamie Counties. We continuously received requests for service from Manitowoc, Door, and Kewaunee Counties.

In 2005 we were given USDA permission to service the three new counties.

Now we need your help. We cannot find the households we had to turn away. If anyone knows any Indian households in the rural areas of Manitowoc, Door, or Kewaunee Counties, please inform them that they can now receive food from O.F.D.P. and O.P.E.N. if they meet the financial and other criteria If you can give us their name and address we will be happy to contact them.

We have new cookbooks based on the O.F.D.P. food inventory. Ask for one from the Intake Specialist or whoever takes your order. They are free and will help you to make your first few delicious meals with our food package.

We left cookbooks at all three County Social Service offices. We are revising our brochures but they will be ready soon and we will also make them available to you through your case workers.

Oneida Pantry Emergency Network (O.P.E.N.)

Better known as Oneida Pantry. The Oneida Pantry is a dynamite program. It got a life of its own as soon as we opened the doors.

With a Warehouse full of food; a free clothes closet filled with new and slightly used clothing; toys; small appliances, dishes, etc. **All Free!**

We also have a jewelry glass case filled with jewelry items, bingo supplies, Oneida hymns on tape, umbrellas, canes, you name it, we got it. The proceeds from this case help us to keep the Pantry going. All proceeds go to the Pantry.

We have no budget. We are obligated to satisfy our own cash needs through fund raising, donations, and grants.

The Oneida Nation is paying the Pantry Coordinator salary but everyone else is volunteering. Much of the food is donated. This is truly a Community Project.

In 2004 we were given $23,000.00 to establish an Endowment. We cannot ever touch the Principal but we can use the interest. The purpose of the Endowment is for Pantry Administrative costs, in particular, the Pantry Coordinator's salary.

The only way we can insure having a Pantry, generation after generation, is by having a devoted, dedicated, energetic, and spirit filled paid Coordinator.

One of the requirements spelled out in the Grant is that we have to make the Principal continue to grow. The Endowment Principal is now over $29,000.00. We figure we will need close to $90,000.00 in the Endowment Principal in order to fully support the Pantry Coordinator salary, fringe, indirect, and mileage expense.

Thanks for reading this lengthy dissertation. It takes many people, much time and resources to make such a successful program. A credit to the Oneida Community.

Come join us. There is something of interest here for everyone.

For more information, call (920) 869-1041 or email: FOOD@oneidanation.org

Blood Drive volunteers appreciated

The Blood Drive Committee and the Red Cross would like to thank the 30 blood donors who took the time out of their busy schedules to participate in the Oneida Blood Drive on Feb. 20th. Because of your donations, 63 lives can be helped or saved!

Huge thanks go to our Blood Drive Committee and volunteers:

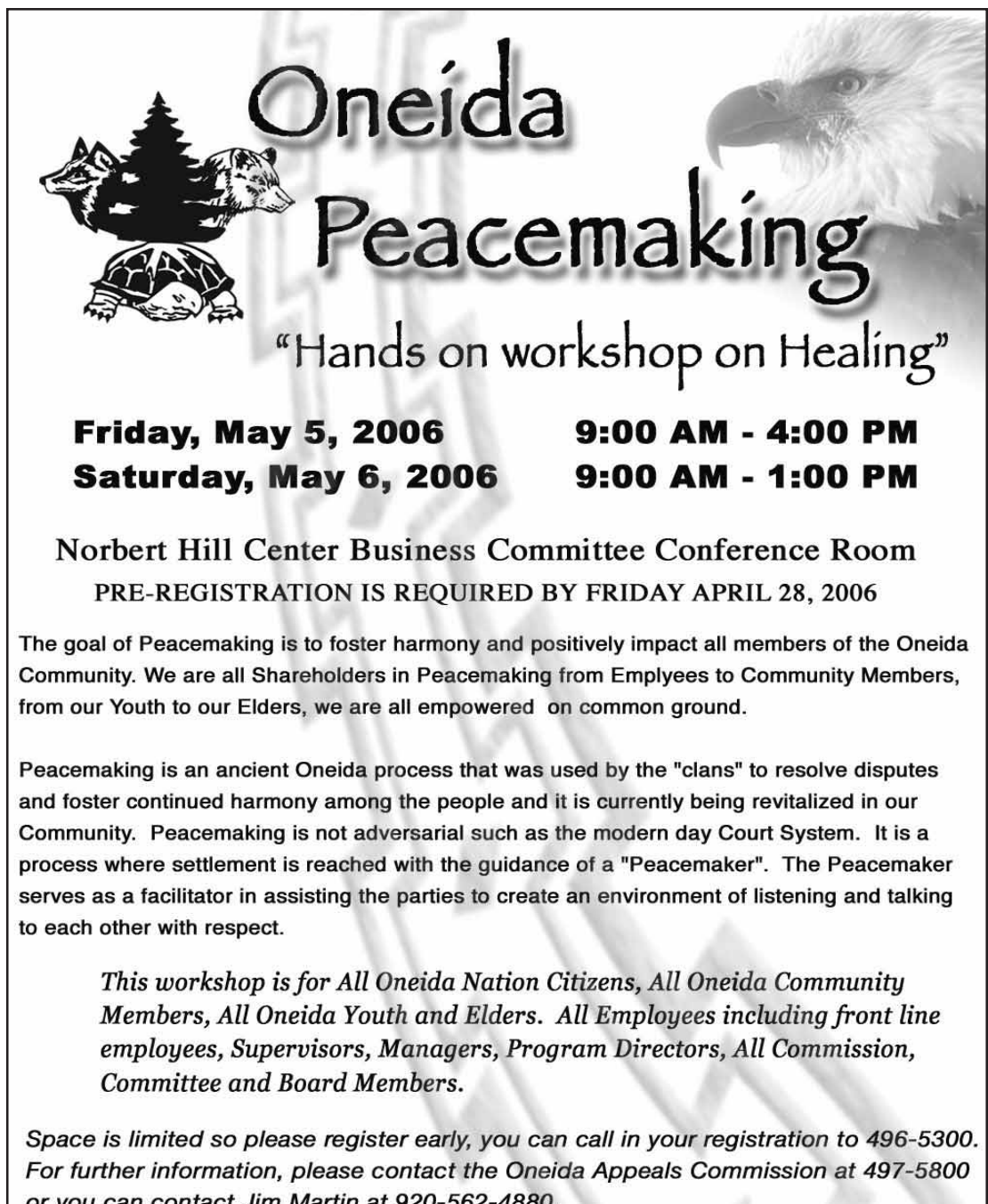
Maria Danforth, Jeanne Kurowski, Barb Truttmann and Casino Maintenance staff, Michelle Mielke and the Oneida Family Fitness staff, Karen Hallada, and Dawn Krines Glatt.

Refreshments were provided by:

– Brenda and Pat Buckley, Subway owners.
– Health Promotion, Oneida Community Health Center
– Red Cross

Please mark your calendars for the next Oneida Blood Drive which will be held on **May 5th.**





Environmental

ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN
Human Resource Development Department

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2630 West Mason Street
Green Bay, WI 54303

Phone: (920) 496-7900
http://hrd.oneidanation.org

Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 365
Oneida, WI 54155-0365

Fax: (920) 496-7911
Job Line: 1-800-236-7050

March 9, 2006

Dear Candidate:

The Oneida Tribe has extended the date to receive applications for the position of General Manager. The closing date for this important tribal position is April 10, 2006.

The General Manager (GM) is responsible for effective and efficient management of the Oneida Nation. The GM is also responsible for developing the Nation's Mission, Vision and Seven Generations planning strategies and incorporating those strategies into operational goals and objectives. The GM monitors the progress of each administrative department throughout the year to ensure satisfactory completion of goals and objectives. Prospective candidates should possess a strong public policy and business background. Candidates must be able to make sound business and operational decisions consistent with laws and philosophies of the Nation. Candidates must be responsive to the diverse needs of the Oneida Community and in an environment characterized by rapid change.

This is an exempt position and reports to the Oneida Business Committee. This position is subject to an annual performance evaluation. Specific terms and conditions are included in the employment contract. The application and job description can by viewed and printed at: http://hrd.oneidanation.org/jobs/jobs.shtml.

Job applications and three (3) letters of reference can be mailed to: Oneida Human Resource Department/ 2630 West Mason St/Green Bay WI 54304, or may be faxed to (920) 496-7911; ATTN: Compensation Department.

The Oneida Nation offers one of the best fringe benefit packages in Northeast Wisconsin. Benefits include medical, dental, vision, free life insurance, short & long term disability, 401K, reduced rates at our Family Fitness Center, nine (9) paid holidays and two (2) ½ paid holidays to name a few.

The Oneida Tribal Human Resource department encourages you as an Oneida to apply for this great opportunity.

Geraldine Danforth, Area Manager
Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department

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JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION: General Manager
POSITION NUMBER: 09012
DEPARTMENT: Administration
LOCATION: N7210 Seminary Rd, Oneida WI
DIVISION: Non-Divisional
RESPONSIBLE TO: Business Committee
SALARY: Grade 00 (NEGOTIABLE DEPENDING ON EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE)
(Incumbent will be subject to an annual Employee Performance Agreement)

****MUST BE AN ENROLLED MEMBER OF THE ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN****

ISSUING DATE: February 8, 2006
CLOSING DATE: March 9, 2006
Proposed Start Date: As Soon As Possible
Transfer/Promotion Deadline: February 14, 2006

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT

The Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability status in employment or the provision of services. However, individuals of Indian ancestry and Veterans will be given preference by law in initial employment or re-employment.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:

HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT
2630 WEST MASON STREET
GREEN BAY WI 54303

OR MAIL TO

HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT
P O BOX 365
ONEIDA WI 54155-0365

POSITION SUMMARY: The General Manager (GM) is responsible for effective and efficient management of services and business units of the Oneida Nation. The GM is responsible for developing the Nation's Mission, Vision, and Seven Generations planning strategies and incorporating those strategies into operational goals and objectives. The GM must monitor the progress of each administrative department throughout the year to ensure satisfactory completion of the approved goals and objectives. The GM must possess a strong public policy and business background, and have thorough knowledge and understanding of the Oneida Nation's history. The GM must be able to make sound business and operational decisions consistent with laws, rules, policies and procedures of the Nation. The GM must be ultimately responsive to the diverse needs of the Oneida Community. Those needs often involve multi-tasking performance in an environment characterized by rapid change.

This is an exempt position and reports to the Business Committee. The GM will be given an annual performance evaluation based on the ability to fulfill the duties and responsibilities outlined in this job description and the terms and conditions specified in the employment contract. Continuation of this position is contingent upon funding allocations.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Manage and supervise the Administrative divisions within the Oneida Nation.
2. Work cooperatively with the Oneida Business Committee in establishing mission, visions and 7th Generation Planning strategies., Incorporate approved strategies into operational goals and objectives to achieve the desired outcomes.
3. Provide the leadership that ensures each administrative department is being managed in a manner that accomplishes established goals and objectives. Maintain progress reports for each division in a manner that reflects the current status of the managerial effectiveness and efficiency of that division to accomplish its goals. Provide status reports as directed by the Oneida Business Committee.
4. Adhere to and enforce all applicable laws, policies and procedures of the Oneida Nation.
5. Develop budgets for administration and assist Division Directors in developing and implementing budgets. Work in conjunction with the Chief Financial Officer and other Executive staff in budget preparation.
6. Analyze monthly reports and financial statements from Division Directors to determine progress in attaining the goals and objectives. Document and report situations and circumstances that may interfere with accomplishing the goals and objectives. Evaluate and interpret financial data/reports to improve the organizations's financial performance.
7. Provide the leadership that creates a positive work environment. Facilitate conflict resolutions and negotiations to create a WIN/WIN situation for all parties whenever possible.
8. Promulgate regulations that protect the Oneida Nation's assets, reputation and values.
9. Ensure that highest level of customer service, internal and external, is implemented, monitored and rewarded.
10. Participate in the development of new initiatives and strategies that are intended to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, or performance of the organization.
11. Maintain open communication with employees and stay apprized of employee issues or grievances throughout the organization.
12. Meet and work cooperatively with employees and tribal members in groups or individually.
13. Attend additional training as needed/required.
14. All other job related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

1. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
2. Masters Degree in Business Administration, Public Administration or related field is preferred.
 NOTE: The Oneida Tribe may consider a combination of education and experience. Applicants who do not possess a Masters Degree in one of the above areas will be expected to formulate a Career Plan to pursue a Master Degree.
3. Five (5) years of previous successful experience in managing and supervising Director level positions is required. Experience must include:
 a. Demonstrated successful Leadership skills. **(Incumbent must provide three (3) letters of reference to complete application)**
 b. Developing and implementing goals and objectives.
 c. Measuring the success/failure of meeting established goals and objectives.
 d. Budget development, implementation, monitoring and controlling expenditures. Evaluation and interpretation of financial statements.
 e. Motivating, training and working effectively with subordinates who have a variety of backgrounds and training.
 f. Evaluation of Director level positions for compliance with established policies and objectives in attaining established goals and objectives.
 g. Planning work load and carrying out assignments efficiently and effectively. Accomplishing tasks within established deadlines and budget constraints.
 h. Communicating with others effectively in oral presentations and in written form.
 i. Demonstrated ability to work well under changes, work pressures and stress.
 j. Objectively and fairly dealing with a wide variety of people who represent a great diversity of backgrounds.
 k. Mediating and facilitating conflicts to create WIN/WIN resolutions.
4. Must be willing and able to complete KRONOS training within fourteen (14) days of employment.
5. Must complete EEO Training within six (6) months of hire.
6. Knowledge of the Oneida Community, its history, culture, government and organizational structure.
7. Ability to adhere to all Personnel Policies and Procedures is required.
8. Ability to present a professional appearance and demeanor as a representative of the Oneida Nation is required.
9. Strong analytical, reasoning and decision making abilities are required.
10. Must pass a pre-employment drug screening. Must adhere to the Tribe's Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy during the course of employment.
11. Must pass a background security check prior to and during the course of employment with the Oneida Nation in order to meet the Employment Eligibility Requirements and/or the Tribal State Compact and/or the Tribal Gaming Ordinance as they pertain to the position and the location of the department.
12. A valid driver's license, reliable transportation and insurance is required. Must obtain a Wisconsin driver's license within thirty (30) days of employment if applicant has an out-of-state drivers license. Must be authorized as eligible to operate a personal vehicle under the Oneida Tribe's Vehicle Drivers Policy prior to actual start date. Must maintain driver's eligibility as a condition of employment.

A Tuberculosis (TB) Screening and/or TB Skin Test is required within thirty (30) days of employment and annually thereafter.

Spring into fashion at upcoming clothing exchange

Submitted by Diane Jourdan
Municipal Recycling Coordinator

Prepare yourselves for the first clothing exchange of the season. Clean out your closets, your cupboards, and unclutter your tables and shelves. It is time for spring cleaning and packing up your unwanted–gently used and clean– clothing and small household items.

You say, there is no more room in you home to store all this "Junk"? Well, we all know that one man's 'junk' is another man's treasure. So, why don't you plan on bringing this 'junk' to the Parish Hall building located at 2936 Freedom Road (County Road E), Oneida. It is across the street from the Holy Apostle's Episcopal Church (Big Stone Church). The next large connecting road would be State Road 172.

This spring the exchange will be held:

Tuesday, April 11, 2006 - Saturday, April 15, 2006.

Times: 7:30 a.m. (Doors open) Tuesday - Friday and close 7:00 p.m.

7:30 a.m. (Doors open) Saturday and close at 2:00 p.m.

Note: You may still bring your items in for donation after 2:00 p.m., but we must be out of the building as soon as possible after 2:00 p.m. on that day.

Don't forget to participate in our Second Annual "Recycled" Fashion Show. For Rules and more details either wait for the next issue of the Kahliwisaks, or, if you can't wait, you may contact Diane at Oneida Environmental Health & Safety at **920-496-5345**, e-mail address at, **djourdan@oneidanation.org** . We will get you registered and arrange for you to receive all information you may need. Remember great prizes and a trophy (to keep for a year then you bring it back so we can recycle it.). There will also be food for all participants.

Also, we are always on the look out for volunteers to keep the piles neat and orderly. So as you are passing through and if you have a few extra minutes, please feel free to unpack a bag or two or straighten out a couple piles of clothing or items on the tables.

We hope to see you all at the Parish Hall the week of the clothing exchange.



Photo Submitted by Diane Jourdan
Community members search for rummaged treasures at the clothing exchange at the Parish Hall.

Lake will offer a variety of recreation

Submitted by Betsy Galbraith
Environmental Specialist

Is there a favorite park or lake that you like to take your family to? What is it about that park that attracts you? What sort of facilities does it offer? As we consider building a new lake and the restoration of our fishing tradition, it is also a good time to think about other recreational opportunities a lake could offer. Over the next year the Lake Team will be asking Oneida Tribal members to tell us what they would like to see at the new lake site.

There are several kinds of recreational opportunities that will likely be included in the new lake. These are things that are directly related to the recovery of the fishery such as:

§ Fishing, including piers and docks
§ Swimming
§ Boating
§ Hiking trails

More elaborate recreational facilities may or may not be included. The decision will be based on what the Oneida people ask for and what the site can safely and comfortably host. Factors that will affect what the site can support include the size of the lake, the size of the property that lake is located on, funding, land forms, and road access. Many community members have already expressed their interest in other recreational and cultural opportunities that could be included as part of the lake site. Some of these ideas include a Pow-wow grounds, community center, picnic shelters, outdoor grills, horseback riding trails, camp fire rings, and an open grassy area for activities.

Sue Majeski, Director of Experiential Education for the Oneida Nation told the Lake Team, "Our program looks forward to the creation of a 40 acre lake for many reasons. We offer progressive paddling sports education and training. We teach individuals or teams how to appreciate the sport of paddling through use of proper paddling techniques, kayak roll clinics, and canoeing skills. If possible, we could utilize the surrounding land for overnight camping and to support one of our many other programming opportunities."

Sue also notes that her program offers snorkeling classes, outsourced scuba classes, as well as recreational youth groups, all of these programs might benefit from the lake project. She also mentions that her program offers Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) activities that can incorporate water as well as dry land programming.

At the present time, the programs use the pond behind the Norbert Hill Center. The pond at that location is much smaller than 40 acres and is heavily used by the community. Sue says, "While we have a space there that we are allowed to use for outdoor clinics, we would have greater accessibility and fewer scheduling conflicts with the addition of this lake."

We look forward to hearing which facilities you would like to have at the new lake in upcoming community meetings. We hope to announce the location(s) for the lake later this spring.

For more information, contact Betsy Galbraith, Environmental Specialist, at **496-5327.**



Legislative Review

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Dear Oneida Constituents,

From September 2005 through December 2005, Oneida and Hobart officials met to discuss various issues which affect our communities. During these talks, Oneida officials believed significant progress was made toward building a foundation of good government to government relations with Hobart. To our surprise and contrary to our belief, editorials in the Green Bay Press Gazette submitted by the Village of Hobart President suggest otherwise.

The Business Committee is dedicated to working in good faith with our neighbors, and in an effort to keep the lines of communication open with our neighbors and constituents, I am sharing with you what I believe the crux of the issues are. The following points have also been shared with our neighbors through an official mailing to both Oneida and Hobart residents. Four very important matters I must address are the O'Hare Boulevard lawsuit, easements, service agreement payments, and the railroad lawsuit.

O'Hare Blvd. is a lawsuit that the Village of Hobart filed against Oneida in 2003 seeking, in part, to condemn tribal land. Oneida and Hobart's elected officials reached an agreement on a settlement to this lawsuit. We agreed that Oneida would pay for construction of O'Hare Blvd., own and maintain the road, and allow necessary easements for Hobart businesses on the road. The last remaining step was for the settlement document to be completed by the end of January 2006, however, proposals from Oneida to finalize this matter have not been responded to by Hobart since the middle of January. We believe with resolution, Oneida and Hobart can effectuate commitments to local business and expand economic opportunity.

Easements, another issue discussed, resulted in Oneida delivering a presentation at a Village meeting to explain and discuss in an open session, our government's easement process. Oneida acknowledges our easement process is rather protracted, but we believe we can improve the process. However, when the land in question is held in trust status, approval from the Bureau of Indian Affairs can add three months to the process. Hobart was to reciprocate and discuss its easement process, but that has yet to happen.

Terms for annual **Oneida/Hobart Service Agreement** payment are outlined in the agreement, and the payment is due annually by January 31. We strive to be timely with any payments, and Oneida imputes the payment not being delivered until March 3, 2006 to the payment formula, which requires both Oneida and Hobart to work through. Oneida officials were engaged with Village officials to arrive at the correct amount owed to the Village, and that work was not completed until February 22, 2006. We support our steps taken under the terms of our agreement and have fulfilled the monetary obligation.

Speculation also surrounds the **"Specialized Services" payment.** This "one time payment" was originally intended to support fire safety. However, at the request of Village representatives, the dollars were reprogrammed for road repairs. Governments must follow specific processes to spend dollars, assuring all affected parties that monies are allocated in accordance with the intended use. Oneida's approval process is no different, and upon final approval by Oneida, a check was hand delivered to the Village in the amount of $100,000.00.

Another lawsuit filed by Village officials relates to the **former railroad easement** and its taxability. Before the filing of this lawsuit, Village leaders never raised questions about the property. The land associated with the railroad's 1870 easement agreement with Oneida had never been taxable by the Village. Railroads do not pay taxes; they simply make payments to the state.

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Chairman Danforth

Letters, Opinions...

We are Proud!

Patti Ninham Hoeft is running for public office: District 24, Brown County Board of Supervisors.

The Oneida Nation of eligible voters have the rare opportunity to elect one of our very own. We all know her now as the secretary of the Business Committee. This office is an elected position which she is currently serving in the most professional manner. She is dedicated, loyal and has all of our interests for the future or our seven nations, Brown County, Wisconsin and the United States of America.

We are Oneida Veterans whom are assisting Patti on this quest, the four of us are asking you to participate in this election and get all of your friends to come out and vote on April 4th, 2006. We can provide transportation if you have no way to the voting booth.

Clifford Doxtator, Russell Metoxen, Roy Metoxen, Jim Overman and Dale Peters

Gratitude expressed

Shekoli,

My name is Paul Bad Horse Stevens and I would like to take this opportunity to say yaw^ko to each and everyone of you who prayed for my safe return from Iraq. I am very proud to be a member of this community. Knowing that there were so many of you here at home supporting me through the last few years gave me more strength than you could imagine.

I would also like to thank my mother, grandmothers, and family for organizing the celebration at the Radisson in my honor. Also, thank you to those of you that attended the party, I hope that you enjoyed the food and music, I know that I did. Again, I also need to thank my wife Kelly, for standing by me through these very trying times.

Words cannot express how thankful I am to all of you, my family, my community, the Veterans, the drum buffalo Creek (Dave and Dennis Danforth), and the Band Cherry Bounce for participating in the celebration, I am grateful. May each of you be blessed with good health and happiness always.

Yaw^ko
Spc. Paul Badhorse Stevens

The Golden Pen

"Prayer of the Six Nations"

Oh Great Spirit!

Please forgive the forefathers of America for having stolen our land and killing unarmed and defenseless American Indians???

Oh Great Spirit!

Please forgive these brothers for not abiding within "the Bible's ten commandments and the golden rule???

Oh Great Spirit!

Please have mercy upon these lost brothers and forgive their self righteous deeds of three hundred years of forgetfulness???

Oh Great Spirit!

Please forgive these brothers for having invoking a curse throughout this land and these actions that have put America and the Six-Nations into utter disgrace and lingering shame???

Oh Great Spirit!

Please forgive these brothers for making tribal treaties and not living up to the once promised trust and honesty thereunder???

Oh Great Spirit!

Please forgive these brothers before time shall no longer allow such forgiveness and our land returns???

Oh Great Spirit!

Please hear our sincere and humble prayer, so that the golden rule shall at last brightly shine with an eternal flame???

Revelation 3:20

20. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock, if anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and dine with him, and he with me."

Wesley B. Summers

Legislative Update



Councilman
Ed Delgado

Greetings,

On January 18th, the Oneida Business Committee unanimously supported a motion to direct management to bring back a fair cost of living wage adjustment for Tribal employees. On March 15th, the following Cost of Living Project report was submitted to the Business Committee in open session.

In response to the report, I've requested backup documentation as I try to adequately understand the report's content and potential effect. To Tribal members and employees; your input regarding the report is more than welcome. You may contact my Office by calling 920-869-4415, or e-mailing me at edelgado@oneidanation.org.

Cost of Living Project

Research Included
- Began research in October 2005
- Infinium Database
- Employees living in each Wisconsin County
- Employees separated by Wade Grade and County
- Employees who received wage increases since 2002
- Race by county
- Local Consumer Price Index (specifically Brown & Outagamie Counties since 89% of the employee base live within Brown & Outagamie County
- National Consumer Price Index

What we Know
- 89% of employee base live within Brown and Outagamie County
- 8.6% of employee base live in adjoining counties; Oconto, Shawano, Kewaunee, Waupaca, Winnebago, Manitowoc and Calumet
- 2.4% of employee base live in other Wisconsin counties
- 47% of employee base are Oneida
- 41.8 % are Caucasian
- 7.5% are American Indian/Alaska Native
- 2.87% are other; includes African American, Asian Pacific and Latino
- Average Rent payment (in Oneida) is $400 compared to a National Average of $800.
- Mortgage payments are comparable to the National Average. (Data received from the Oneida Housing Authority, Land Management and Bay Bank)
- 80% of employees participate in Medical Insurance
- 83% of employees participate in Dental Insurance
- 81% of employees participate in Vision Insurance
- 93% of employees participate in Life Insurance
- 83% of employees participate in Long Term Disability
- 86% of employees participate in Short Term Disability
- 47% of employee base do not meet the minimum $29,502 income as projected by the local CPI information (too many unknown factors for this statement to be true)

Local CPI includes:
- Mortgage payment, Annual expenses, Food, Health, Transportation, Entertainment, Apparel, Auto Ins. Rate and Income & Sales tax
- Minimum income is $29, 205
- Information is based upon 2 parents, 2 children, 2 cars w/ no traffic violations.

Unknown Variables include:
- Size of family
- Mortgage vs. rent
- Auto info is only required within job descriptions having driving requirements
- Transportation costs would drop drastically to the % of Oneida employees who live within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Reservation
- Income & sales tax

amounts would decrease drastically because of % of employees who do not pay property taxes, State Income tax and qualify for tax credits because of the average Oneida Family having 3 children per household vs. National Average of 1.7 children per family.
- % of employees who participate in other financial benefits provided by the Oneida Tribe; 401K match, fitness center reduced price, reduced transit price, etc.

Recommendation: Enough data has been acquired to support that the Local CPI index cannot be applied to employees of the Oneida Tribe.

National Consumer Price Index
- The National CPI is 8.5% since 2002. Approximately 100 wages were placed into the index with the beginning year of 2002 and ending year of 2005. The average increase of the wages was 8.58%. (Grade 1 through Grade 18)
- 33% of the employees did not receive a minimum 8.58% wage increase since 2002. The majority of these employees are within the Grade 1 and Grade 2 wage scale.
- Grade 2 has a HIGH turnover rate. This Grade was difficult to determine wage increases.

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Councilman Delgado

Greetings Oneida Nation Members,

It is with great joy to be back in the office following the birth of my son, Everett James Danforth. I'd like to thank my family and the community for all their support during this very happy life event.

As I get acclimated back to the business of the Nation, there are several items pending from my office. In the Legislative Operating Committee, Councilman Ninham, Councilman Delgado and I are working on proposed amendments to the Oneida Nation Law Enforcement Ordinance. In late January and early February four "talking sessions" were held to dialogue about any concerns or recommendations to change the current Law Enforcement Ordinance . Many great comments, recommendations and feedback was received. Recently we have met to review the information and gave direction to the Legislative Reference Office to begin researching additional information and look at other Law Enforcement models so that we can ensure that our ordinance will preserve the integrity and allow for improved operational efficiencies within the Oneida Police Department. Our goal is to review the information and begin drafting new amendments that should be proposed by the end of May.



Councilwoman
Melinda Danforth

Also, on March 16th was an important day for our Oneida Nation High School and area youth as the Oneida Nation HS CIP project team held a series of community meetings to gather input and ideas towards re-shaping the future of Oneida Nation High School. I'd like to thank the Oneida Planning Department and School Administration for their diligent work throughout the day and to the Oneida Nation students and community members for taking the time to provide valuable input on this project. It was very evident how important it is for the youth to have a school that gives them identity, a place to call their own, and something to be rather proud of. As the planning for this project continues, I strongly encourage the community to share your voice in public forums and I will be more than willing to take any comments, written or verbal, into consideration before making any final decision at the governmental level.

Another project that is developing and needs the support of the community is the "Oneida Peacemaking-A Hands on Workshop " sponsored by the Oneida Appeals Commission. This workshop is scheduled for May 5 - 6th at the NHC Business Committee Conference Room and I strongly encourage the community members and the Oneida Nation workforce to participate. The Peacemaking System was a traditional process used by clans in resolving disputes and a way to foster continued harmony among the people . As a Nation, we should strongly support bringing this traditional concept back into our lives, community, and workforce. To learn more about Peacemaking, please attend the upcoming workshop. Please register with Oneida Appeals Commission by calling (920) 497-5800.

Also, the Oneida AmVets Post #54 is hosting a benefit concert to raise funds for a National Native American Veterans Memorial on Thursday May 18, 2006 at the Oneida Radisson Hotel. This event truly celebrates the efforts of our Veterans as they have served our nation with honor and pride. They will also be hosting the family of Lori Piestewa at the event and expecting Jessica

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Councilwoman Danforth

State/National Briefs

Lawsuit says Winner schools discriminate against Indian students

By Chet Brokaw
Associated Press Writer

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) – The Winner School District discriminates against American Indian students by disciplining them more harshly than white students, according to a class-action lawsuit filed Tuesday on behalf of the Indian students.

The federal lawsuit, filed in Pierre by the American Civil Liberties Union, also alleges that the district in south-central South Dakota violates the rights of Indian students by forcing them to sign confessions for breaking minor rules. Those confessions often lead to convictions in juvenile court, the ACLU said.

"The treatment received by Native American students in Winner and throughout the region is completely different than that of their white counterparts," said Jennifer Ring, executive director of the ACLU of the Dakotas. "These experiences demonstrate the reasons why Native American children so often fail to reach graduation - hostility of peers, discrimination of school officials and knee-jerk police involvement."

The school district borders the Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation. While nearly 20 percent of the district's students are Indian, the district has almost no Indian administrators or teachers, according to the lawsuit.

The lawsuit says the district's policies violate the students' constitutional rights to equal protection, due process and to avoid self-incrimination. The district also is violating the federal Civil Rights Act, the lawsuit says.

Winner Superintendent Mary Fisher was not available to comment Tuesday because she was out of the office, a school staff member said. She said last year that the ongoing allegations against the district were false.

"We discipline behavior, not race," Fisher said last year.

At the request of Indian parents, the U.S. Education Department's Office of Civil Rights first investigated the Winner School District's disciplinary practices in 1997. In a 2000 agreement with federal officials, the district was required to change its practices and take steps to get rid of racial harassment in school.

The department closed the earlier case after saying the district had complied with the agreement, the ACLU said last year. But the ACLU and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe filed another complaint with the Education Department last year, saying the school district had manipulated its records to give the federal officials a distorted picture of the disciplinary practices and race relations in its schools.

The lawsuit says statistics provided by the district show American Indian students in the Winner Middle School and High School are more than three times more likely to be suspended and 10 times more likely to be referred to law officers than white students are.

During any school year, more than one-third of all Indian students will be suspended, according to the lawsuit.

The school acts as a law enforcement agency, coercing students into confessing to criminal wrongdoing in an improper manner, the lawsuit says. To get written confessions, school officials isolate students in a room and refuse to let them leave or use a bathroom, and the children are not allowed to speak to their parents while making such confessions, according to the ACLU.

The confessions are given to law enforcement officers and used to arrest and convict the children, according to the lawsuit.

The discriminatory practices serve to push Indian students out of the Winner school system,' the lawsuit says.

"Although Native Americans represent nearly a fifth of the district's student body, only two Native American students graduated from the Winner High Schools in the last year for which statistics are available," the lawsuit says.

ACLU national staff attorney Catherine Kim said the problems in Winner are part of a nationwide trend of get-tough policies on school misconduct that lead to suspensions and the use of law enforcement to handle minor school discipline. Research consistently shows students of color are far more likely than white students to feel the brunt of that trend, referred to as the "school-to-prison pipeline," she said.

American Indians worry that Voting Rights Act will be rolled back

By Mary Clare Jalonick
Associated Press Writer



(AP photo/Nati Harnik)

Asetoyer speaks in Lake Andes, S.D., Thursday, Feb. 23, 2006. Many American Indians say they aren't satisfied with protections of their voting rights. Asetoyer was met with unfriendly words and an offensive gesture when she went to vote a few years ago.

LAKE ANDES, S.D. (AP) – American Indian Charon Asetoyer says that when she went to vote a few years ago, a white man gave her the finger and asked her in vulgar terms what she was doing there.

She says she told him she had a right to vote, and she went back to her car to wait for him to leave. Only when he sped away did she walk inside.

"It's outright racism," said Asetoyer, who lives on the Yankton Sioux Indian Reservation in impoverished Charles Mix County, where Indians are about one-third of the population.

While the federal Voting Rights Act has brought them a long way from the days when some states required that they be "civilized" to cast ballots, many Indians around the country say they still face intimidation, restrictive voting requirements and long distances to reach polling places.

During the 2004 election, Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle's campaign obtained a restraining order in Charles Mix County against GOP poll watchers, accusing them of intimidating Indian voters. The Republicans denied that, saying the move was purely political. Daschle lost to Republican John Thune.

With parts of the Voting Rights Act set to expire in 2007 unless Congress reauthorizes them, some Indians say that the current federal and state protections need to be preserved and strengthened, too.

They cite, for example, South Dakota's new voter identification law, which requires photo identification at the polls, a problem for many on the reservations who do not have IDs. The law permits those without identification to sign an affidavit, but opponents argue there is confusion about what is allowed. The American Civil Liberties Union has challenged other voter ID statutes seen as burdensome to Indians in Albuquerque, N.M., and Minnesota.

"The tribes are still very concerned about the targeted efforts to disenfranchise their vote," said Jacqueline Johnson, executive director of the National Congress of American Indians.

Some Indians want the Voting Rights Act changed to bring more counties around the country under closer federal scrutiny and to expand bilingual assistance at polling places. Other suggest a larger number of polling places, more Indian poll-watchers and more general oversight on Election Day.

"If those federal protections weren't there, Indians wouldn't have a chance at voting," said former Republican Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado, a member of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe. "The law probably ought to go farther."

Chris Nelson, who as South Dakota's Republican secretary of state is chief election officer, pointed to a big increase in Indian turnout in the past few years and said he has seen little evidence of voter intimidation. Nelson said some federal protections on South Dakota's reservations could safely be removed.

Under the Voting Rights Act, changes in election policy in most of the South and other places around the country with a history of discrimination need the approval of the U.S. Justice Department. That list includes South Dakota's Shannon and Todd Counties, with large numbers of Indians.

But Nelson said: "Has the pre-clearance requirement done anything to improve the ability of Indians to vote in those counties? The answer is no."

The debate comes as Indians show growing electoral clout.

During the 2002 Senate race in South Dakota, Democratic Sen. Tim Johnson won re-election by 524 votes with help from a huge increase in turnout on reservations. In Washington state, a surge of Indian votes helped lift Democratic Sen. Maria Cantwell to victory in 2000. In Arizona, reservations helped seat Democratic Gov. Janet Napolitano in 2002.

Johnson said that Congress will have to maintain some protections to keep Indian voting levels high.

"There's still a lack of trust and confidence between Native Americans and state institutions," he said, "and keeping some federal oversight is something that Native Americans want to have."

From Page 8/*Chairman Danforth*

The Oneida Business Committee is committed to working with our neighbors and to building strong relationships - the diversity of our community demands nothing less. I am confident it would be much better to pursue mutual agreements through open communication and good faith negotiation and that there are more productive ways to reach resolutions to our issues and concerns. Ultimately, the taxpayers, both Oneida and Hobart, must bear the burden of needless, lengthy, and costly litigation. However, if the Village's leaders believe there is a need to pursue this course, Oneida will prepare accordingly.

Oneida has worked hard to develop support programs and opportunities that benefit us all. In the past two decades, our contributions to Oneida and Hobart fire protection have been substantial. Our water towers provide the water and water pressure needed by local firefighters and our voluntary service agreements subsidize the tax base for trust status properties owned by Oneida. I believe there are opportunities to further develop O'Hare Blvd. to bolster economic development. Furthermore, Oneida looks forward to redesigning the formal railroad easement into a project beneficial to the community.

I am frustrated to see a regression in understanding between neighbors and the lack of open and good faith dialogue, as Oneida remains committed to cooperative government and progressive initiatives that benefit our citizens as well as our neighbors. I believe government leaders should take the opportunity to discuss, design, debate and strategize mutual interests. Oneida is committed to dialogue that will resolve issues in a positive and constructive manner.

I invite your thoughts, comments and suggestions on how to improve relations with our Village counterparts by contacting the Oneida Communications Department Director Bobbi Webster at P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 or via e-mail:

bwebst@oneidanation.org.

Sincerely,
Gerald L. Danforth,
Chairman
Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

From Page 8/*Councilman Delgado*

- Grade 1 included part time and elderly workers
- 67% of the employees did receive a minimum 8.58% wage increase since 2002.

Initial Recommendation

- To implement a Tribal pay incentive program
- Increase the wage scale equitable to the average increase within the past 3 years.
- Train supervisors to develop an evaluation process (with their employees) that focuses on increasing knowledge, skills and abilities relative to the employees job description
- Implement a "team: merit increase program based upon measurable goals of the program (Intense training of the Excellence in Action Program)
- Profit making fund units may provide commissions based upon financials (will not implement a merit program)
- Bonuses shall be utilized on "project based" criteria
- A final report will be submitted to the General Managers office on March 20, 2006.

From Page 8/*Councilwoman Danforth*

Lynch to also attend.

I would like to applaud the CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) organizers for their continued work. CAPPS is operating from a three-year grant from the Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse program to fund educational and youth programming while addressing the drug/alcohol problem on the reservation. The grant has provided numerous family suppers, which have been very well attended, that provide the community an opportunity to address and combat the alcohol/drug problem on the reservation in an open forum setting. CAPPS has also been involved in bringing motivational speakers, supporting youth sponsored events, such as a "lock-in" for the high school students, and a Youth Speak Out event which provided our youth an opportunity to address the government and management. Our UNITY group participated in a national conference last fall and came back with a lot of fresh ideas, area youth were involved in the Peacemaking Conference which taught the traditional process in bringing harmony where there is disharmony in one's life. A women's recognition dinner was recently held that honored over 100+ women in the community which were nominated by the youth and other community members as having the gift for caring and supporting our youth. So, I strongly encourage the Nation to continue attending these worthy events and assist in improving the overall quality of life not only for our children today but the generations to come.

Congratulations goes out to the Seymour Thunder for winning the Division 2 State Boys Basketball title in Madison. It was indeed exciting to be able to see Oneida youth celebrate the team victory with the fans, community and their families. Congratulations to our Oneida athletes; Mike King, Kahelote Cornelius, John Nicholas, Robert Castillo, Derek Denny, and Gabe Vega.

And finally, as we approach spring season, let's not forget to give thanks for all the abundant gifts the Creator has given us, as our Mother Earth re-awakens.

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Former church employee sentenced to 90 days

By Phil Wisneski
Special for the Kalihwisaks

Former Holy Apostles Church treasurer, Tina House, was sentenced to 90 days in Brown County jail and five years probation on Tuesday, April 11. She also must pay back the $32,754 she stole from the church.

Brown County Circuit Court Judge Richard Dietz was apprehensive to give House the probation, but acknowledged her lack of a serious criminal record and her need to pay back the money stolen as primary factors to the probation sentence.

"This is a significant crime," Dietz said. "Quite frankly another proper reason for probation is to pay restitution and that is not going to happen if you are behind bars," Dietz said to House.

The probation sentence was two years longer than the recommended sentence from the District Attorney's office. The maximum sentence for the felony crime was five years in prison and an additional five years of supervision.

House was charged in September 2004 with felony theft for taking the money. Bank records obtained for the church's accounts revealed she was cashing checks made in her name and in her mothers name.

A restitution hearing is set for June 16 to determine the final amount House will have to pay back to the church.

House will begin her jail time on June 27th.



Photo submitted by Phil Wisneski

Tina House appeared in Brown County Court this past Tuesday for sentencing on felony theft charges. She has been ordered to pay restitution of $32,754.

Two Oneidas win in local board elections

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Two members of the Oneida Nation have won their bids in local elections held April 4th.

Oneida Business Committee secretary Patty Hoeft defeated Kenneth Simons by just 45 votes to win the Brown County Board District 24 supervisor position. Hoeft may be the first Oneida to serve on the board.

"I'm very excited. It's a great opportunity," said Hoeft.

In another nail-biter, Al Manders won 970 votes to incumbent Patti Mason's 927 in the race for a seat on the West DePere School Board.

"I was pleasantly surprised. I knew it would be a close race." said Manders.

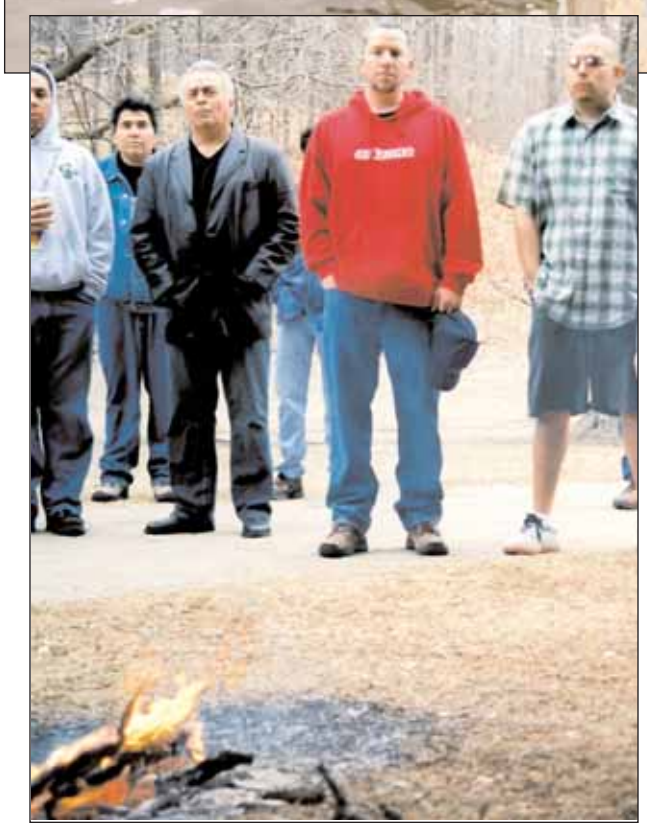
While Hoeft is enthusiastic about winning, she is equally encouraged by the high turn out of Oneida voters.

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Oneidas win

Decade of Oneida fishing rights





Photos courtesy of Phil Wisneski

Above: A few brave fishermen tested the cold waters of Duck Creek after the annual fishing ceremony on March 31. Even though the sign reads no fishing, the Oneidas continue to practice their right to fish the waters of Duck Creek. This year was the ten year anniversary of the Brown County ruling by Judge Patrick Crooks that the Oneidas retained the right to fish at Pamperin Park.
Left: Community members listened to the ceremony as tobacco burned in a nearby fire.

Tobacco burning kicks off season

Submitted by Phil Wisneski
Special for the Kalihwisaks

The annual fishing ceremony took place on a chilly, windy day at Pamperin Park on March 31. The ceremony is an annual celebration and thanksgiving for a successful fishing harvest.

This year was the ten year anniversary of Brown County Judge Patrick Crooks' decision that the Oneidas retained the right to fish in Duck Creek. The ruling came as a result of five Oneida men cited for fishing near the dam in Duck Creek in a traditional manner.

Leander Danforth offered the opening prayer and gave a few short stories about his memories about fishing in the creek when he was a youngster. Oneida Chairman Gerald Danforth also offered a few stories of his childhood about fishing with his family at Duck Creek.

The ceremony was concluded with an honor song by the Buffalo Creek drum group.

A few brave fisherman braved the cold and waded into the water a netted a few fish. No keepers were witnessed.

Heidel and Danforth hope to end letter writing

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The dueling pens will stop - for now.

On March 15th, the Green Bay Press-Gazette printed a guest column by Oneida Business Committee Chairman Gerald Danforth in which he responded to a story that the Village of Hobart had filed a lawsuit in regards to ownership and right-of-way of abandoned railroad tracks that Oneida lays claim to under an easement agreement from 1870.

Danforth questioned the costly use of litigation in that case and other lawsuits against the tribe.

President of the Village of Hobart Richard Heidel responded in a guest column of his own on March 21st accusing the Oneida of deliberately holding back a $100,000 services agreement payment and denying a utility easement over the abandoned railroad tracks to a home owner.

"It doesn't matter what race or what creed you are. People don't treat other people like this." Heidel wrote in his column.

Danforth wrote another letter which was printed in the Kalihwisaks Newspaper and mailed to all Hobart residents.

In the letter he explained the protracted process involved in trust land easements and that the $100,000 payment was delayed because Hobart had changed their intended use of the money from fire service to road repairs. He again called on the Village of Hobart to end its litigation which he called "needless, lengthy and costly" in his letter.

"I am frustrated to see a regression in understanding between neighbors and the lack of open and good faith dialogue," he wrote.

On March 30th the Village of Hobart called a special meeting to discuss mailing a letter from Heidel to Hobart residents responding to Danforth's letter.

Danforth appeared personally at the meeting to make himself available for questions.

While the meeting was closed for public comment, the rules were suspended to allow Danforth to dialogue with the Hobart board members.

"In terms of an honest exchange of ideas, it think it was a very worthwhile meeting," said Heidel.

While the board agreed in the end to mail out Heidel's letter, village trustee Phillip Lehl suggested that Hobart and Oneida write a joint letter to put an end to the back and forth essays.

According to Danforth, the village has begun drafting a letter.

"Whether or not Oneida will sign onto that, I think all depends on what the content of the letter is," said Danforth.

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Menominee Nation to Celebrate Return of Sturgeon

(Keshena, WI) The Menominee Nation will celebrate the return of the Sturgeon with a feast and celebration pow-wow on April 22, 2006 at the Menominee Indian High School located in Keshena, Wisconsin with grand entries at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. and feast at 5:00 p.m.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has agreed to provide the Menominee Nation with fifteen lake sturgeon for the annual sturgeon feast and cultural event. The sturgeon will be delivered to Keshena Falls, the traditional spawning grounds of the sturgeon, on Monday April 17th at 1:00 p.m. where ceremonial prayers, tobacco offerings, and an honor song will be performed in honor of the sturgeon and their return to the Menominee Reservation.

The revival of the sturgeon feast and celebration began in 1973 when tribal leaders initiated talks with the WDNR for sturgeon to be brought to the reservation for the celebration. Since then a sturgeon restoration program has been initiated where sturgeon have been placed in reservation lakes and the Wolf river to start a population on the Menominee Reservation. The tribe is also is working toward having fish ladders or other means for sturgeon to move over the dams and back to their traditional spawning area on the Menominee reservation.

The centuries old spring migration of the Lake Winnebago Sturgeon to Keshena Falls was halted when dams were built on the Wolf river near Shawano in the late 1800's. Prior to the dams, the sturgeon for centuries migrated from the Lake Winnebago water system to their traditional spawning grounds at Keshena Falls. The Menominee people would wait for the sturgeon to

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Local

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"If Oneida didn't turn out to vote, I would have lost. I think that just demonstrates to Oneida that when we do get out and vote, we matter. We can make a difference." said Hoeft.

Both Hoeft and Manders are ready to get familiar with their new roles.

"I'm looking forward to learning how county government works, learning what issues, what the challengers are that we're facing as a county, and just getting the chance to participate is exciting." she said.

A former high school guidance counselor for the West De Pere district, Manders is getting ready to work on a May referendum to buy land for a new middle school.

"I'm looking forward to serving the West DePere community and students." he said.

Hoeft hopes the success of herself and of Celestine Jeffrys, the first African-American to be elected to the Green Bay City Council, will encourage other people from diverse backgrounds to run for office.

"Voters can't select someone who's diverse if those diverse people don't run," said Hoeft.

Library offers online tool

The Outagamie Waupaca and the Nicolet Federated Library Systems recently announced the launch of InfoSoup (www.InfoSoup.org), a new online tool that provides access to the collections of 51 northeastern Wisconsin public libraries, including the Oneida Tribal libraries in Oneida and Green Earth.

InfoSoup has been designed to make searching for library materials online easier and more fun. Users can search for items and request materials they would like sent to their local library for pickup. They can also check the status of their requests, renew items, save their favorite searches, and track their reading history, all from the comfort of their own home or from the public library.

"InfoSoup makes it possible for users to see the review of a book, read the table of contents, and even see the cover art before they decide to borrow it. And there are even links to author biographies and newspaper articles," said Mark Merrifield, director of the Nicolet Federated Library System. "And formats aren't limited to traditional books, as the collection includes audio books users can download to their computer or mp3 player. InfoSoup is a really powerful and fun tool." InfoSoup also includes full-text magazine databases, genealogy tools, and health and business resources.

"As we launch InfoSoup, we also believe that 'changing your world @ your library' means not only providing the information and library resources people need, but also helping to support and strengthen the communities in which we live." stated Merrifield. "The new InfoSoup resource will provide easy access to a wealth of resources, and make it possible for library users to change their world. InfoSoup's tagline 'When you're hungry for answers!' sums up what the tool is meant to do, provide you with access to the information and resources you need." Visit InfoSoup at www.infosoup.org.

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The Green Bay Press Gazette published an article on April 10th saying that Oneida and the Village of Hobart were looking at the possibility of a third party mediator to sort out their differences. Danforth denied the report.

"I think the bottom line is that Oneida has a desire to establish cooperative discussions with Hobart and it has the willingness to engage in those discussions and try and find whatever mechanism of communication and dialogue that is need in order to establish cooperative relationships. So far to date, it doesn't seem that we've been able to do that." said Danforth.

However, Hobart Village Administrator Joe Helfenberger believes the government-to-government meetings are still working for both parties.

"The face-to-face interaction is extremely important and I see it going in a positive direction in the future." he said.

Danforth would like to see the truce in public letter writing to hold.

"I hope those things over because they're not serving any good purpose." he said.

Checks for fire service



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Oneida Business Committee vice-chairwoman Kathy Hughes (center) presents checks for $6818 each to Village of Hobart administrator Joe Helfenberger (left) and the Town of Oneida chairman Norman Austin (right) for fire service. According to Helfenberger, Hobart plans to buy new fire safety equipment with the money paid from Oneida's Self-Governance Compact funds.

Breakfast with the Bunny





Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The Easter Bunny arrived early at the Oneida Civic Center Saturday morning, April 1st for Breakfast with the Bunny. Children and their families enjoyed a pancake breakfast and other activities. Left: Four-year-old Leida Rodriguez poses with the Easter Bunny for her portrait. Below: Vernon Stevens, age 7 months, fishes out an Easter egg, with some assistance from his mother, to claim a prize.

Easter Brunch

SALADS
Spring Field Greens with Condiments and Dressings ~ Seafood Salad with Crab and Baby Shrimp
Ambrosia Salad ~ Smoked Salmon
International Cheeses ~ Sliced fresh Tropical Fruit

CHEF'S FEATURES
Chef-carved Prime Rib of Beef with Au Jus and Horseradish Cream
Fresh made-to-order Eggs ~ Home-made French Toast

HOT ENTRÉES
Stuffed Pork Loin with Calvadoes Sauce and Fresh Apples ~ Fresh Pollack Florentine with Lemon Sauce
Garden Vegetable Pasta Primavera ~ Breaded Chicken Parmesan with Marinara Sauce
Herb-roasted New Potatoes with Garlic and Rosemary ~ Honey Glazed Baby Carrots with fresh Dill
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Local

Passing On

Van Den Bloomer, Ed
May 30, 1943 – April 1, 2006



Ed Van Den Bloomer, age 62, passed away April 1, 2006 surrounded by his family from injuries sustained in a fall. He was born May 30, 1943 in Kaukauna, son of the late Albert and Josephine (Skinadore) Van Den Bloomer. Edward married Mary Buchberger on February 11, 1966 in Marinette. Ed enjoyed playing pool, bowling, fishing, painting, going for rides and going out to eat. He loved feeding and watching the birds and squirrel's. Ed enjoyed helping his son with his landscaping business. His pride and joy was his wife, family, children and grandchildren. He will be remembered by all who knew his as a very caring person in helping the elderly and neighbors.

He will be sadly missed by his wife of forty years, Mary Van Den Bloomer; children: Scott (Sheila), Tammy, Heidi (Don) and Luke (Jodi) Van Den Bloomer and Kathy (Don) Crocker; eighteen grandchildren: Nicholas, Joshtin, Trustyn, Camilyn, Shayann, Chrissy, Toree, Chase, Hayden, Shauna, Edward, Brandi, Kendra, Jessica, McKenzie, Austin, Mason and Rylee; sisters: Verna Diedrich and Carol (Bob) Chosa; brothers: Harvey (Kareen), Kirby (Margaret), Ray (Bonita) and Barney (Jackie) Van Den Bloomer; father-lin-law, Vincent Buchberger; sister-in-law, Ann (Mike) Knott and brother-in-law, Mark Buchberger.

He is further survived by a friend Sue Hammon, nieces, nephews, his dog "Junior", cat "Sassy" and many caring friends.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents, grandson Shannon, sisters: Luceil Vandenberg and Josey Fox; brothers: Herman, Elmer and Leo Van Den Bloomer, three sisters-in-law, four brothers-in-law and a very special friend Marion Lemke.

Baird-Thorton, Alma Lillian
December 2, 1910 – April 7, 2006



Alma Lillian Baird-Thornton, 95 years old passed away April 7, 2006 peacefully at a local nursing home. Born in Oneida December 2, 1910 to the late Sherman & Lillian (Powless) Baird.

Moved with her family to Pipestone, MN in 1922. She attended Flandreau Indian School in South Dakota. Afterwards she attended St Cloud Teachers College where she graduated with her teaching degree. Her teaching career spanned over 40 years. She taught in Upper Minnesota and the Greater Milwaukee area. In 1974 she retired from Parkway Grade School in West Allis, WI after teaching there for over 25 years.

During her great career she lovingly raised her two daughters giving wholeheartedly to both her family and her career. In 1980 she returned to the place she called home, Oneida, where she spent the remainder of her life.

Alma is survived by daughter Virginia (Leon) Mahkimetas, Oneida, WI; son-in-law Robert Juhay, Milwaukee, WI; eight grandchildren Christopher Kerr, Ashland, WI, Amy (William) Tromp, Racine, WI, Nina Hellendrung, Bookelia, FL, Merel Kerr, Ft Atkinson, WI, Sarah Wunderlich, Oneida, WI, Benjamin Juhay, Milwaukee, WI, Rita (Curtis) Ninham, Oneida, WI, Theresa (Salomon) Rodriguez, Green Bay, WI; 14 great grandchildren; niece Roxanne Baird and family, California; nephew "Buddy" Baird, Hawaii. Adopted family Sue Daniels (Randy Watermolen), Kal^na (Forrest) Brooks, their 4 daughters, Eva Christjohn, Brenda (Richard) Baird, Lynunt Metoxen, and Denise Donnelly.

Alma was preceded in death by her parents, brother & sister-in-law, Bertrum "Emil" (Charlotte) Baird, daughter Rita Thornton-Juhay; and great niece Shannon Jackson.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at 10:30 AM at Holy Apostle Church with Fr. Dewey Silas and Deacon Edmond Powless presiding. Please visit ww.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Thornton family.

It's hard to read a few paragraphs and realize a persons worth and what their life meant. My mother lived a long quality life and she made a positive difference in the lives of so many people. Her gentle good nature made learning and life easier and fun. Her physical being will no longer be with us, but her spirit will live on in all who knew her.

Baird, Jr. Louis Raymond
April 11, 1935 – December 17, 2005



Word has been received of the passing of Louis Raymond Baird, Jr. on December 17, 2005. Ray, as he was known, was born April 11, 1935 to the late Louis, Sr. And Irene (Red Owl) Baird of Rosebud, South Dakota. Grandparents were the late Moses and Mary Red Owl of Rosebud and the late Cornelius and Ida (Skenandore) Baird of Oneida. A Marine veteran who served in Korea, Ray pursued professional work in electrical engineering and manufacturing in California before returning to South Dakota and managing several programs of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe. He also taught Lakota studies classes at Todd County Public School before establishing his independent consulting firm. Well know for his beadwork, he traveled throughout the northern Great Plains of the US and Canada on the American Indian powwow circuit as a traditional dancer.

Survivors include his children: Phil Baird, Mandan, ND; Rachael Allen, Eugene, OR; Elizabeth Garibaldi, Red Bluff, CA; Elaine Ponders, Las Vegas, NV; Dustin Baird, San Francisco, CA; Santee Baird, San Diego, CA; Mary Baird and Brian Baird, Porcupine, SD; Sonja Baird, Chicago, IL; Hail Baird, Rapid City, SD; one sister, Beverly Harmer and her daughter Kathy, Arlington, VA; grandchildren and relatives of the Rosebud Sioux, Santee Sioux and the Oneida Nation.

Following Catholic and traditional Lakota services at the Sinte Gleska University building in Mission and honoring one of his life pursuits of raising horses, a riderless horse led the funeral procession to Ray's burial place on the family's ranch land south of Mission, SD.

Thank You...



We would like to express our gratitude to the people who helped the Emerson Reed family through a very sad time. We would like to thank all the people who donated food for at the house and at the funeral. A very special thank you goes out to Brian Doxtator and his helpers, who put both meals together for the wake and the funeral. The family would also like to express their appreciation to the Oneida Singers, St. Vincent Hospital and their staff, Davita Dialysis Center, Unity Hospice and especially a big thank you to Ryan Funeral Home for making this hard time go very smoothly. Again, the Family of Emerson Reed would like to Thank everyone in the community who was there in this sad time.

The Family of Emerson Reed, Sr.

In Loving Memory of

Pat Madrid

who passed away four years ago on March 16th



You may be gone from here
but so many of the good times
I still remember.

Being apart from you isn't easy
I find myself missing you so
much more in so many ways.
Loving thoughts of you fill my
days. And dreams of you fill
my nights

No matter what I'm doing, I know it
would be so much better if I could
be sharing it with you.
I can imagine the things you'd say if you were
with me, or the way you would laugh when something we said or did that was funny
(and we did that a lot).

I still feel so close to you and I'm hoping
that days will go by because I want to
be able to talk and walk and laugh with
you again.
I really, really miss you more as time goes by.

I will always remember...
Love Kate

Caretakers Corner

The Division of Land Management is seeking to contact the following Oneida Tribal Members. If you know of their whereabouts please have them contact the Division of Land Management at **920-869-1690** extension **1811** for Scott; Tina at **1820**: or Karen at **1807.**

We are updating the Home Building Opportunity list and have not been able to track these people down. They need to call us by April 21th or lose their place on the list.

Archiquette, Mary A.
Cornelius, Charles
Denny, Michael E
Blue Bird, Pamela
Boyd, Douglas E
Brunette, Antone O
Christjohn, Dale J
Cooper, George
Cornelius, Orville
Danforth, Christopher J
Doxtator, Olga
Emerson, Dan
Franklin, Lois
Houtsinger, Casey M
Long, Michael
Manwell, Patti
Martinez, Susan
Medina, Gullermina G
Ninham, Abraham P
Ninham, Timothy O
Ninham-Powless, Patricia
Nwachukwie, Marsha V.
Phillips, Lawrence
Porsley, Debra
Powless, George J
Powless, Kenneth
Powless, Ronald M
Powless, Sonia
Schultz, Tanja J
Schuyler, James M
Skenandore, Dory
Smith, James J
Smith, Rose
Smith-Much, Tina D
Stevens, David
Sundquist, Robert
Torres, Susan
Torrez, Anna M
Vallecillo, Carmen R
VanEnkenvoort, Tracy
Wautier, Lynn
Williams, John

Please note the following informational meeting below…

Presentation on Wills and/or Power of Attorney…

Oneida Elderly Services and Division of Land Management are sponsoring a presentation on Wills and/or Power of Attorney (POA) with three Wisconsin Judicare Attorneys on Monday, April 17–19, 2006. It will be held at Oneida Elderly Services at:

2907 S. Overland Rd. from 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

This is open to all ages.

If interested in having your own Will or Power of Attorney (POA) prepared, please contact Oneida Elderly Services at **920-869-2448.**

Do you know us?



Submitted by Barb Skenandore

This photo comes from the Dorothy Gilbert Collection – from her mother (Rose Skenandore-Kerstetter's) side of the family. Her grandfather on her mother's side is John Peter Skenandore and her grandmother is Lillian (Archiquette) Skenandore. John's parents are Peter and Electra (Baird) Skenandore and Lillian's parents are Elijah and Phoebe Archiquette. If you have any information about their identity, please contact the Oneida Library at 920-869-2210 or write to: Oneida Library, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI, 54155. See page 5B for an update on the March 2nd insert of *Do you know us?*

Volunteer Appreciation
OPEN HOUSE
April 25th, 1:30 - 3:00
Parish Hall
*** Come and listen to words of Thanks and Appreciation to all Area Volunteers!**
*** Join us and find out what Volunteer opportunities exist in the Area and need your help!**

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Local

From Page 1/*Return of Sturgeon*

return after the long winter months to replenish their food supplies. Ceremonies and dancing would follow the first catch of sturgeon and the significance of the sturgeon would be celebrated. The sturgeon was also used in preparation of traditional medicine and other uses for the tribe.

The traditional celebration pow-wow will feature singing, drumming, giveway, honor ceremony, sturgeon ceremonial offering and Menominee ceremonial dances. A respected Menominee elder will give the traditional invocation and bless the sturgeon in the Menominee language. A welcoming address will be provided by a member of the Menominee Tribal Legislature and various tribal members will speak of the traditional significance of the sturgeon to the Menominee people.

The host drum for this year's sturgeon feast and celebration pow-wow is the Smokeytown drum from the Menominee Reservation. Smokeytown is a nationally known drum who have performed in all of the major pow-wows in the United States and Canada and lead by Myron Pyawasit. The head male dancer for the pow-wow is Apesanahkwat who is the former Menominee Tribal Chairman and a well known actor who has acted in many hollywood films and the head female dancer is Rebecca Hawpetoss who is a champion fancy shawl dancer and has many first places awards in this category in the national pow-wow circuit. The Veteran's of the Menominee Nation will provide the color guard for the event.

The feast will consist of smoked sturgeon, corn soup, wild rice, maple sugar and other traditional Menominee food. Before the feast, the Menominee ceremonial dancers will perform the centuries old Menominee fish dance in honor of the sturgeon's return to the Menominee reservation.

This will be the thirteenth year the Menominee Nation will celebrate the return of the sturgeon to the Menominee reservation The Menominee Tribal Historic Preservation office is coordinating this annual cultural event. Everyone is welcome to attend this centuries old celebration.

This year, prior to the Annual Sturgeon Feast, Celebration and Pow-Wow there will be a Sacred Water Ceremony and Walk. A group of Native Women have been holding Sacred Water Walks around the Great Lakes during the summer months each year, praying and singing in honor of the water, they will be here to lead the cultural event. The Water Ceremony will begin at 10:30 a.m. at Keshena Falls, Keshena. The walk will commence at 11:00 a.m. The starting point for the Sacred Water Walk will be at Keshena Falls to Chickney Creek Road then south on Highway 47/55 to the Menominee Indian High School. Everyone is welcomed to participate, wether you are walking or riding in the caravan your support is essential. Menominee Tribal Police will be escorting the Sacred Water Walk. For more information on the Sacred Water Ceremony and Walk, the contact person is Mary "Meke-Ko-Kee" Webster. She can be reached at Maehnowesekiyah 715-799-3835 extension 121 or at her residence 715-799-3943.

UW-Green Bay workshop to highlight music, other help for grieving

GREEN BAY - Remembering the deceased and maintaining positive connections with those we have lost will be the focus of "How We Grieve: Maintaining the Connection," a workshop Thursday, April 27 at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.

Keynoter Paul Alexander, a nationally known singer, songwriter and social worker, will explore how to maintain connections with the deceased as part of the grieving process and stress the therapeutic value of honoring and remembering the deceased in creative ways.

Alexander also will highlight the curative and supportive benefits of music and will demonstrate music as it relates to grieving.

The appearance of Alexander, who has shared his music and message of hope throughout the United States and Canada, is of particular interest to those working in the hospice field.

Other presenters at the workshop include Illene Noppe, UW-Green Bay professor of human development, and Edi Cornelius-Grosskopf, family development specialist and certified hospice volunteer.

Noppe will present an overview of current research on our continuing bonds with those we have lost. Cornelius-Grosskopf will discuss therapeutic journaling, a powerful tool for self-growth for those who have experienced the fear, loss and grief of a death or serious illness.

Sponsors of the daylong workshop are the UW-Green Bay Institute on Dying, Death and Bereavement and the Northeast Wisconsin Alliance for Social Worker Continuing Education. Alexander's pre-

See Page 6A
Music

Sunshine from Elderly Services

The staff at Elderly Services would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter. It looks like April will be full of sun and fun at Oneida Elderly Services.

The elders will be participating in PACE exercise every Monday morning starting at 10:00 a.m. at Elderly Services. This is an excellent chance for anyone over 55 years of age to work with an Oneida Family Fitness Center trainer at no personal cost. Any adult who is experiencing any type of arthritis should participate to restore and preserve flexibility and strength.

Also, on Mondays the elders will be playing Bingo at Site II starting at 1:00 p.m. Bingo will also be held Wednesday afternoons at Highway H at 1:30 p.m.

Every Tuesday the elders go to Epworth Hall at the Oneida Methodist Church for crafts from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 18th there will be Bingo instead of crafts for all who are interested in attending.

The opportunity to learn the Oneida language in a fun and patient atmosphere is still available at Elderly Services, Wednesday April 26th at 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, April 27th the Anna John Nursing Home will visit the elders during their morning activity at Elderly Services; followed by the April Birthday Lunch at the Senior Mealsite. The fun doesn't stop there. At 1:00 p.m. there is a movie and popcorn at Elderly Services.

As always, the elders will be shopping on Fridays in April with two exceptions. Friday the 14th only breakfast will be served in observation of Good Friday. The following week the elders will be shopping on Thursday the 20th also due to the Employee Appreciation Lunch on Friday. To participate in Friday shopping trips you can meet at the Senior Mealsite for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. and then ride along with the elders or call ahead and have the Elderly Services staff pick you up for the day.

Spring is finally here and the staff at Elderly Services is happy to share their sunshine with you. If there are any questions about activities or services for the elderly you may call **869-2448** for more information.

Announcement

ONEIDA SMALL BUSINESS, INC

A revolving loan fund is ready for Oneida Tribal members who would like to be their own boss or develop their business. Whatever your thoughts are on this subject the board of Oneida Small Business, Inc. is posting this notice to alert our community that they will need a Business Plan to utilize the program. The Oneida Career Development Program, located on Packerland Drive is set and ready to help those who need assistance to write a business plan.

The opening date for this program will be May 1st.

Further information will be in the next issue of the Kalihwisaks.

Calendar

EVENTS

April 15th

United Amerindian Center 16th Annual Pow Wow
WHEN: Saturday, April 15th (11:30am to 7:30 p.m.)
TIME: Grand Entries 1:00pm & 6:00pm
PLACE: KI Convention Center, 333 Main St., Green Bay
On the trail again, it's pow wow time! Admission is $5 for adults, $3 for children ages 6-15 and free for children under five and elders 55 and up. Contact 920-436-6630 for more information.

April 20

All Native American Bowling Tournament
WHEN: Saturday, April 20, 2006
TIME: 4:30pm registration, 6:00 pm start
PLACE: Ashwaubenon Bowling Alley, Waube Lane
20th annual Bill Danforth Memorial Bowling Tournament open to Native Americans and non-natives who have bowled in previous tournaments. Men and women divisions with a 100% payout based on the number of entries. Entry fee is $30 per person, no checks. Bowlers must be 18 years old or older and bring proof of bowling average. Contact 920-497-3225 for more information.

Ongoing

Oneida Hymn Singing Practice
WHEN: Every Sunday
WHERE: Parish Hall
TIME: 4:00pm -5:00pm
Anyone interested in singing is welcome. Hymn Books are available for purchase. Contact Carol Cornelius at **920-833-9922** or Lois Powless at **920-833-7745** for more information.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at **(920) 869-4280 or 4277** to include events in this section.
All announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.



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ACCOUNTING INSTRUCTORS
Green Bay & Marinette (50% time).
Minimum Bachelor's Degree + 2/yrs direct experience required. CPA desirable. Primarily evening hours.

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Minimum Associate Degree in health area + 3-5/yrs work experience required. RN preferred. Proficient in current practices.

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Local

SEOTS *News*

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Saturday: 9AM–12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

SEOTS Mission… *Our mission is to provide for the well-being of* On=yote÷a=ka *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

SEOTS Staff
Mark Denning……..……*Director*
Anne Kreutzinger……*Administrative Asst.*
Carmen Flores……*Administrative Asst.*
Deb Ushakow……*Community Education Specialist*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS ***News*** once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us.

The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

SEOTS Budget Meeting...

SEOTS will hold a budget meeting on Saturday to get your ideas of things that you would like to see happen in the Southeastern area. Snacks and Beverages will be provided. This is a repeat program that was held this past January. This is your chance to learn about the SEOTS budget and make suggestions for the next fiscal year.

Saturday, April 29th at 5:00PM
Place: Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services, 2778 South 35th Street

Oneida Peacemaking Workshop

Peacemaking is an ancient Oneida process that was used by the "clans" to resolve disputes and issues and is not adversarial as in the modern day Court System. Please come and learn our tradition. Space is limited so registration will need to made with Seots by Monday, April 24th **384-7740** or on your own to Oneida, **920-496-5300** by April 28th. For information Oneida Appeals Commission. Van seating is limited to 10 people. Transportation can be provided to the conference if you ride up on the van. You will be responsible for your own lodging and meals after the conference.

Date: May 5 & 6
Time: 6:30PM Van leaves from SEOTS – Returns to SEOTS Saturday 5pm
Place: Oneida, Norbert Hill Center

Registration is required

Community Meeting

Our guest speaker will be Councilman Vince DelaRosa. We will be updated on any new and interesting information regarding our Nation. Please come, share and discuss issues that include all Oneida Nation Citizens.

Date: May 20th
Time: 1:00PM
Place: SEOTS, 2778 South 35th St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Trip to Johnson Creek Outlet Mall

Join us for a fun trip to Johnson Creek Outlet Mall. Van will leave at 8:00am and return by 4:00pm. Bring money for lunch and for spending.

Date: Friday, May 19th
Time: 8 – 4PM

Craft Class

Craft for May is Moccasins
Date: Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
Time: 6 – 8pm
Place: SEOTS office, 2778 South 35th Street

It's Your Choice Program for Teens

It's Your Choice is a program directed to Middle and High School teens. Home work help is provided, along with guest speakers, field trips, extra-curricular activities, attendance incentives, evening meals and bus tickets are provided. Parents are welcome to attend. The program is facilitated by Oneida tribal member and MPS teacher Amy Tromp. This is a Healthy Lifestyle Education Program sponsored by the WE Indians of Milwaukee Public School Systems. It meets weekly on Tuesdays. For information Contact Dona Yahola, We Indians Program at **304-6121**.

Date: Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30th
Time: 4 – 6:30PM
Place: SEOTS, 2778 South 35th Street

Cultural Heritage

Peach Stone Game and Seed Dance Ceremony. Our guest speaker in person will be Randy Cornelius! Please bring a dish to pass. Class will start at 6:00pm with a meal. Be sure to attend this class and learn about a traditional Iroquois game still played. If you have any questions about Oneida Culture and tradition this class may be of interest to you. Please call for information.

Date: Thursdays, May 11 & 25
Time: 6:30PM – 8PM
Place: Seots, 2778 So. 35th St.

Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office

Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and information available to Veterans without an appointment once a month at SEOTS. Rodney is a counselor with the Vets Center. His specialty is working with war veterans and their families, although he will try to help any veteran with any questions they may have. The Vet's Center does with work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations in order to provide the best care for veterans. All Veteran's Are Welcome!

Date: Tuesday, May 2
Time: 10:00AM – 1:00PM
Place: SEOTS

FYI – Sweat Lodge

Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call **383-7072** and ask for Dona.

Attention all Community Members…

One of our young community members is in need of a kidney transplant. Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. Its possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at **(414) 385-2550.** Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who knows you may be a match?

Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Computer lab now available for use

Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Open lab every day and Saturday 9 - 12pm.

Veterans

Support Our Veterans! Veterans have served our county since the Revolutionary War. They are also requesting that we support our Veterans where ever they are serving. The contact person for the Color Guard is Leon House **(414) 543-1622**. ***We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans. Keep up the good work!***

MAIRN Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network Meeting

If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information about our community, such as: contacts, what's happening in Indian country regarding health, community education, and other important issues that affect our community. Guest speakers will present topics of interest and will share their resources that are available for the community. This is a must for area Indian agencies and businesses.

Date: May 31
Time : 12:00 – 2:00PM
Place: Next Meeting will be held at "The Gathering Place" at the Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street , alternate place will be Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street.

Notices will be sent to members (Others interested please call **384-7740)**

Potluck---Potluck—Potluck Tsyunhehkwa

If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If there is anything you would like that we don't carry we would be happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida.

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings

The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.

Date: Tuesday, 9th and 23rd
Time: 6:00PM

Please call and inquire before attending **384-7740**

Oneidas in Milwaukee



Do you recognize this family?
The Skenandore Family
Lorraine, Dona, Joyce, Annette, Chubby & Marlene

GUARDIAN PIPELINE OPEN HOUSE

Project Introduction

Guardian Pipeline, LLC is proposing to extend the existing Guardian Pipeline along a 106-mile route from Ixonia, Wisconsin to the Green Bay area. Approximately 12 miles of the proposed new pipeline route, mostly parallel to existing utility right of way, is on the Oneida Nation reservation.

The project calls for 79 miles of 30-inch pipe and 27 miles of 20-inch pipe. In general, the project requires a 50-foot-wide permanent right-of-way and a temporary construction work area of between 30 and 60 feet. All of the pipeline on the Oneida reservation will be 20-inch pipe.

Pending Tribal, federal, state and local approvals, construction would begin in the summer of 2008, with the pipeline operational at the end of 2008.

Community open house

Guardian Pipeline officials will host an open house at the Oneida Radisson Hotel and Convention Center. The open house takes place:

Monday, April 24, 2006
Radisson's Grand Council Ball Room
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
2040 Airport Drive
Green Bay, WI

If you would like to learn about the project, we welcome you to attend. The purpose of the open house is to share project information and gather public input on the proposed route and related topics.

Interested parties are welcome to attend the Open House sessions. Light refreshments will be served.

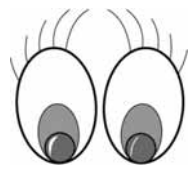
For more information, please call (888-564-5111 toll free) or visit www.guardianpipeline.com

Sunday's in April…

The Oneida Hymn Singers
***will be having singing practice every Sunday from 6:30 PM to 8:00PM at the* SEOTS Office.**
Anyone interested in singing is welcome
Hymn Books for Sale.

Any Questions Call:
John House at 414-443-0301 *or* SEOTS at 414-384-7740

What is this?



Information around the city

211 Impact – Simply call 211 for help with life - food - shelter - health - crisis intervention, etc.

Pow Wow AA Group – All Welcome-Thursday's–8:00PM 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th. Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center–**383-9526.**

Domestic Violence – Milwaukee Women's Center 272-5132, Ext. 153. Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case Manager/Advocate and available to assist any woman or family members.

Urban Circle of Voices – Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper, **643-5510**, Vicky Rank.

Interfaith Program for the Elderly – Meals on Monday and Friday, 11:30AM–631 N. 19th St. First Friday of the month at 5PM.

Weekly Events

Movies and Library

The SEOTS office has a collection of movies and library books for check-out. A large selection of Native American books fiction and non-fiction. Books and movies can be checked-out free of charge. Also, please return any past due books or movies so we can update our library.

Oneida Language Class

Taught weekly (Saturdays)

Oneida Language class is taught weekly by teachers from Milwaukee and guest teachers from Oneida! Families and children are welcome! Language teacher Mark Powless would like to see you come with your children. Part of the class is planned for fun and easy learning for our children. They are our lifeblood for the Oneida language. Please try to attend!

Oneida language classes are taught at SEOTS on a weekly basis with Oneida instructors. You can also access the language program during the week on computers available at SEOTS.

Dates: Saturdays, May 6, 12, 20 & 27th
Time: 10AM–12PM at SEOTS

Oneida Singers

Oneida singers meet every Sunday at 6:30PM at the SEOTS office. They are available for events and services. Please contact John House 443-0301or SEOTS 384-7740

Date: Sunday, May 7, 14, 21, 28
Time: 6:30PM at SEOTS

SEOTS van trip and script pick-up

Script pick-up: Wednesday, April 5, 12, 19 & 26th

Last day to call in meds for the following Wednesday pick-up is no later than 4:00pm each FRIDAY! You must order meds the week **BEFORE** each pick up. You can not order the same week you are requesting a pick up unless **you** are going to pick up your meds or arrange to have someone else pick them up for you. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions about this. Always make 2 calls – SEOTS & PHARMACY *(If you don't get your name on the SEOTS List, your meds will not be included in the pick up.)*

Next **SEOTS** Publication…
May 11th 2006

State/National

Corporate recruiters criticize UW-M's lack of diversity

MILWAUKEE (AP) The lack of diversity in the University of Wisconsin-Madison student body makes the school an increasingly disappointing campus at which to seek talent, a growing number of corporate recruiters are saying.

Companies frequently target students with diverse backgrounds. But UW-Madison is one of the least diverse schools in the Big Ten.

In 2005, only 10 percent of UW-Madison students identified themselves as black, Hispanic, American Indian or Asian. At the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, that figure was 32 percent.

UW-Madison has a larger enrollment of Asians in its College of Engineering, but less than five percent of the other students there are minorities.

In recent years, Alcoa, General Motors Corp. and a division of Proctor & Gamble Co. said the lack of diversity in the school's College of Engineering is the reason they stopped recruiting there. Proctor & Gamble has since resumed but other corporations are threatening to look elsewhere unless the university increases its minority enrollment.

One reason the university has few minorities is because the state has few minorities.

State law mandates that 75 percent of UW-Madison undergraduates must be state residents. But Blacks and Hispanics make up just 10 percent of the population.

The city of Milwaukee has a high minority population but its public school system, with its high dropout rates and low student performance, doesn't feed large numbers of graduates to Wisconsin's flagship university.

It doesn't help that the school has a reputation for being inhospitable to minorities, said Doug Henderson, a professor in the College of Engineering.

UW-Madison Chancellor John Wiley said the companies' concerns led to campus initiatives to attract minorities.

Henderson was named the associate dean of diversity in the College of Engineering in 2001. In that capacity, he hired administrators to recruit and retain undergraduate minorities.

Those efforts appear to have paid off, as have programs designed to prepare high school minorities throughout the state, he said. Minority enrollment has begun creeping up in the College of Engineering and the university as a whole.

Last spring a division of Proctor & Gamble returned to recruit at the College of Engineering. An Alcoa official said that firm may follow suit, although other companies appear to be taking a wait-and-see approach.

Government argues for removal of District Judge Royce Lamberth from Indian case

By Jennifer Talhelm
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth has raised many an eyebrow with his adjective-laden opinions in favor of the thousands of American Indians suing the government for mismanaging billions of their dollars.

On Tuesday, an appeals court panel was asked to decide whether his rulings show he is too biased to continue with the 10-year-old lawsuit.

"It is exceptionally rare for us to make this request we are making today, and we make it urgently," Assistant Attorney General Peter Keisler said, arguing that Lamberth should be removed from the case to "restore the appearance of fairness."

Lamberth, a Texas native and Reagan appointee, is well known for speaking his mind and setting high standards for the government when it appears in his courtroom.

Observers of the Indian trust case _ called Cobell v. Norton _ have said that after hearing years of arguments about the more than $100 billion in oil, gas, timber and other royalties Indians claim the government mishandled since 1887, Lamberth's frustration with the Interior Department is showing through.

But lawyers for the government argue he has gone far beyond that. On Tuesday, they said he has unacceptably charged the Interior Department with racism and that his opinions show he can no longer be objective.

The government petitioned to remove Lamberth after a July decision, in which he ordered the department to tell Indians that its information on trust assets may not be credible.

The 34-page opinion is a scathing condemnation of the department. An excerpt:

"Alas, our 'modern' Interior Department has time and again demonstrated that it is a dinosaur _ the morally and culturally oblivious hand-me-down of a disgracefully racist and imperialist government that should have been buried a century ago, the last pathetic outpost of the indifference and Anglocentrism we thought we had left behind."

Keisler of the Justice Department told a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, "Even in cases involving convicted criminals, judges don't use language this way."

Lawyers for the Indians argued that Lamberth was not accusing the present-day Interior Department of racism. They said there is plenty of evidence that the government has repeatedly blocked Indians' efforts to get an accurate accounting of what they are owed.

If the appeals court removes Lamberth, "It will send a very clear message to the government that all their malfeasance ... is exonerated," said Keith Harper, lawyer for the Indian plaintiffs. "We think that would fundamentally undermine the appearance of justice and justice itself."

Lamberth has held Interior secretaries Bruce Babbitt and Gale Norton in contempt and more than once ordered the department to disconnect its computers from the Internet to protect Indians' records. Several of his rulings have been overturned on appeal, including Norton's contempt charge.

Norton, who stepped down from the department last month, watched from the back of the courtroom with other Interior officials Tuesday. She said she remains interested in the case but declined to comment further.

The appeals panel isn't expected to make a decision.

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sentation is made possible through support from Lyndahl Funeral Home.

The workshop runs from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in UW-Green Bay's University Union.

The registration fee is $50 on or before April 20 and $60 after that date. The fee for UW-Green Bay and UW-Oshkosh students is $25 with a student ID required at program check-in. Continuing education credits are available.

For more information about "How We Grieve: Maintaining the Connection," contact Barbara McClure-Lukens by phone at (920) 465-2222 or by e-mail at mcclureb@uwgb.edu. Complete program information and online registration are available at http://www.uwgb.edu/outreach/ddb/html/curprograms.asp.

Voters reject referendum

SHEBOYGAN, Wis. (AP) - Voters rejected a referendum asking whether they supported allowing American Indian casinos or riverboat gambling facilities in the city limits.

About 54 percent of voters rejected the non-binding referendum Tuesday, according to unofficial returns.

Even if they had approved it, the Common Council would have needed to approve any casinos in Sheboygan.

The referendum's author, Alderwoman Renee Suscha, said the city had in the past asked tribes whether they had any interest in building a casino in the area.

Suscha said the city needed to know voters' opinion on the issue in case any tribes respond.

Eleven tribes run 23 gaming locations in Wisconsin, according to the state's Department of Administration.

Waswagoning Village Vandals Offered Alternatives

LAC DU FLAMBEAU—The owners of Waswagoning Ojibwe Village met at the Tribal Multi-purpose building on Saturday with the five young men who vandalized, burglarized, and burned the property in July 2005. In the emotionally-charged meeting, Nick and Charlotte Hockings presented the men with alternatives to being charged with felonious criminal charges.

Suspects Jeffrey Hunter,17, of Woodruff, Kasey Lisner,18, of Lac du Flambeau, Joseph Dallapiazzo,18, of Minocqua, Ryan Meyers,17, and Timothy Richardson,18, both from Woodruff were present with relatives to hear statements from the Hockings' and respond to inquiries concerning why they chose to commit the crimes. Also present were two representatives from Restorative Justice for Adults.

According to the criminal report the suspects attended a drinking party at the Lisner's residence and discussed how much they disliked Native Americans. They drove to the Waswagoning Village, located on Highway H in Lac du Flambeau where they proceeded to vandalize and burn several structures including a gift shop, wigwams, and a smokehouse.

An extensive investigation from the Lac du Flambeau police force, with the help of tips from community members, led to their arrests in February. All five have been charged with arson, criminal damage to a property in excess of $2500, and burglary.

However, the Hockings are offering alternatives to them, which would exonerate them from a criminal record.

The alternatives that the Hockings suggested are:

1. A 30-day alcohol and drug program, followed by attending weekly AA or NA meetings until the end of their probation.
2. Each prepares a 10 to 15 minute oral presentation explaining his role in the crimes and the consequences of abusing alcohol and drugs. They will also present their uneducated and biased view of Native Americans and how they plan to correct their obvious lack of respect. These oral presentations will be presented to area high schools and elementary schools.
3. Four books have been selected for reading, and each will write an in-depth report made on each selection.
4. They will answer five questions that were gleaned from the book And Don't Call Me A Racist, selected and arranged by Ella Mazel.
5. 250 hours of community service in Lac du Flambeau
6. Restitution to the business of Waswagoning Village

"These young men do not have a serious prior criminal record, so Charlotte and I believe that there is the possibility that what we are recommending to the court system can have a positive effect." said co-owner and LDF Tribal member Nick Hockings. "We've heard people consider this a hate crime too. When we met with the Assistant DA, Mr. Breedlove, and told him of our intentions we were introduced to the concept of Restorative Justice for adults and found out our alternatives to the normal legal channels for these offenses had a name. My inclination is not to press charges. But we cannot condone what they had done. We believed that whoever had done this was more than likely an uneducated racist, under the influence, drunk, or on drugs."

The Waswagoning Village is a recreated traditional Ojibwe village that is visited by hundreds of school children and tourists each year. It has received numerous awards, and is utilized as a location site for the filming of documentaries, catalogs, and educational movies. The damage done by the vandals destroyed years of work done by Hockings, his wife Charlotte, their family, friends, and volunteers.

Hockings plans to have the business fully operational in time for the summer season.

"We hope that these five young men will fully appreciate what they are receiving and will fulfill these alternatives in good faith. It is our assumption that if they are not met, then the legal system will be enforced. If they are fulfilled in good faith, all charges will be exonerated. Further, we would like to say the philosophy of Waswagoning, since we were involved in the Spring Spearing/Treaty Rights Movement in the 1980's, has been trying to bridge an educational gap between reality and fantasy in regards to the Ojibwe; and in a broader context the relationship between Indians and non-Indians in general."



Legislative Review/Letters

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

It has been a while since I have talked about the New York Land Claims so I thought an update would be appropriate. Governor Pataki had some health issues and was out of the office for a time. He is now back to work and apparently ready to move on settling the land claims issues in New York. The fiscal problems of that State are not going away and development in the Catskills is viewed as a key factor to improving their deficit situation. For that reason, we are very hopeful for resolution to our claim. As of this point in time, the plan presented to General Tribal Council and approved by that body has not changed. We are still looking for 1000 acres in the original homeland, exercising our Treaty rights for hunting and fishing, transfer of land into trust and a damages settlement of a casino in the Catskills. So lets hope this is the final push and the next message will be about a bill being introduced in Congress for the final stamp of approval.

I made three trips to Washington DC in the month of March. March 10th was to provide testimony before the Dept. of Health and Human Services on re-authorization of the Older Americans Act. This was on behalf of the Oneida Tribe and the National Commission on Aging.

On March 13th I attended the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes Impact Week in DC. Much of this time was spent making visits to Committee Members in the House of Representatives, again talking to them about the Older Americans Act. It is very unfortunate that with the Federal Budget Proposal submitted by the Bush Administration, Indian Country is taking the hit with cuts in funding. While we recognize the need to support the victims of the Katrina disaster and our soldiers in Iraq, we are, proportionally, taking a bigger cut than many other areas of the Government.

The House Appropriations Committee provided an opportunity for me to testify March 29th on the Administrations Budget Proposal where I spoke to several issues such as: the elimination of the JOM (Johnson O'Malley) program, an educational assistance program for our high school students; elimination of the Urban Indian Health Center resulting in those individuals having to go back to the reservations to get help or go without and the Tribe will receive no additional funding; and the Bureau of Indian Affairs taking funding from existing Indian Programs to cover the attorney fees for their trust fund fiasco. These are all ongoing issues that you may be hearing about for the next several months. Even though this is an election year, Congress seems to be having trouble with trying to finalize it's fiscal plan in a timely manner, so don't be surprised if you hear us still talking about these issues into this fall.

Other tasks dealt with while in Washington DC included attending the Senate mark-up of a bill to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and a meeting at the White House with the Inter-Governmental Affairs Liaison. Follow up on this last meeting is going to be important as we push for re-authorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. Congress has failed for the last five years to take up this bill. Getting support from this Administration in any small way can be the nudge needed to get it done.

On the home front, local elections are over and it's a big congratulations to Patty Hoeft for winning her bid to become a Brown County Supervisor. My personal view on this move is that it will be extremely positive for the Oneida Tribe and take us to a whole new level in government to government relations. I am also sure there will be some concerns on the negative side but I feel we should be able to work through them for the benefit of all.

Once again, we will also be dealing with a change in Hobart government. Of course many of you are already aware of the growing dissension between their government and ours. Letters are being exchanged and articles placed in the newspaper without discussion amongst the parties. We all agree this is not the way to promote cooperation but now that elections are over, a new track can begin. We share the same community and many of the same constituency, therefore its in all of our best interests to work together.

Letter, Opinions...



Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Trish King

First, I would like to commend our Tribal members for getting involved in the local communities in which they live. I would like to extend my congratulations to Patty Hoeft for her recent election to the Brown County Board of Supervisors. This may mean double duty for Patty, but she has the full support of her family, colleagues, peers, friends and community members who have pledged to support her.

Congratulations is also in order for Al Manders who won a seat on the West DePere School District Board of Directors. West DePere is one of five school districts that service a large number of our tribal youth.

Patty Hoeft and Al Manders being elected shows us that change is occurring in and among our communities, and that Oneida has a strong presence within the voting populace. This is extremely important toward working on positive relationships with our neighbors, and helping us strengthen the opportunity to create good government to government agreements.

In a series of interviewing small focus groups regarding views of the Oneida Tribe, we heard a sampling of what the general public's perception is about Oneida. Approximately 100 people were interviewed in groups from Green Bay, Milwaukee, Appleton and Wausau. Topics of general discussion included tribal sovereignty, dual citizenship, treaties, the image of the Tribes, Tribal Reservations, and how the public feels our Nation impacts Northeast Wisconsin. This is the second of these series, with the first having been held about seven years ago. By comparing the survey results, we can see what and how much change is occurring in Northeastern Wisconsin. This information is then studied by several departments of the Tribe to help improve communications, relations, and partnerships. The surveys are good marketing tools for our gaming and enterprises, as well as tourism and other governmental relations. Having Tribal people serve on other municipal boards will help to educate and alleviate misunderstandings of the Tribe as well.

We can see change in other areas also. For example, the State of Wisconsin legislature is currently considering law AB 639 which authorizes Tribal Leaders with the same recognition as State representatives when lobbying. In the past, the State required Tribal Leaders to register as lobbyists. The passage of this law means that Tribes are finally being recognized as governments, and not special interest groups which is a message that Tribal leaders have been trying to get across for many, many years. The bill was sponsored by Terry Musser who is the Chairman of the State Tribal Relations Committee where it received support. From there the bill received approval by the Assembly, and is now on the agenda of the Senate which will reconvene on April 25.

The Oneida Tribe has taken large strides in improving its image over the past ten years, but there is still more education that has to take place. Through focus groups, marketing, and public relations, we are better prepared to send a focused and clear message to the general public on the facts regarding Oneida. The election of our Tribal members to the boards of local municipalities is another huge stride in having our messages represented on the governmental level. State, local and county governments are learning the impact that Oneida has to this region, and how we must all learn to work and live together with a mutual respect.

An Easter Wish

May the Spirit of Easter cast its Golden Shadow of special favor upon your life within every unique way!

May your most precious desire spring into living existence and become instantly alive!

May the coming months grant you beautiful miracles filled with the great touch of endless joy!

May the creative spark of love light your life's Golden Candle, which shall brightly burn forever!

May you victoriously walk upon the Golden Streets of Awesome Wonder as each new day arrives!

May your gentle spirit capture your every golden dream that completely fills your heart in every precious way!

May this Easter become your most wonderful day, where grace really

Blesses you far beyond every most cherished wish!

The Golden Pen
Wesley B. Summers

Grateful member

My children and I would like to thank Police Officers Matt Ninham and Lester Harms and Sgt. Mark Ninham of the Oneida Police Department. I would also like to thank Lisa Vega, Laurel Meyer-Spooner and Butch Summers of the Oneida Housing Authority. I would also like to extend a special thanks to Belinda Brennan of the Oneida Domestic Violence Program. And last by not least, thank you to all my family, friends and co-workers who all stood by my side through this difficult time. I will not forget any of you. Thank you!

Adrienne

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Sports

First Nations Golf Association seeks caddies for Oneida event

Submitted by Conrad King
Oneida Recreation Dept.

The First Nations Golf Association has developed a Native American professional golf tour. As of 2005, the FNGA hosted their first event in Carlton MN. Results, Pictures and general information can be seen on their web site "FIRST NATIONS GOLF ASSOCIATION." In 2006, the FNGA has already grown to five events with the potential of seven across the US. A schedule of 2005 can be seen on the web site as well. Expansion plans for 2007 ranges from 7-12 events

The Oneida Nation will be hosting the "Oneida Warriors Championship" on July 20-23, 2006 at Crystal Springs Golf Course in Seymour. We are currently recruiting caddies between the ages of 13 - 18. Previous to this event we will train and teach caddies what they need to know. The Caddy Program will give our youth an opportunity to meet and caddy for some of the greatest Native American golfers across the US and Canada. Each caddy will be compensated daily for their valued expertise.

We will be taking between 20 - 30 youth who qualify to participate in this historic event. Our program will begin in May 2006. Specific dates TBA. The cost of this program will be a one time fee of $25.00. Each participant will be given the opportunity to make up the 25.00 through training and hiring. All serious interested youth, please call Conrad King @ 920-606-8066 to sign up ASAP.

Oneida honors Seymour boys team



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

Top: Members of the Oneida Business Committee honored the Seymour boys basketball team on Wednesday, April 12th. Players include: John Linsmeyer, Karl Sachs, Derick Denny, John Nicholas, Michael Schmitt, Robert Castillo, Ross Eisenreich, Todd Skinkis, Gabe Vega, Kahelote Cornelius, Brandon Kuchta, Adam Zahn, Mike Skinkis, Tom Reed, Marc Leisgang, Matt Hackl, Ben Braun, Danny Genke, Mike King
Also honored was Head Coach John Murphy and assistant coaches Todd VanDeHei, Tom Wilson, Troy Cornell; Superintendent Dr. William Loasching, Principal Sue Shuler and Athletic Director Mike Zahn
Six Oneidas helped the Thunder win the title. The championship was Seymour's third title and joins the 2001 and 1997 teams as champions.
Right: Mike King presents head coach John Murphy with a Pendleton blanket.



Seymour coaches also acknowledged

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation honored the Seymour High School Boys Basketball team on winning the 2006 WIAA Division 2 State Championship. Presentation of Certificates of Recognition were made at Oneida Business Committee(OBC) conference room on Wednesday, April 12th.

OBC councilman Paul Ninham said the nation wanted to recognize the "long hours of sweat, tears, commitment, dedication and integrity that has been portrayed not only by the players, but by the fans, parents, relative and, most importantly, the coaching staff."

Six members of the Seymour Thunder are Oneida; Kahelote Cornelius, Derick Denny, Robert Castello, John Nicholas, Gabe Vega and Mike King who was named to the Associated Press All-State honorable mention team. Seymour school district superintendent Dr. Bill Loasching believed others could learn from the example set by team.

"We try and celebrate diversity, they know how to do it, folks. They know how to make it work. They know how to work together and strive towards goal and to accomplish goals." he said.

In addition to adding a third state championship ball to the trophy case, the Thunder made history this year by becoming the only team to go to seven consecutive state finals in the WIAA tournament.

Early in the week, the team was honored with an Indian Taco feast held by parents of team members and community members at the Oneida Senior Center on Sunday, April 9th. The coaches were presented with Pendleton blankets.

"We are very thankful for what we have accomplished over the past decade. I don't know why it's happened to us, but we feel very blessed. I don know I've had the good fortune to work with so many great kids and families." said head coach John Murphy at the feast.

Oneidas heading to Indigenous Games

Submitted by John Powless III

The North American Indigenous Games ("NAIG") is a large multi-sport and culture celebration, offering competition in 16 sports for youth between the ages of 13-19 and adults ages 20 and over that also features an opening & closing ceremonies and cultural village. The 2006 North American Indigenous Games will be held in Denver, Colorado, July 2-9, 2006.

The first Games were held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada in 1990. There have been a total of five games, four in Canada and one in Blaine, Minnesota (1995), with the most recent games held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada (2002), where almost 10,000 athletes, coaches and staff representing 27 teams from 15 States, and 12 Provinces and Territories participated.

The mission of the Games is to improve the quality of life for Indigenous Peoples by supporting self-determined sports and cultural activities which encourage equal access to participate in the social/cultural fabric of the community which they reside and which respects Indigenous distinctiveness.

Team Wisconsin will consist of representation from the Oneida Nation, Menominee, Ho-Chunk, Bad River, Red Cliff, Lac Du Flambeau, Mole Lake, Forest County Potawatomi, St. Croix, Stockbridge Munsee and LCO. Ninety-five Oneida athletes, coaches and chaperones will assist in the makeup of Team Wisconsin.

Team Wisconsin will compete in: Archery, Athletics (Track & Field), Baseball, Basketball, Boxing, Golf, Softball, Swimming, Tae Kwon Do, Volleyball, and Wrestling.

Team Oneida Fund Raising Efforts

Oneida athletes, coaches and chaperones have been busy raising funds, we have raised $ 7,805.08, not including a donation from CAPPS, $5,625.00.

With the help from the Retail Department, we have secured on-going donation jars in all One Stops and Smoke shops. Any and all loose change will be much appreciated, so far, we have raised $322.71 from the donation jars. Here is a list of upcoming Team Oneida Fund-raising events:

- Oneida Bingo Pass Raffle & Bake Sale, Saturday, April 8, 2006, Irene Moore Activity Center (Bingo Hall)
- Concessions at the Ed King Basketball Tournament, May 5-7, 2006, Civic Center
- Oneida Bingo Pass Raffle & Bake Sale, Saturday, May 13, 2006, Irene Moore Bingo Hall
- Commando V. Rangers Basketball Game, Wednesday, May 17, 2006, Civic Center
- Team Oneida Golf Tournament, May , Location TBD
- Spaghetti Dinner, Tuesday, May 30, Location - TBD

Semi-pro football team to hold open try outs

The Green Bay Semi Pro Football Team will be holding try outs for the upcoming 2006 Wisconsin State Football League (WSFL) season. All positions are needed. These are open try outs, anyone over the age of 18 can attend. Players should bring cleats. There will be a $10.00 try out fee. Contact (920) 471-2416 for more information.

Date: April 22nd, 2006
Time: 11:00am to 1:00pm
Place: Woodland Worship Center, 760 Airport Rd, Green Bay, WI, 2 miles west o the Airport off Hwy 172
Events: 40 yard dash
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Vertical jump
Push ups
Sit ups
Skill Position Events: QB Throwing Outs & Ins
RB: Holes
WR: Route Running
DB: Pass Coverage

12th Annual Tae Kwon Do Tournament

Submitted by Adam Brown
Martial Arts Instructor

Saturday, April 8th marked Oneida Tae Kwon Do's 12th annual tournament. Contenders from all over Wisconsin and upper Michigan converged on the Turtle school for a day of friendly and vigorous martial arts competition. The athletes demonstrated their skills in forms, board breaking, and sparring divisions. This year there were over 150 competitors vying for championships in their respective rank divisions. The annual Oneida Tae Kwon Do tournament has grown to be one of the most popular events in Wisconsin.

New this year was the Mighty Ninjas segment where 4 and 5 year olds got to show off their Tae Kwon Do skills, as they broke boards and exhibited their best techniques, just like the Black Belts. "All of these kids are champions," says martial arts instructor Adam Brown, "they are the future of the martial arts."



Photo courtesy of Adam Brown

Carter King and Cooper Vine compete at the annual Oneida TKD tournament.

Tournaments are a great place to meet other Tae Kwon Do students and make friends. Courtesy and integrity are stressed just as importantly as the actual competition.

Congratulations go out to all the Oneida Tae Kwon Do team members who excelled at this year's tournament.

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Purchase Team Wisconsin Gear, starting April 17th through April 28th, 2006. Payment will be accepted at the Civic Center (Cash or Check). Please make checks payable to Oneida Recreation.

For more information, please check out the web site at: www.naig2006.com or call: 1 (920) 869-1088.

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Flipping for a good cause



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First time pancake chef Larry Smith was "Flipping flapjacks for babies" at the Parish Hall Saturday morning, April 8th. It was all you can catch at the March of Dimes fundraiser. The event raised $200 to help prevent birth defects and premature births.

Titletown Train Show and National Railroad Museum

Ashwaubenon (Green Bay, Wis.) – Get ready for trains! Trains and everything train-related will be the main attractions April 29 – 30, 2006 at the Green Bay Railroad Weekend. Formed through a partnership between the Titletown Train Show (www.ttsgbllc.com) and the National Railroad Museum (www.nationalrrmuseum.org), Green Bay Railroad Weekend is an opportunity to experience railroading first-hand, both in miniature and in full-scale. Whether you're a train scholar, or someone with only a slight interest in the subject, this is sure to be a memorable weekend.

The first half of the weekend includes a trip to the fifth annual Titletown Train Show. Held in Shopko Hall (1901 S. Oneida St., Green Bay, Wis.), the show is Northeast Wisconsin's largest model train exposition. Featuring model trains in a wide variety of gauges Titletown Train Show offers something for everyone from the novice rail enthusiast to the expert modeler, and is a perfect family destination. Whether you're looking to pick-up a rare piece for your own model train set, explore dozens of model layouts, participate in a variety of hands-on-activities (for both children and adults), ride the small children's train, or you just want to learn more about a very fascinating and unique hobby, this show has it all.

- Titletown Train Show hours are: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday, April 29 and 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday, April 30
- Show admission is: $5.00 adults; Children age 12 and under are free with adult admission

Green Bay Railroad Weekend will also feature a trip to the National Railroad Museum. Located about one mile southeast of Lambeau Field in Ashwaubenon, Wisconsin, the National Railroad Museum (2285 S. Broadway, Green Bay, Wis.) is one of the country's oldest and largest railroad preservation institutions. Featuring over 70 pieces of rolling stock, including the famous #4017 Union Pacific Big Boy, Dwight D. Eisenhower Command Coaches, and the experimental, futuristic Aerotrain, there is much to do and see. In addition to the regular activities and exhibits, the Museum will be offering train rides throughout the weekend.

- National Railroad Museum hours are: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday, April 29 and 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Sunday, April 30
- Museum admission is: $8.00 adults; $6.00 seniors (age 62 and older); $5.00 children (age 4 – 12) and Free for children age three and younger.

In taking in all that the National Railroad Museum and the Titletown Train Show have to offer, you may want to plan a full day at each location. Your planning for may also include spending the night in the Green Bay area. To locate the perfect hotel for your group, please visit www.packercountry.com and click on "Places to Stay." Here you will find complete listing of area hotels. For lodging close to Shopko Hall or the Museum, select Ashwaubenon under the "Lodging Search."

The Titletown Train Show was formed to give railroad enthusiasts in Northeast Wisconsin a premier train show in their own region. Over the past five years, an average of 5,000 patrons annually have visited the Titletown Train Show. Model railroading and being a rail enthusiast are hobbies that anyone can participate in. It is the Titletown Train Show's goal to provide exhibits of interest to people in all levels of this great hobby.

Founded in 1956, the National Railroad Museum celebrates 50 years of preserving America's railroad heritage in 2006. Visiting the National Railroad Museum offers you an opportunity to explore America's railroad heritage. Sit in the cab of the Union Pacific Big Boy, the world's largest steam locomotive. View Gen. Eisenhower's World War II command train. Examine the future of railroading in the sleek 1955 General Motors Aerotrain.

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Thunderhawk Times

Declaring high school majors and minors

By Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

Florida's governor, Jeb Bush, is proposing a new plan that would require high school students to declare a major and a minor to graduate.

His plan would resemble something like what a college freshman would see when entering college – choose your major and minor areas of study and based on that choice, your required classes would be scheduled from there.

The Republican-sponsored bill, which has already passed the Florida house 85-35, is set to go to the state senate where it faces an uncertain future.

With 3 percent of the state's 800,000 students dropping out last year, Bush believes his plan will help cut that number by making school more interesting and help prepare students for what college may hold. Skeptics believe that this just deprives high school students of a broad liberal arts education and puts even more pressure on young people.

Although some states require different study tracks to be offered in school, including vocational training, career prep classes and opportunities to earn college credits, none have gone to the extent of implementing a program like this.

I believe a plan like this should be offered as an optional program. It should not be forced on students as freshmen. Although declared majors and minors can be changed, they just complicate things for the students and staff. Options are the best idea, the more options the better. If a student wants a focused high school education, that will help him or her in the field of their choice. They should have that option.

Other programs including internship and college credits are good ideas too. But unlike Florida's plan, these are optional leaving the chance for a broad education without changing majors and minors every year.

Track and Field Preview

By Darrell Skenandore
ONHS Junior and Thunderhawk Times second-semester editor

The ONHS track team started practice on March 27, 2006.

We practice every weekday until 4:30pm. The track season consists of eight track meets and one regional and one sectional meet. Then, it's on to state if anyone can make it that far.

The first track meet is set for April 11th in Bowler and the last meet is on May 18th in Weyauwega. Regionals are on May 22nd but it's not decided where, yet.

The track team consist of 24 students. Coach Dale Mueller says about ten of them are "dual athletes" – meaning that they go out for track and another sport like baseball, softball, or golf. Coaching along with Mueller is ONHS math teacher Thom Burke.

Mueller lists the following athletes and events as his plans for the upcoming season:

Bronson Schommer – 100 meters, shot put, discus, 200 meters, relay.
LaDonna Parker – mile, 2 miles, relay.
John Chistjohn – long jump, high jump, relay.
Darrell Skenandore – long jump, triple jump, discus, 4 X 200 relay.
Truman Powless – long jump, triple jump.
Sean Metoxen – long jump, triple jump, shot put, 4 X 200 relay.
Raeanne Funmaker – mile, 2 miles, relay(s).
Tanya Christjohn – shot put, discus.
Lauren Mills – shot, discus.
Shakira Stevens – 100 meters, shot put, discus.
Travis Dessart-Cornelius – 200 meters, 300 meters, hurdles.
Roland Christjohn – mile, 800 meters, 400 meters.
Eddie Metoxen – 100 meters, 200 meters, relay(s).
Michael Stevens – mile, 2 miles, relay(s).
Yasiman Metoxen – shot put, discus.
Lakwaho McLester – discus, relay(s).
Yuntle McLester – 100 meters, 200 meters, relay(s).
Crystal Metoxen – shot put, relay
Debbie Santiago – long jump, high jump, 100 hurdles, 300 hurdles.

Nutt earns Golden Apple



THT Photo

ONHS science teacher Becky Nutt continues to do great things in her classroom. For that she was recognized at the Golden Apple Awards Dinner on Wednesday, April 5 as a Teacher of Distinction. Not bad considering she earned that title from thousands of nominees. As one ONHS student said on her way to class, "Becky is cool. She makes science fun. I used to hate science and now it's my favorite subject." Thank you Becky.

What To Do? What To Do?

By Scott Lynk
ONHS senior

Advice for the Pack by One Source "Not Close To Anybody"

Packer receiver Javon Walker wants out and coach Mike McCarthy won't give him up unless a team is willing to give away a blockbuster trade. Okay. The Green Bay Packers have the 5th pick in the draft and a former Pro Bowl Wide Receiver who wants out.

The team that meets the requirements for the Packer wide out is the Denver Broncos. The Broncos have two first rounds picks, the 15th and 22nd.

So, here's the deal of the century, or so says my source who identifies himself as someone "not close to anybody": The Broncos give up both their first round picks in a trade for Javon Walker and the Packers' 5th overall pick.

Which team would get the better end of this trade? Well, my source is certain that it's neither one – that both teams would find this deal to be a win-win. Javon Walker doesn't want to play here anymore anyway and with their 5th pick in the second round and the two picks from Denver, the Packers would get three picks in the top 40. The Broncos would get a very nice 1st round pick and a WR who Head Coach Mike Shanahan has an interest in.

(My source is waiting to hear from the people at 1265 Lombardi Avenue to discuss this further.)

Baseball not as popular

By Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

In the 1920's baseball became the most popular sport in America. People had a lot of spare time and good paying wages, so they got interested in things such as baseball. There were sports promoters who built huge stadiums. In this time there was also hero Babe Ruth of the New York Yankees. Many consider him the best baseball player ever!

Today I don't think that baseball is the most popular sport. I think that is has faded away and not as many people are interested or involved in the sport. Baseball isn't as popular because there are a lot more sports for it to compete with – sports such as basketball, hockey and track. Now that people have a variety to chose from they pick a sport that fits them best, that they will have fun with.

Now-a-days, I think that football is the most popular sport. I think this is because a lot of people get really into the games. One reason for that is that there are far fewer games in a football season than there are in a baseball season. Most people will throw parties every Sunday just to watch a football game. So many people can't wait for Sundays just to watch football. Football is all over television, ads, magazines and it's also a big sport in high school.

Baseball season is here, but the sport has definitely lost some of its old popularity.

Blizzard v. Albany

By Douglas Reed
ONHS Freshman

On March 31, the County H rec center took 80 kids and 15 staff to a Green Bay Blizzard AF2 football game. We had good seats, at least I thought so. You could see the whole field.

The Blizzard kickoff was at 7:30. The Blizzards won the coin toss. They scored the first touchdown of the game. The halftime score was 20 to 28. After halftime, the game didn't seem as good as it was in the first half. Albany's quarterback got sacked twice. The final score was 40 to 48, Albany. The way I see it, the Blizzard's problem is that they play too much like the Packers. They get a lead and then sit on it.

A few notes on things other than the game itself: The Blizzard mascot looks like a shaved dog. The Blizzard cheerleaders are pretty good. They are called the Freeze. Some of the kids only went to see the cheerleaders. It seemed like they came out after every three plays.

The guy sitting in front of us was a jerk (and a few other things I can't say right now.)

We left the game five minutes early so we could beat the rest of the cars out of the parking lot. I was happy to be home so I could sleep.

"What Girls Can Do"

By Denis Gullickson
Thunderhawk Times advisor

The Oneida Nation High School Science Club is holding a one-day event in conjunction with the Wisconsin Girls Collaborative Network called "What Girls Can Do."

The event will feature projects being done by ONHS girls and will include a luncheon with professional women working in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) careers.

The science club is recruiting professional women and anticipates a ratio of one professional woman to every five girls.

The event is scheduled for June 1 from 10:30-1:30 at the Oneida Social Services Building. It will involve ONHS and ONMS girls from eighth grade as well as girls from surrounding public school districts.

Contact ONHS science teacher Becky Nutt at **869-4053** if you are a professional woman interested in inspiring girls about your field or if you are a girl interested in participating in this event.

The bad thing about tobacco is . . .

By Jonathan House
ONHS senior

The bad thing about tobacco is that no matter what you do there's always a way it will possibly give you cancer. There are other things about tobacco, though. Like when you smoke it, it leaves behind tar and residue that carry the bad stuff that causes cancer and other diseases.

By making it harder to breath, smoking makes it harder to play sports and you can't be that good athlete you always wanted to be. That's the price you pay for smoking.

Despite all that, many people think it's alright to smoke but they don't realize how addicting smoking really is.

Speaking as a tobacco user myself, I wish I had never started because it seems like since I started I lost a lot of breathing time. It so much harder to breath while I play sports it's not even funny. I'm so sorry I even started. If I could start over again, I would go back and start smoking after my senior year when I was all done with sports. Or I wouldn't start at all.

Tobacco can also be bad because it makes your fingers smell like it. Your clothes stink your breath stinks and basically you stink all around.

To conclude this report, smoking is not good for you at all.

Free tests for arsenic

By Becky Nutt
ONHS Science Teacher

Oneida Nation High School Science students have teamed up with the Seymour High School Science Club for a study of area wells. Specifically, the group is researching arsenic contamination of local wells and the possible health risks associated with that contamination.

A vein of sandstone with embedded arsenic runs through Outagamie county. An arsenic advisory zone extends five miles to each side of the vein. Much of the Oneida Reservation is in the Arsenic Advisory Zone.

If you have a private well in the Arsenic Advisory Zone, you can get your water tested for this contaminant for FREE. All you need to do is contact the ONHS or Seymour Science Club.

ONHS Science Club
Becky Nutt **869-4053**
Seymour Science Club
Dennis Rohr **833-2306**

My Scoop

Thank You, Angelina Jolie

By Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

Angelina Jolie is not just another pretty face. She is an actress, an inspiration, a great role model and an activist on behalf of others.

Imagine making millions and millions of dollars from movies and such. What would you do with all that money?

Most celebrities will spend their money ridiculously on something stupid such as buying five cars or a lot jewelry that they don't need. Angelina is different. She is one of a kind. She's a sweet, caring and a very thoughtful person.

With her money, she supports many charities around the world to help others in need. She is a United Nations goodwill ambassador. Angelina travels around the world attending conferences and visiting UN High Commission For Refugees projects around the world.

She says she is only driven to continue making movies because she desperately needs cash to undertake her charity missions.

In 2002 Angelina adopted a-year-and-a-half-old son, Maddox who is from Cambodia. More recently, she adopted a daughter in July, Zahara, a one-year-old from Ethiopia. She is also pregnant with her first biological child.

One observer said, "This is a women who values her relationships with her children more than anything."

Angelina Jolie has made such a huge difference in the world and on the lives of so many people. This beautiful, caring person has touch the lives of many around the world and is doing something I could only dream of. She is very inspiring to me and to others. She is such a great role model with a huge heart. I think the best job imaginable would be to do what she does.

Education

Get ready for fall degree seeking with Higher Ed

Oneida tribal members who plan to attend technical/vocational school or college during the Fall 2006 term should be completing the Oneida Higher Education process right now.

To be eligible for funding, students must apply and be accepted at an accredited college, university or vocational college within the United States, and must submit a copy of the letter of acceptance to Higher Education.

Students who plan to take more than 5 credits per semester must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which determines eligibility for federal and state grants. The FAFSA can be completed on paper or over the Internet.

There are also three forms specific to the Oneida Higher Education program which must be completed. These are the grant application, the participant acknowledgment and agreement form, and the academic plan.

Higher Education staff are available to help with the completion of these forms, including doing the FAFSA online. When students have a complete Oneida Higher Education file the award is calculated. Students can receive up to $20,000 per year, based on school expenses. Lengths of eligibility for funding are 6 terms to earn an Associate Degree, 10 terms to earn a Bachelor's Degree, 6 terms to earn a Master's Degree and 10 terms to earn a Doctoral Degree.

For more information call Higher Education at **920-869-4033**, **800-236-2214 X 4033**, or go to our website at **www.oneidanation.org.**

Civic Learning Center

Submitted by Mandy Schneider

The month of March was a great month at the Civic Center Learning Center. There was a lot of participation in the reading corner, leading to Jasmine John earning the $10 gift certificate to the Marcus Cinema at Bay Park Square. The youth at the Civic Center earned the last of the 500 snowballs they needed to earn their trip to the movies for all of their great behavior. The member that received the overall most snowballs was Diego Metoxen, he earned 56 snowballs out of the 500. The youth are now working on fulfilling their next goal of 300 flower petals to earn one last reward for great behavior before the school year is over. The youth are already up to 151 flower petals.

As always, there is something new happening at the civic center. There will be two new character development challenges starting next week, and there will be a new challenge for current events. Once again teens, the learning center is always open for any advice on school, college, work, or anything you need any guidance on.

AISES science prize recipients

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Two middle school students from the Oneida Nation School System won first place prizes and another came in second at the 18th annual American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) National Science Fair in Albuquerque, New Mexico March 22-26.

Maurense Beans of the seventh grade won in the botany category with his project "Second Time Around Underground" where he studied the effects of worm casings as fertilizer.

He also received the Discovery Channel Young Scientist Challenge Award which makes him eligible to apply for the science fair held by the educational channel held in October in Washington, DC.

Sixth grader Haley Hill placed first in the medicine and health category with her project "Baby Wipes" where she compared the quality of different brands of disposable baby wipes.

"It was an amazing experience to win." said Hill.

Jose Salas of the eighth grade came in second in the physics division with "Balloon Blast Off" where he measured how far balloons traveled with different types of string attached.

"I didn't think I was going to win at all. I was kind of surprised." said Salas.

Science fair coordinator Yvette Peguero attributes the students success to their knowledge of the projects they undertook.

"Those kids who are pretty confident and know what they're talking about and can speak up, I think those are the kids that make good impressions on the judges." she said.



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

From left to right: Haley Hill, 6th grade, Jose Salas, 8th grade and Maurense Beans, 7th grade traveled to Albuquerque, NM with three other Oneida students. Hill and Beans won first place prizes and Salas won second prize.

Beans' experience reflects that idea.

"I knew every single one of the questions and knew everything about my project," said Beans who was happy about winning.

Of the 16 times the Oneida Nation School System has participated in the AISES, there have been students who have placed for awards.

"I was kind of thankful (for winning) because Yvette and all the teachers helped me out on my project," said Salas.

The science projects are done over several months and involve many academic areas such as science, art, math, language arts and often incorporate Oneida language.

The students enjoyed the warmer weather in Albuquerque and meeting other Native Americans from across the country.

"I think it's good for our students to be able to compete in national arenas like this. Some of our kids, they've never been out of state before, they've never been on a plane before. They haven't had those opportunities, and for us to get that support from the tribe and the school, I think that's wonderful." said Peguero.

ONES Students to learn about careers in April

Students at Oneida Nation Elementary School will learn about a variety of careers during April, 2006.

Examples of careers students in grades K-5 will explore include:computer technology, police work, meteorology, dog training, museum curator, nursing, and wild life rehabilitation.

Lower grade elementary students will also be touring the Oneida Farm and the May Flower Green House.

Middle School students are learning about careers in physical and behavioral health and law enforcement. There are also many individual class projects focusing on investigating a variety of careers.

The theme of career month is "Tracking Careers from Learning to Earning". "Career month has 3 purposes," says Fred Sanderson elementary school counselor grades K-5. They include:

- Learning about the variety of careers available to them in the world of work,
- Understanding the connection between what they are learning in school and the skills and characteristics needed to succeed in specific careers.
- Recognizing that their friends and relatives (Native Americans) are already working in a variety of careers, and they can do likewise.

In summary, Students will benefit by acquiring knowledge of what skills and personal attributes are necessary for success in specific careers, and they will learn how the subjects they are studying in school are applicable to the careers they are investigating.

4/18/06 **Weather**
Grades 4-5, 12:00-12:45, Library
Grade 3 12:50-1:35

4/19/06 **W. L. Rehab**
Kindergarten 12:45-1:15 Kindergarten Area

4/20/06 **Computers**
Grades 4-5 12:00-12:45, Middle School Computer Lab

4/26/06 **Nursing**
Grade 1 12:00-12:30 Library
Kindergarten 12:45-1:15

Tours
4/19/06 **Farm**
Grades 1-2 12:00-1:30
4/26/06 May Flower
Grade 2 12:00-1:00

Scholarships

Jaycees of Wis. scholarship

The Jaycees of Wisconsin Foundation is again offering a $500 scholarship to a deserving student. This scholarship was established in 1993 to honor an outstanding Jaycee who died after a courageous battle with cancer. The Denise Bertucci Memorial Scholarship is meant for the nontraditional student–one who is returning to school after a break in formal education.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, having returned to school after at least two years off. Must be a full time continuing student with at least 2 semesters of school completed since returning. Applicant must have a gpa of 3.0, based on a 4.0 scale. Three letters of recommendation must be included in the application packet.

For more information contact the Scholarship Committee at **jcwfscholarship@netscape.net.** Or contact Debbie Van Natta, 2006 Bertucci Scholarship Committee Chairperson, **P O Box 1547, Appleton WI 54912**. Deadline for applications is **June 1st of each year.**

OCEC Classes available

The Oneida Community Education Center is located at 2632 S. Packerland Dr. and has a variety of classes available. Call **496-5249** or e-mail **tbutori@oneidanation.org** for a class schedule or go to **www.oncec.org** Click on Community Classes for more information about the following:

- Sewing Class on Tuesday May 9th from 5:00-7:00 pm.
- Pottery and Basket-Making
- Scrapbooking club
- Gardening Club
- Cooking lessons at the Cottage
- Intranet Computer Class
- Photography lessons or Digital Camera Class just to learn how to upload
- Mock Interview and Mock College Classes on Thursdays
- Oneida Culture lessons with Loretta on Wednesdays starting May 3rd from 5:00-7:00pm
- Oneida Language and Culture – Language Thursdays at 4:00 pm at the Oneida Library
- Advance Directives/Living Wills - Unity Hospice presentation on April 20
- Business / Personal finance – Learn how to use Quickbooks on Mondays
- College/SAT/ACT preparation is ongoing at the center
- Computers – Monthly including How to Buy a new PC or laptop
- Foreign languages (Am Sign Lg, French, German, Italian, and Spanish)
- ASL with Chloe on Mondays Even Start
- Spanish Club with Theresa on Wednesdays
- Life Skills - Monthly workshops sponsored by CAPPS

The Oneida Higher Education Spring College Fair

When: Monday May 1st, 2006
Where: Radisson Inn – Green Bay, WI Grand Council Ballroom
Time: 10:00a.m. - 3:00p.m.

Purpose: To provide access to school representatives from colleges, universities and other institutions of higher learning.

Ready to "explode" into education? Join us...it will be a "blast"!

Free Admission • General Public Welcome
Call **920-869-4471** for more information

Attention... All Graduating 2006 High School Seniors

The Kalihwisaks is preparing to honor all "2006" graduating HIGH SCHOOL Seniors in the **May 25th, 2006** issue of the Kalihwisaks with a special graduation centerfold in full color.

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PHOTOS:
FRIDAY, MAY 5th, 2005
*Any pictures received after the deadline date **may not be included** in the Special Graduation centerfold!

If you would like to be showcased in the Special 'High School Graduate' Section of the Kalihwisaks, please send the following by Friday, May 5th, 2006

- One photo – preferably vertical. Color preferred, black & white is acceptable.
- Include the following with submission:
 - Name of High School you will be graduating from.
 - Parents names.
 - Return address, or if you prefer, a SASE so the photo can be mailed back to you

Send photos to: Yvonne Kaquatosh c/o Kalihwisaks-Graduate Special, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155
For more information, call Yvonne at 1.800.236.2214, ext. 4280 or locally at (920) 869-4280.

Oneida Nation School
Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities
Presents...

Your CHILD and the INTERNET: What are the DANGERS?

Speaker: Special Agent Ray Greco – FBI

Thursday, May 11, 2006
6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

ONES School Library



Refreshments will be Served

Call 869.4646 for more information

Due to the nature of the subject, this presentation is appropriate for **adults only.**

Health

Questions and answers on Avian Influenza

Submitted by Eric Krawczyk
Community Health Services Director
(Part 3 of 3)

With all the media attention over the past year on "Avian Influenza" the following information is provided to give everyone a better understanding of what this public health concern is really about. The Community Health Services Department does have a plan to address this issue and is also in on-going discussions to redesign the Emergency Management area for the Oneida Nation. It is our intention to continue to keep our community educated on this public health issue and to continue to work in a direction that enhances preventive preparedness.

What can I do now to prepare for avian influenza?

Plan for a Pandemic

- Store a supply of water and food (enough for 4-5 weeks). During a pandemic, if you can't get to a store or the store is out of supplies, it will be important to have extra supplies on hand.
- Ask your doctor in insurance company if you can get an extra supply of your regular prescription drugs.
- Have extra nonprescription drugs and other health supplies on hand: pain relievers, stomach remedies, cough & cold medicine, fluids with electrolytes and vitamins.
- Talk to family members about how they would like to be cared fro if they get sick.
- Get involved in your community as it works to prepare for an influenza pandemic.

Limit the spread of germs/prevent infection

- Wash hands frequently with soap and teach children to wash hands frequently with soap and water.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with tissues and teach children to do the same.
- Stay away from others who are sick and stay home from school and work if you are sick.

Items to have on hand for an extended stay at home:

Food & Non-perishables

- Ready to eat canned meats, fruits, vegetables and soups
- Protein or fruit bars
- Dry cereal or granola
- Peanut butter or nuts
- Dried fruit
- Crackers
- Canned juices
- Bottled water
- Canned or jarred baby food and formula
- Pet food

Medical, Health & Emergency Supplies

- Prescribed medical supplies
- Soap, water or alcohol-based hand wash
- Medicines for fever such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen
- Thermometer
- Anti-diarrhea medications
- Vitamins
- Fluids with electrolytes
- Cleansing agent/soap
- Flashlight
- Batteries
- Manual can opener
- Garbage Bags
- Tissues, toilet paper, disposable diapers

Is it safe to eat chicken or poultry?

Avian influenza does not currently exist in the US. There are no reported cases of avian influenza due to eating cooked poultry products. There is evidence that thorough cooking of poultry and eggs would kill the virus if it were present. Food safety experts recommend cooking all poultry product to proper temperature. See Poultry Food Safety Tips.

Is it safe for poultry farm workers to handle poultry in the US?

There currently are no cases of avian influenza among poultry farms in the US. Throughout the world poultry flocks are being tested for it. If the virus is detected the flock is destroyed. Nations have banned imports of poultry from countries where bird flu outbreaks have been reported. Banning imports helps but does not prevent migratory birds from spreading the disease to other countries. For more specific information visit the UW-Extension website at **http://www.werp.uwex.edu/avianflu.htm**

What should farmers look for in their birds?

There are different forms of avian influenza including respiratory symptoms (coughing, sneezing, nasal secretions) and a decrease in egg production. In some cases, birds die with no apparent signs. If you see these or any other unusual symptoms contact a veterinarian or county extension office immediately. Outagamie County UW-Extension Agriculture agents can be reached at **832-5119** or **visit http://www.uwex.edu/ces/sars/newsletters/Newsletter.pdf.**

Poultry Food Safety Tips

- Cook all poultry products thoroughly before eating.
- Use a food thermometer to make sure foods are cooked to proper temperatures: whole birds, drumsticks, thighs and wings to 180 degrees Fahrenheit, breasts to 170 degrees Fahrenheit, ground turkey and chicken to 165 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Cook eggs until both the yolk and the white are firm. Scrambled eggs should not **be ru**nny.
- Cook casseroles and other dishes containing eggs to 160 degrees Fahrenheit.
- See **http://fightbac.org/pdf/cook.pdf** for specific cooking recommendations.

Need More Information?

www.cdc.gov/flu/avian
www.foodsafety.gov
www.nationalchickencouncil.com
www.dhfs.state.wi.us/communicable/avian/index.htm
www.werp.uwex.edu/avian

Spring Flinging at the Health Fair



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Community Health Center held a Spring Fling Health Education Fair on Thursday evening, April 6th. Community members could learn more about different services and get health advice and a nutritious meal.
Above: Dental assistant Leia Williams demonstrates proper teeth brushing to Tracy Metoxen

Family Fun Night scheduled

The Oneida Nation Elementary School will be the site of a Family Fun Night.

Come join in on the fun from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26th.

There will be healthy snacks & smoothies, plenty of games and give aways, as well as inflatables for the children. *Parent signature is required to participate in the inflatables.*

Other activities include: Dance, Dance Revolution and Stomp Dancing with Randy Cornelius.

For questions about this event, please contact Betty Schwantes at 869-4854.

This event is sponsored by the Oneida Community Health Center Diabetes Prevention Grant.

Family of disabled emergency workers won't have to pay fees

Received by Newsfinder from AP

MADISON, Wis. (AP) Relatives of emergency workers who die from disabilities suffered while on duty won't have to pay fees at state universities and technical colleges under a bill Gov. Jim Doyle signed into law Tuesday.

Children and spouses of emergency workers covered under the state retirement system, the city of Milwaukee's retirement system or Milwaukee County's retirement system are eligible under the bill.

The measure is a departure from current law, which states first responders must be killed in the line of duty before fees are remitted. The new law can apply to correctional officers, paramedics, ambulance drivers, police officers and firefighters.

Reclaiming Your Power

In honor of sexual assault awareness month

Date: ***Wednesday, April 19***
Time: ***5:00pm to 8:00pm***
Place: ***Oneida Social Services***

The purpose of this event is provide education, awareness, and resources about sexual violence, to all men, women and children in the community. We are looking to bring in a speaker to offer a personal and inspiring testimony about their own story of abuse and how they survived and began their journey of healing. Because sexual assault is so under-reported in our community, this event will hopefully give people the courage to speak out against sexual violence and encourage them to get help. Additionally, preventive education will be provided for children from preschool on up to high school (which will be held in separate areas of the building). We are also looking to bring in various community resources to set up booths (Example: Reach Counseling Services, Sexual Assault Center, Golden House, etc.) We hope to end this evening with a healing ceremony; an opportunity for everyone to begin/continue their own journey to wellness. Advocates will also be available to speak with anyone who wishes to do so. FREE Meal (Sponsored by the CAPPS Grant) and childcare will also be available for this event.



- **Every two seconds, someone in this country needs blood.**
- **Only 5% of the eligible population give blood. The demand for blood is outpacing the available supply.**
- **Every day, the Red Cross must collect over 900 blood donations in our region to meet patients' needs.**
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ONEIDA
Blood Drive
Friday, May 5th, 2006
8 am – 2 pm
Oneida Family Fitness
2640 West Point Rd.

Call the Oneida Family Fitness Center today for an appointment at...

490-3730

American Red Cross

Environmental

OCIFS – a well kept secret in Oneida

Submitted by OCIFS Coordinator

"Impossible", some might say. "There is no way you can keep a secret in a small community like ours". Yet, one of Oneida's best kept secrets is the Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS) group, which includes the Oneida Farm/Apple Orchard, Tsyunh#hkw< Center, Oneida Food Distribution/Food Pantry and the Grants Office. The OCIFS group is tirelessly working to improve the Nations quality of food, educating them of diet related health risks, increasing employment and youth opportunities, and assisting in bringing our people closer together.

They are an excellent example of what separate programs can do when they put aside their own interests and work toward the good of the many. That has not always been an easy task, and the members of OCIFS will readily admit that, but they will also admit that it has been well worth the effort. The OCIFS group has been instrumental in: the start up of the Oneida Farmers Market located at the One Stop parking lot on Highway 54 in Oneida. The Farmers Market runs every Tuesday from June - September and operates from 2:00pm - 6:00pm. The Oneida 4-H youth and Pantry Volunteers will again be running the brat booth at the Farmers Market so stop on in for a delicious Oneida Black Angus beef hamburger or a brat and a hot dog.

OCIFS was instrumental in establishing the Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H club in Oneida. Thanks to the Oneida Nation Farm, the 4-H youth have a 12 acre parcel where they have: a tree pilot project, 10 different sweet grass rings, a daffodil field and a pumpkin patch. This allows the youth to experience and learn first hand what it means to work the land and grow crops. It is our hopes that some of these youth will be the next generation of people to operate the Oneida Nation Farm and/or the Tsyunh#hkw< Farm.

The OCIFS Members recognized the value of having a comprehensive guide of area farms and farmers markets so they got involved with the Farm Fresh Atlas of North East Wisconsin. The atlas serves as a guide to finding and buying farm-fresh sustainably raised food in 16 area counties as well as the Oneida Nation. OCIFS members are not the only ones involved in getting these services started. There are dozens of other Oneida community members involved in these projects as well, but the one constant factor in them all is the presences of OCIFS.

The OCIFS Members are proud of what has been accomplished in the past, but they continue to look ahead and what yet needs to be achieved. One of the projects they are working on is the establishment of a Food Policy Council in Oneida. This council would be involved in 'Capacity Building' to strengthen the Oneida Community's ability to be self-sufficient and provide local food security. Some topics that could be addressed by the development of this council:

- Fresh and healthy foods in our schools and institutions
- Reduced dependency on outside food supplies
- Reduced energy usage (all that gas used to truck in food products)
- Increased local employment in agriculture and agribusiness careers
- Strengthen sovereignty by diversifying economy
- Provide opportunities for our youth to reconnect with the land

Individually the OCIFS members have also excelled in their own areas. The Oneida Farm currently operates a Cattle and Bison Operation. The farm herd consists of approximately 400 black Angus steers and 115 Buffalo. The Apple Orchard has 40 acres of orchard which totals approximately 4,200 trees. Fifteen varieties of apples are available with the majority of the apples being Macintosh, Cortlands, and Honey Golds. A large variety of meat products such as: Black Angus and Buffalo steaks, roasts and hamburgers. A selection of pork, chicken, walleye, perch, salmon, prawn, shrimp, frog legs and lobster tails to name a few. There is also a wide variety of fresh produce products such as: strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, sweetcorn, squash, pumpkins.

Tsyunh#hkw< is designed to integrate the best of traditional Oneida agricultural practices with holistic processes based on principles of Sustainable Development with consideration being economic, ecological, and social/cultural aspects. The 83 acre site includes organic gardens, a greenhouse, pasture raised chickens, Grass Fed beef steers and cattle. The Cannery produces several food products that have wide popularity within the community. These products include: corn soup, canned white corn, dehydrated white corn, white corn flour, salsa, pickles, cookies and several other products. All of these products and many more can be purchased at the Tsyunh#hkw< Retail store located in the Ridgeview Plaza at 3759 West Mason Street in Oneida.

The Oneida Food Distribution Program (OFDP) provides a well balanced food package, and has been distributing USDA food for over 23 years. They assist low income households and elderly individuals receive a monthly food package. The need for assistance has not decreased over the years, which explains why the Program expanded into 3 new counties. The Distribution Program now serves: Outagamie, Brown, Calumet, Sheboygan and Kewaunee Counties.

The Oneida Food Pantry, which is entirely volunteer run, is concerned with all the issues that the low income community members face, (low education, unemployment and low self-esteem). That is why their goals go way beyond just supplying food. In 2005, the Pantry started up a garden near the Nori Damrow Food Distribution Center so that the people in need could get a healthier choice of produce. By helping out in the garden, the families can then take some of the harvest home with them.

For more information regarding the OCIFS programs, please contact the appropriate person listed:

Oneida Food Distribution
– Ms. Nori Damrow at **869-1041**

Oneida Pantry Emergency Network
– Mr. Gary Smith at **869-1041**

Oneida Nation Farms/Apple Orchard
– Ms. Pat Cornelius at **833-7952**

Oneida Tsyunh#hkw< Center
– Mr. Jeff Metoxen at **869-2141**

Oneida Grants Office
– Ms. Frieda Clary at **869-4263**

Tsyunh#kw< Workshops

April 2006…
~ April 20th, 5:00 PM – Origin of Seeds/Cultural Significance, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

May 2006…
~ May 4th, 5:00 PM – Planting Tobacco Burning, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

~ May 20th, 5:00 PM – Three Sisters Planting, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

June 2006…
~ June 22nd, 5:00 PM – Red Raspberry Leaf Harvesting, Tsyunh#hkw< farm

~ June 22nd, 5:00 PM – Salve Making, Retail Store, Ridgeview Plaza

July 2006…
~ July 13th – Culinary Creations, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

August 2006…
~ Mid August – Green Corn Harvest and Soup Making-TBA, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

~ August 24th, 5:00 PM – Canning Pickles, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

September 2006…
~ September 21st, 5:00 PM Salsa Making, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

October 2006…
~ October 19th, 5:00 PM – Apple Workshop, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

November 2006…
~ November 2nd, 5:00 PM – White Corn Soup/Bread Making, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

Community Members needed to serve on Lake Board

A Community Advisory Board is being formed for the Oneida Lake Project. Members will help guide the planning, design, and creation of a 40-acre lake on the Reservation. The purpose of the Board is to provide both a cultural and community perspective for the project. There will not be regularly scheduled meetings. Meetings will be called during various phases of the project. There will be a need to review materials we send you in preparation for giving your input at the meetings. Board members will also participate in and promote the lake project through community events.

If you are interested in becoming a member of this exciting team, please contact Betsy Galbraith in the Environmental Quality Department at 496-5327.

Seed, Plant distribution slated for early May

Five Dollars ($5.00) will provide you with twenty-three (23) types of seed and nine (9) bedding plant selections.

Following are the seed types:

Beans-Green, Beans-Wax, Beets, Carrots, Corn-Sweet, Cukes-Pickling, Cukes-Slicing, Lettuce, Melon-Musk, Melon-Water, Onions, Peas-Snap, Potatoes-Red, Potatoes-White, Pumpkins-Pie, Radishes, Spinach, Squash-Acorn, Squash-Butternut, Squash-Crookneck, Squash-Zucchini, and Turnips.

Bedding Plants available include:

Tomatoes…
Cherry-Sungold, Slicer-Brandy Wine, Canning-Roma.

Peppers…
Bell-Ace, Hot-Jalapeno

Brassica…
Red Cabbage, Green Cabbage, Broccoli, Cauliflower.

You may select up to Four (4) of each variety.

Marigolds and Garden Fertilizer are also available!

Distribution will begin on **May 6th** from 10:00AM – 2:00PM and will continue M–F from 3:00PM – 6:00PM. until May 25th at 6:00PM.

You may return after June 5th if you need more of anything. Donations are accepted.

Tilling, gardens and more

Tsyunh#hkw< will be providing tilling services again this year beginning around late April and ending deadline end of June depending on the weather and ground moisture. For anything less than one quarter acre will cost $20. Please have any debris removed from potential site and mark on all for corners for easy identification. Also...

Community garden plots available across 54 from Haven road. There will be seven plots for community resident's use. This site involves organic practices with no herbicides or pesticides being used. The sites will be available to plant in late May, depending on the soil moisture content. Each small plot will cost $15. Services provided will include; Water onsite, mowing around plots (2-3 times per season), tilling services and any technical support needed for a successful season. Please contact Lou Williams Jr., Community Outreach Worker-Tsyunh#hkw< at **869-2718** or email: **lwillia2@oneidanation.org** for additional information.

This year the Gate Market will sell our produce from our property beginning this year around June. Please stay posted to the intranet and the kali for more updates. Please contact Kyle Wisneski, Greenhouse Technician at **869-2718** or email at: **kwisnesk@oneidanation.org**

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Saturday
May 13, 2006
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9:00 A.M.– Opening Prayer, light breakfast, pick up bags, gloves and orange vests



11:00 A.M.– Tree Give Away

12:00 Noon– Lunch, Environmental Education Displays, Kanukwathslakelu Garden Tour, Renaming Natural Areas

1:00 P.M.– Wings & Talons Presentation by Dino Tlachac

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Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Gavin Joseph Rentmeester



Gavin Joseph Rentmeester born to his proud parents Sonya Skenandore & Justin Rentmeester on March 20, 2006 at St. Mary's Hospital weighing 7lbs, 14oz and measuring 20.5 inches.

The proud grandparents are Joanne (Greg) Torres-Jacobs, Joseph (Judy) Skenandore, Denise & Russel Rentmeester. Great grandma's are Alice Torres and Julia Stuteen.

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NEXT DEADLINE

is...**Wednesday**
April 19th, 2006 @ 4:30 P.M. with a
PUBLISH DATE
of...**Thursday, April 27th, 2006**
Questions, please call: **920-869-4280, 4279** or **4277**
Toll Free:
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Happy 6th Birthday

Devin
April 7th



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Grandma & Pa-Pa

Happy 9th Birthday

Miss Maurisa
May 14th



Have a great day!
Love you!
Grandma & Pa-Pa

Happy 5th Birthday

Trinity
April 16th



(Now off to school we go)
We are happy for you!
Love!
Grandma & Pa-Pa

Happy 1st Birthday

Ernie Stevens, IV
April 24th



Baby E
We love you!!
From Gramma, Papa and the gang!!

Happy 3rd Birthday

Michael



Love Mom & Dad

Happy 1st Birthday

Ernest Lloyd Stevens IV
Sukwatunhetsla=we
On April 24th



You are the light of our lives
Love you! Mommy & Daddy

Somebody knew us



Photo submitted by Barb Skenandore

Florian (Lambert) Hill informed the Oneida Library that this photo is of his family and he is the young boy in the upper left hand corner. Florian stands next to Marshall Hill. The little girl with glasses on the lower left is still unknown, next to her is Celicia (Swamp) Hill. In the black shirt is Lambert's sister Grace Hill, the lady on the far right is still unknown at this time. FYI-Florian is now 82 years old.

Congratulations

Seymour Thunder Boys Basketball

These are the six Oneida Tribal members who helped take the Seymour Thunder Basketball Team to first place in the WIAA Division 2 tournaments in Madison, WI on March 18th, 2006. Pictured left to right is: Kahelote Cornelius, Derick Denny, Robert Costello, Mike King, John "Nick" Nicholas and Gabe Vega. Keep up the good work, boys, and maybe next year you can bring home the gold ball once again.

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Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

May 2006 Calendar of Events

"Tell your friends about our friends!"

Animal Stories for Preschoolers- Miracle of animal's flight: Monday, May 1 at 10:00am and again Monday, May 15 at 1:00pm

Find out how animals move in different ways. During this program, children and their families can hear the sanctuary staff read "Animals in Motion" by Pamela Hickman and "Animals in Flight" by Steve Jenkins and Robin Page. After the stories, participants will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per resident or Friend member and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671**.

Spring Bird Walk: Go in search for birds!: Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17 at 6:30am

Spring is here, which means the morning are a great time to go in search of birds at the sanctuary. It's a great time of year to come out to view a variety of Wisconsin birds. Bring your binoculars and hiking shoes. This event is free and open to the public. Meet at the parking lot by the Sanctuary Director's house. Bring binoculars and a field guide and come dressed for the weather. For more information, please call **(920) 391-3671.**

Spring Bird Walk: Go in search for birds!: Saturdays, May 6, 13, 20 6:30am

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Trail Fitness Walk: Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 12:00pm

It's time to get out into the spring air! A Sanctuary Naturalist will lead this 45 minute brisk hike on uneven terrain. Please come dressed for the weather and bring your hiking shoes. Meet at the front door of the Nature Center. Cost for all five sessions is $10 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $15 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671**. Space is limited.

Wildlife Day: Celebrate life in the wild!: Saturday, May 13 from 1:00pm-4:00pm

Come out and celebrate Wildlife Day at the Sanctuary. Enjoy kids' nature movies, make a bug box or toad hut, tour the new Raptor Flight Pavilion and many more activities! You'll also learn about wildlife and have an opportunity to see animals up close. Cost is $1 per project. For more information, call the Sanctuary at **(920) 391-3671**.

Evening Bird Walk: Thursday, May 18 at 6:00pm

After a long day at work, grab you binoculars and head out for a relaxing walk in search for Sanctuary birds. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Sanctuary at **(920) 391-3671**.

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Board Vacancies

Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee: One (1) Vacancy
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Qualifications shall also include the following: 1. Honorable Service A.) A person who has been inducted into or voluntarily entered into active duty in one of the service branches and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch due to "less than honorable conditions" B.) Active duty is having served 181 days or more of continuous duty unless discharged early for a service-related disability C.) Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has complete at least six years in the reserves or National Guard or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability. 2. Shall be a citizen of good standing.
Deadline date for receipt of applications of April 17, 2006.

Oneida Audit Committee: One (1) vacancy.
Qualifications: Shall be a member of the Oneida Tribe. Shall not be an employee of the Oneida Tribe. Shall have knowledge, skills and experience of the Tribe. Members shall adhere to all Tribal laws, codes, policies and procedures with the strictest confidentiality. **Deadline date for receipt of Applications of May 1, 2006.**

Oneida Personnel Commission: One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications: Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe. The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two (2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community members. Shall serve a remainder of term ending October 4, 2008. The membership may not be such that a conflict of interest or nepotism is created as defined in these by-laws: A. Nepotism is created by the following relationships: father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, daughter, son father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other. B. conflict of interest is a conflict between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. A or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe. **Deadline date for receipt of Applications of May 1, 2006.**

The Village of Hobart is recruiting for the following Committees. Needed are 5 regular members and 2 alternates. Public Works Committee; Water & Sewer Advisory Committee; Variance Committee; and Parks & Urban Forestry Committee. Please submit letter of interest with qualifications to:
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POSITION SUMMARY: This position is responsible for the entire process of publishing the Tribal newspaper Kalihwisaks. This position will supervise and direct the Kalihwisaks staff of the Communications Department. Incumbent will oversee the complete process of publishing the Kalihwisaks including writing, editing, layout, advertising, printing and distribution. This position will have daily contact with other individuals and groups of other Tribal departments. Must be willing and able to work evenings, weekends and holidays as assigned. This position will be responsible for developing and controlling the annual newsroom budget, develop and implement policies for Kalihwisaks including Personnel, Newspaper Production, Financial and Editorial. This is an exempt position and reports to the Area Manager. Continuation of position is contingent upon funding allocations. Issuing date ASAP. **Closing date: April 27, 2006.** Applications must be submitted or picked up at: Human Resources Department, 2630 West Mason Street, Green Bay, WI 54303 or PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155. If you have any questions, please call 436-7900.

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When: April 18, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30 A.M.

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376.The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this proposal are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

See the Cultural website

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Oneida Family Fitness

Family Fitness Highlights

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For more information call **490-3730**

Bellin Corporate Challenge Triple Crown

By: Eric Frantz
Fitness Specialist and Oneida Corporate Challenge Team Captain

The Bellin Run Corporate Challenge, which is a part of the Bellin Run (10K or 6.2 mile walk/run), is a relatively new program that is designed to allow local companies to compete on a participative and competitive basis, while promoting fitness and corporate camaraderie. Awards are given out for the Corporate Sponsor Timing Division, the Participation Division, and for a T-Shirt Contest. Any company that wins all three of these categories will receive the Bellin Run Triple Crown. By winning the Bellin Run Triple Crown, the company would be recognized by getting published in the Bellin Run race result booklet, published in the local newspapers, and posted on the Bellin Run website. This can add up to be a lot of free, healthy publicity for any company that wins the Bellin Run Triple Crown!

To win the Corporate Sponsor Timing Division, a company must have the fastest cumulative time based on it's top three male and top three female runners. If a company sponsors a World Class Elite Runner, this time is included as well. Last year, Team Oneida finished 4th overall in this category.

To win the Participation Division, you must have the greatest percentage of participants in your size division. Team Oneida is in the X-Large category, which is more than 1000 employees. This year, employees and their family members will be included in total. Also, participants must have a finishing time to be included in the total. Last year, the Oneida Team finished 11th out of 12 companies in this category, with only 1.53% of it's total employees participating. This percentage is misleading because the Oneida Tribe has a lot more employees than other companies in this division, but with your help, we can improve greatly in this category! Remember, this is a walking event as well as a running event!

To win the T-Shirt Design contest, a company must have the best-designed t-shirt as judged by a panel of Elite Runners and Bellin Staff. As a part of this contest, Team Oneida is having their own separate T-shirt Design contest to see who can provide the best design to submit to Bellin to win the Bellin Run Corporate Challenge contest. The winner of our T-shirt Design contest will receive a one night stay at the Radisson Hotel. In order to win, participants must be registered with Team Oneida for the Bellin Run, which is on Saturday June 10, 2006. Entries should be submitted on paper or via JPEG format on computer to Eric Frantz by **May 1, 2006**. You may email them to **efrantz@oneidanation.org** or mail to **2640 West Point Road; Green Bay, WI 54304**.

How do you register to be on Team Oneida for the Bellin Run? Stop in at Oneida Family Fitness today to sign up! We will cover half of the Bellin Run entry fee! It will only cost $8.50 to register for the Bellin Run, or $2.50 to be in the Children's Race. Also, if you register by May 1st, you can receive up to three different t-shirts, a training schedule and training log, access to educational seminars for race training, a team picture, and more! Contact the Team Oneida Captain, Eric Frantz, at **490-3730** or **efrantz@oneidanation.org** for more details!

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Stefanie Richter



Photo submitted by Oneida Family Fitness

Stefanie Richter started her career at Oneida Family Fitness as a college intern. She has joined the staff full time after graduating from the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire with a bachelor degree in Kinesiology - Exercise Management.

Stefanie Richter is one of the Fitness Specialists at Oneida Family Fitness. Stefanie's love for fitness started at a young age. Her constant passion for sports and enjoying the outdoors made it easy for Stefanie to make physical activity a part of her every day life. Stefanie joined the Oneida Family Fitness team while still in college as an intern. After graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire with a bachelor degree in Kinesiology-Exercise Management in December of 2004, she joined the fitness center full-time.

Stefanie currently teaches the Spinning class offered at the fitness center. If you are unsure of what this class is, stop in and try it out on Thursdays at 5:10pm. It's a great work out! Stef is also very active in the TRIAD program which is designed to help people dealing with diabetes to take responsibility for their own health. She also enjoys working with children and gets the opportunity to lead the Monday night Kidz Klub program at the fitness center. With the Bellin Run quickly approaching, Stef is also leading group runs throughout the week along with other fitness staff members. Stef ran the Bellin for the first time last year and was inspired to help others train because of the great experience she had in completing her first 10k race.

Stef enjoys the opportunity to keep growing in the fitness field. By obtaining more training and certifications, she has the opportunity to broaden her knowledge base. She is currently a certified personal trainer through NCSF (National Council of Strength and Fitness) and AFAA (Aerobics and Fitness Association of America). She recently took the AFAA group exercise certification and was recently certified as a Pilates instructor. Stefanie loves the fact that the fitness industry is always growing and that there is always more to learn.

Stefanie enjoys meeting and helping fitness center members. Feel free to introduce yourself to Stef next time you are at the fitness center and don't be afraid to ask any questions related to exercise and overall health and wellness.

Oneida Family Fitness Staff

Michelle Mielke.....*Fitness Center Director*
Todd Shelto.....*Fitness Center Assistant Director*
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The **O**neida **F**amily **F**itness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at: 2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI Phone: (920) 490-3730. Look for *o.f.f. highlights* once a month in the Kali.



OFF to Host a Country Line Dance-a-thon

Refreshments, prizes and lots of fun

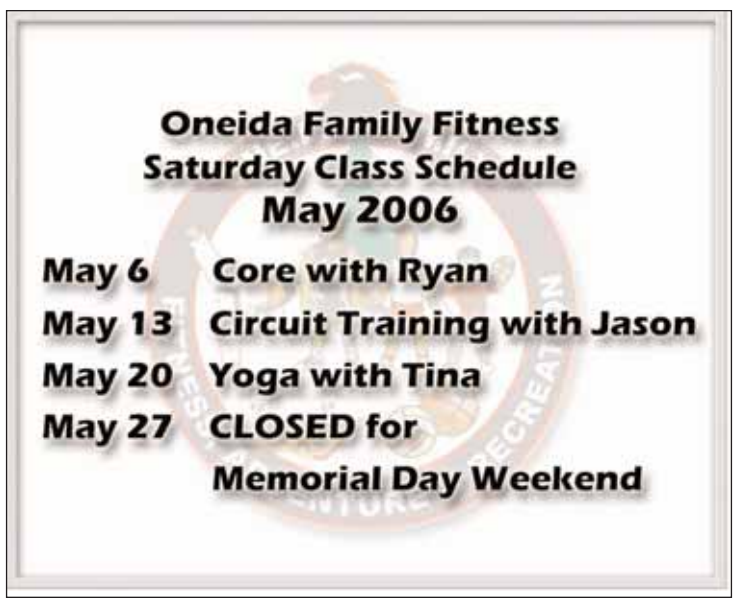
Even though Country music has been around for a while, Country Line dancing is relatively new. The craze began in 1992 with the dance "Achey Breaky" and has since spread world wide. What started with the simple Achey Breaky (which, by the way, we teach at Oneida Family Fitness) has expanded to thousands of dances ranging from the simple to the very complex. It is done in lines or rows and is wonderful exercise. Most beginner dances have no more than 32 easy steps to remember. Traditionally, line dancing was a lower body dance more in the order of clogging or jigging as in the Irish Jig or the Oneida Jig that is done at weddings and special occasions. But Line dancing has expanded to pop and rock and one now sees all kinds of upper body movement in the dances. It is often taught in gym classes in grade and high schools. Europe has even gotten into the act (England loves American country music) and has added their own flair. New dances are developed every day. After 15 years, it is safe to say that line dancing is here to stay.

Line dance classes are in full swing at Oneida Family fitness. They are offered on Tuesday evenings at 7:00. As a culmination of our third successful season we are offering a Line Dance-a-thon. This is a non-competitive event consisting of 80 minutes of continuous dancing (think of all those calories you will be burning), light refreshments and several drawings for prizes. There is no charge for Fitness Center members and only a nominal fee of $2.50 for non members which will be waved if a non member attends 4 or more classes before the event.

The classes in April and May will be devoted exclusively to learning the steps for the dances that will be done at the Dance-a-thon on May 23rd. We will teach one new dance each evening and then review one dance (sometimes two depending upon the difficulty of the dance). Classes are free to members - $2.50 for non members.

If you are concerned that learning the steps is not good exercise just ask one of our participants who range in age from 10 to 78 yrs. They will tell you that we are often sweating before the steps are even put to music. We have lots of fun laughing at ourselves as we trip over our feet learning the dance for that week. Many of our participants have never danced before. Since we get new people almost every week, we keep the atmosphere light and fun.

Sound interesting? Give it a try. You'll have nothing to lose except a few calories.



Children should exercise

By Jason Manders
OFF Fitness Specialist

More than 60 percent of American adults are not regularly physically active. In fact 25 percent of all adults are not active at all.

Nearly half of the youth(12-21 years of age) are not vigorously active on a regular basis.

Source: Surgeon General Report 1999

The way children spend most of their leisure time is different from years ago. Instead of having the neighbors over for a friendly game of football or soccer, today's youth would rather stay inside and play video games or watch television. I am not discouraging a little television time or playing the occasional video game, but physical activity is important. Increased physical activity has been associated with an increased life expectancy and decreased risk of cardiovascular disease. Inactive children are likely to become inactive adults.

How do I promote activity in my child?

*Physical activity should be increased by reducing sedentary time (e.g., watching television, playing computer/video games or talking on the phone). Put a time limit on these activities.

*Physical activity should be fun and enjoyable for children and adolescents -get friends and family involved with outdoor activities like camping, raking leaves, taking nature walks or washing the family car. Find out what your child likes to do.

*Parents should try to be role models for active lifestyles and provide children with opportunities for increased physical activity.

Staff Recommendations

*Participate in parent/ child classes including family shape up, kids club, kid's circuit, and teen training.

*Register your child for martial arts including mighty ninjas and Tae Kwon Do classes.

All children, regardless of their age, need to be physically active. Children are the future and deserve a healthy and happy upbringing. The American Heart Association recommends all children ages two and older to participate in at least 30 minutes of enjoyable, moderate-intensity activities every day.

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Proposed budget cuts jeopardize two WI Indian health clinics



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The United Amerindian Center in downtown Green Bay could be targeted for closure with proposed budget cuts.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Donald Johnson is a greeter at the United Amerindian Health Center in Green Bay. Normally the elderly man will smile and offer you a cup of coffee, but ask him about proposed federal budget cuts that would close 17 urban Indian Health clinics, and his Menominee warrior blood rises.

"That would be disastrous to the people because this is needed. This ain't a want, it's a need. It's a treaty right for us to have service, Bush don't understand that." he said.

President Bush has proposed in his 2007 budget eliminating $33 million that goes to 34 urban Indian health clinics across the country. The cuts could mean 17 of the clinics would close including the Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center in Milwaukee and the Amerindian Center in Green Bay.

The cuts are proposed to reduce redundancy. Clients of the closed clinics would go to federally funded community health centers which would receive a $181 million increase to expand or build new centers.

However, opponents of the plan argue that not enough research has been done on the impact such closures would have on urban Indians.

"Congress really needs to do an impact study before an elimination so we do know the ramifications of this kind of a closure could be," said Oneida Business Committee vice-chairwoman Kathy Hughes who testified in Washington against the cuts and for a re-authorized Indian Health Care Improvement act.

One concern is that the inner-city Indian clinics often focus on health issues that disproportionally effect Native Americans such as diabetes.

The Gerald L. Ignace center offers comprehensive diabetic programs such as a nutritionist, mini-gym and cooking classes.

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Health Centers

Chopin' at the bit to win this sweet ride...

Kali photos/Steve Gandy

Oneida Bingo and Casino had teamed up with Orange County Choppers to give away a custom Oneida Casino Chopper. The bike will be on display until May 7th, at which time it will be given away to one lucky winner. In addition to this chopper, on May 7th from noon- 6pm, OCC will have six additional choppers on display for viewing.

Also on hand from OCC will be a question and answer session with Paul Sr. and Mikey Teutul from the Discovery Channel's series American Chopper.

All the excitement is centered around Oneida Bingo and Casino's $100,000 Cash & Keys promotion. Going on now through May 3rd.





Gandy joins Kalihwisaks Staff

Steve Gandy has left the Oneida Casino Poker Room to join the staff at the Kalihwisaks as the Interim Sr. Photographer/Reporter.



Gandy got his start in journalism in the Army doing design and layout work for the Fort Hauchuca Scout, the newspaper for his base in Arizona.

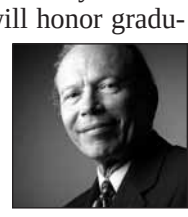
While attending the University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, Gandy studied economics and communications/photojournalism. He also worked on the campus paper, The Fourth Estate.

"I'm looking forward to becoming a very valued member of this organization, of this paper, and serving the community and the tribal community as best I can," he said.

Gandy is an enrolled member of the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa.

Gollnick among those honored by UW-Green Bay Alumni Association

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay Alumni Association will honor graduates for their accomplishments on Saturday, April 29 in the Phoenix Rooms of University Union on the campus at 2420 Nicolet Drive.



Receiving the Distinguished Alumni Award will be, among others, William Gollnick, chief of staff for the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

A reception begins at 5 p.m., followed by dinner and the program. Tickets are $15 per person and must be purchased by noon on Friday, April 28. The number for information or to reserve tickets is (920) 465-2586.

Distinguished Alumni Award winner Gollnick earned a bachelor's degree in Social Change and Development at UW-Green Bay in 1981 and continued his education at Harvard University where he received a master's degree in Educational Administration, Planning and Social Policy.

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Distinguished Alumni

Oneidas honored at NIGA's Annual Trade Show

Submitted by Pete King, III
Special to the Kalihwisks

Two Oneida business leaders and one Oneida tribal member who heads a national non-profit organization that preserves and protects Native languages were honored with a Chairman's Leadership Award by the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) on Monday, April 3, in Albuquerque, N.M. The honoring was held on the first day of NIGA's 15th annual trade show and membership meeting, which took place from April 2 to 5 at the Albuquerque Convention Center.

Ernie Stevens, Jr., an Oneida tribal member who has served as NIGA Chairman for the past five years, presented the prestigious awards to Artley Skenandore, Chief Executive Officer of Nature's Way Tissue Corp. and Patricia Lassila, former President of the Oneida Airport Hotel Corp.

Sharing the stage with Stevens at the standing room only lunch-time honoring ceremony held at the downtown Albuquerque Hyatt Hotel was Olympic gold medalist Billy Mills. Mills was present to offer a keynote address and promote sports among Native American Youth, served as the presenter for the awards ceremony.

In addition to Skenandore and Lassila, NIGA also recognized American Indian tribal efforts to boost hurricane relief, trust land protection, youth sports and

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NIGA Awards



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Jerry Hill, center, proudly accepts an award from Billy Mills and Wes Studi.

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Planning and Social Policy. He has served in various administrative positions with the Oneida Tribe of Indians for more than 30 years. Recently he led negotiations with the State of Wisconsin for a successful gaming compact, as well as negotiations and settlement talks on Wisconsin Oneida land claims in New York State.

Gollnick has a long list of service and affiliations. Among them is a presidential appointment as vice chairperson of the National Advisory Council on Indian Education and service as a consultant to the White House Conference on Indian Education. He has had two Wisconsin gubernatorial appointments, including chairperson of the Wisconsin State American Indian Language and Culture Education Board, and the Wisconsin State Chapter 2 Advisory Committee that he served as secretary.

He has won awards from entities including the National Indian Gaming Association, the Oneida Tribal School Board, the Oneida Tribe, the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, the Wisconsin Indian Education Association, and the Harvard Graduate School of Education, among others.

Other honorees at the dinner will be Betsy Hendrickson, an honorary chairperson of the UW-Green Bay capital campaign; and Paul Linzmeyer, president of Bay Towel, Inc. Outstanding Recent Alumni Awards will be presented to David Lamers, Kaukauna, and Veronica Brieno Rankin, South Range, Mich.

In addition to the awards made to alumni, an "Honorary Alumna" award will be given to her family in honor of Kathy Majewski, who was a student at UW-Green Bay when she died in 1999. Her parents, Jim and Mary Lou Majewski of Pulaski, have created a scholarship in her memory at UW-Green Bay. The Association also will acknowledge former members of its board at the dinner event.

From Page 1A/ *Health Centers*

"Our argument is that we are not duplicative, but that we actually compliment what community health centers are doing," said director of the Gerald L. Ignace Health Center Jone Stromberg.

Executive director of the Amerindian Center David Webster said cuts would mean losing money for transporting people from Green Bay to the Oneida Community Health Center, an on-site nurse and administrative positions.

"We get a diabetes grant and that wouldn't be effected by the cut, but we wouldn't have anyone to administer it." said Webster.

Another concern is the community health centers that would fill the gap are already overwhelmed with patients.

"In Milwaukee, they have had to stop seeing people who are uninsured because they don't have sufficient funding," said Stromberg.

Currently the Gerald L. Ignace Center sees 2000 clients a year with the majority being 629 Oneidas.

The Amerindian Center gets about 600 visits a month with most of the clients being either Oneida or Menominee. Webster noted that the community health center in Green bay "has pretty limited hours and pretty limited service."

Also, there is a lack of familiarity that may discourage Native Americans from going to the centers other than in extreme health situations.

"Rather than taking preventative measures for keeping the diseases from getting worse, (clients) will wait till the last minute to go in and then the treatments will be much more costly." said Hughes.

Both the Gerald L. Ignace and Amerindian centers offer Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (AODA) counseling. The Milwaukee center also offers traditional healing support groups, a computer resource center for job searches and referrals for access to housing and food.

"There's just that connection that we create to identify with their own culture and that often means more in helping in the healing process than if you give people drugs." said Stromberg.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Support sought for clinics

The Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center, United Amerindian Health Center and the Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) are looking for letters of support to send to Washington.

- ***United Amerindian Health Center*** - The organization is looking for information from clients on what they use the center for and what it would mean if it were to close as well as letters of support. The letters will be forwarded the National Organization for Urban Centers. Contact **920-436-6638** or write to: **United Amerindian Health Center, 407 Dousman Street, Green Bay WI 54303**
- ***Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center*** - The center is looking for letters of support from clients as well as members of the community. Contact **414-383-9526** or write to: **Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53204.**
- ***SEOTS*** - The organization is asking for letters of support for the Gerald L. Ignace center and also has a form letter available to sign and send in to congress to show support. Contact **414-384-7740** or write to **SEOTS, 2778 S. 35th Street Milwaukee, WI, 53215.**

Maple syrup feast at Turtle School



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Nation Elementary school enjoyed a pancake lunch featuring maple syrup gathered by the students and staff.
Above: Jalia Bautista gets syrup. Right: School administrator Sheri Mousseau serves syrup to Travis Stevens and Jacob Johnson of the second grade .





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Local

Passing On

Douyette, Leola E.
1920 – March 31, 2006

Leola E. Douyette, (Nee Webster). Born to eternal life March 31, 2006, aged 86 years. Survived by daughter Janice Jurena, son Melvin Douyette Jr. (Debra) and daughter Cheryl Douyette (Pierre Page). Also survived by four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at Forest Hill Memorial Park in Oak Creek, WI on April 4 at 2:00pm. Father Robert Betz presided over a gathering of family and friends celebrating Leola's life and spirit. Leola's ashes were interred at Forest Hill Memorial Park following the services. A very loving and strong-willed person, Leola will be missed but never forgotten by all those whose lives she touched.

House (Skenandore), Warrean Marie
May 19, 1928 – April 16, 2006



Warrean Marie (Skenandore) House, 77, of Oneida, died Sunday April 16, 2006 at a local hospital. The daughter of the late Ami and Wealthy Jane (Powless) Skenandore was born May 19, 1928 in Milwaukee. She was a graduate of Bayview High School in Milwaukee. She married James House on December 10, 1949 in Milwaukee.

Mrs. House worked at Geaf Photo, and more recently in the accounting department for the Elderly Workers at Oneida Casino . Warrean was a member of Holy Apostles Church, where she was a past Vestry Member. She loved to play bingo and gamble at the Casino, and was a past member of the Oneida VFW Auxilliary.

Survivors include her husband, James House, and their children, Jimmy, Alec, Sandi House, Joy House, Lynn Loveday, Terry House and his fiancé, Lauren Pucine, Warren House and very special friend, Reenie Lowe, grandchildren, Wendy, Jeffrey, Connie, Babe, Joshua, Billy, Jonathan, and Nicole; great-grandchildren, Ciara, Aaron, Ariana, Julien, Savanah, Adam, Joshia; four sisters, including her twin, Florrean Ryan, Elduwayne Zielinski, Audrey Pero, and Elaine Hermanson. She was preceded in death by her parents, one grandson, Ryan and one sister, Ramona John.

Mass of Christian Burial was held 11:00 am Friday, April 21 at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Oneida, WI. Rev. Dewey Silas and Deacon Edmund Powless, officiated with burial in the church cemetery. Please visit ww.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the House family.

Webster, Lewis "Louie"
July 19, 1907 – April 17, 2006



Lewis "Louie" Webster, Jr., 98, Green Bay, died Monday April 17, 2006, following a brief illness. He was born July 19, 1907, in Oneida to the late Lewis Earl and Marie Elizabeth (Christjohn) Webster Sr. Louie attended school in Haskell, KS., and attended Central State College in Mount Pleasant, Mich., for three years. His goal was to earn a degree in physical education with the hope of becoming a coach because of his outstanding play in football, basketball and track. Following college, Louie enlisted in the U.S. Army on Mar. 20, 1942, at the age of 34 and received basic training at Fort Campbell, Ky. He was honorably discharged on Oct. 23, 1945. For many years, he worked for Nelson Machinery. After he retired, he continued to work as a greens keeper at Woodside County Club. Louie loved to golf. For many years, he was involved with his golf team at Woodside County Club. His team won many trophies and Louie was very proud of those accomplishments. Louie was an avid Packers fan for many years and was a Green Bay Blue Jay and Green Bay Bobcat fan. He loved to play golf and was a very good golfer. Louie was married to Ceil Coppens for over 50 years. She preceded him in death 10 years ago.

Louie is survived by his three sons and a daughter-in-law, Lee Webster and his life partner, Rick Beyers, David and Betty Coppens, all of Green Bay; Ronald Phillips, Crivitz; his grandchildren, (Terri) Darrell Romanek, Scott Phillips; his great-grandchildren, Aaron, Amanda, Emily Romanek, Mike and Tracie Prue; a nephew, Kenneth "Bill" Webster, Green Bay; a special friend, Marvin Greene, Green Bay; his special pets, "Ginger and Suzi Q"; other nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ceil (Coppens) Webster, who he will rejoin after 50 years of marriage; his parents; his sister, Dorothy (Benefield) Webster; an uncle, John Webster; and a grandson, Michael Prue.

Funeral services were held at 7 p.m. Friday, April 21, 2006 at Blaney Funeral Home, 1521 Shawano Ave., Green Bay, WI. Rev. Dewey Silas officiated with entombment in Fort Howard Memorial Park.

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Upcoming Special Events in the Oneida Community

Following are a list of upcoming special events and holiday observances in the Oneida community.

May…
May 14 – Mothers Day
May 18 – Lorrie Church Concert, Radisson
May 26 – Oneida Nation Day
May 29 – Memorial Day

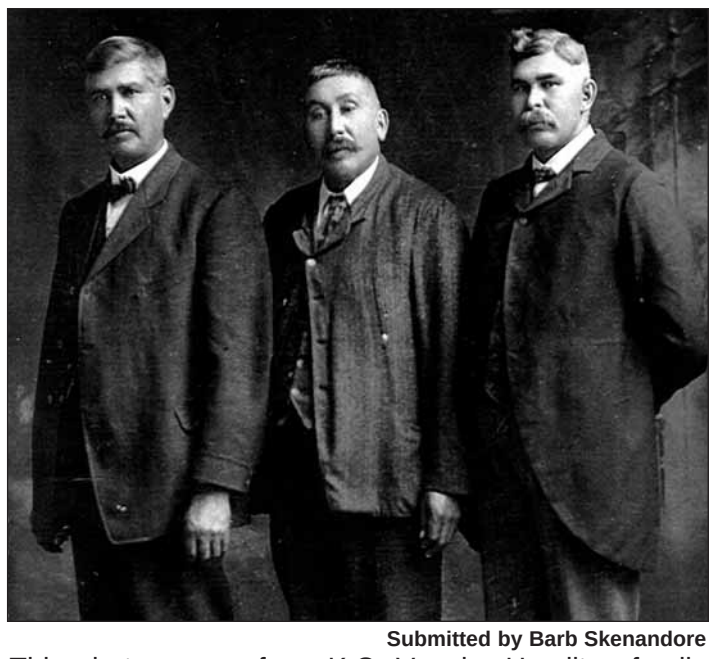
June…
June 2 & 3 – Family Carnival Norbert Hill Center
June 5 – Special Election Caucus, 6:00 p.m. in Business Committee Conf. Rm., NHC.
June 7 – Media Tour
June 15 – Annual Miss/Jr. Miss Oneida Pageant, 6pm p.m. in Wolf Room at Radisson Hotel & Convention Center.
June 18 – Fathers Day
June 19-21 – NATOW, Tourism Conference and Golf Event, Bad River Casino
June 19-21 – NCAI Sault Ste. Marie, MI
June 24-25 – Hog Rally at Radisson
June 30-July 3 – Pow Wow
June 30 – Li'l Miss Oneida selected on Pow wow grounds at approx. 5:00 p.m. (Before grand entry of 35th annual Pow wow)

July…
July 3 – GTC
July 4 – Holiday
July 13 – Radisson 20th Anniversary Dinner
July 14 – 20th Anniversary Community Luncheon Radisson
July 22 – Special Election, 8:00 a.m., Place to be determined.
July 28-29 – 10th Annual American Cancer Society – Oneida Relay for Life

August…
August 4or5 – Fox Family *(Tentative)* Night at Lambeau
August 23 – Take a Divot out of Diabetes 2nd Annual Golf event at Royal St. Patrick's, Wrightstown

September…
September 8-10 – Indian Summer in Milwaukee, WI
September 16-19 – American Indian and Alaskan Native Tourism Conference, Quinnault, WA

Do you know us?



Submitted by Barb Skenandore

This photo comes from K.C. Vaughn Hamilton family photos. Her parents are Alexander (Hurley) Parkhurst, and Dorothy (Wheelock) Parkhurst. Her grandparents on her Father's side are Alexander Parkhurst and Kate (Metoxen) Parkhurst and on her mother's side her grandparents are Frank Wheelock and Alice (John) Wheelock.. If you have any information about their identity, please contact the Oneida Library at 920-869-2210 or write to: Oneida Library, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI, 54155. See page 5B for an update on the April 13th insert of *Do you know us?*

A message of Thanks

The Rose…

A rose once grew
where all could see,
sheltered beside a garden wall.
And as the days passed swiftly by,
it spread it's branches straight and tall...
One day, a beam of light shone
through a crevice that had opened wide–
The rose bent gently toward its warmth
then passed beyond to the other side...
Now, the rose blooms there
It's beauty even greater now,
nurtured by God's loving care.

The family of Grover Smith "Good Looking," would like to sincerely thank all those persons who honored him with their presence, kind words, cards, flowers and food during his recent passing. And everyone who has helped us through this difficult time. Words cannot express our gratitude and thanks to the wonderful Oneida Elderly Services Staff and Co-Worker's, friends and community members who donated food, and time serving tables during Grover's funeral. A Special thank you to San Luis Manor's staff who were so kind, compassionate, and caring during his last month's here with us, and to Unity Hospice nurses. Also, thank you to Ryan Funeral Home, Pastor Lonnie Johnson of Oneida Assembly of God Church, the Oneida Singers, and the Oneida Veteran's for helping to put together such a nice service. Grover's humorous, quiet, and sensitive personality will be dearly missed by his family, friends and all those who knew him. He truly had a servant's heart.

The family of Grover Smith "Good Looking"

Episcopal burial process

Announcement from Holy Apostles Episcopal Church in Oneida:

Recently, the church adopted a policy on its burial processes in the Holy Apostles Church Cemetery. This policy was drafted by the Holy Apostles Cemetery Committee and adopted by the church vestry. This information has been shared with the local funeral homes. The policy considers the church's concern of the potential lack of burial space in the cemetery.

This announcement is intended to help you when you need to make burial arrangements in the Holy Apostles Church Cemetery.

We have a new price listing to help you when you need to make burial arrangements. The pricing information is found in the Burial Procedures brochure located at the back of the church or by telephoning the church office at: **(920) 869-2565.**

When contact is made, the funeral home or the church will ask for the main contact and if the deceased is a member o the Holy Apostles Church.

The church membership criteria includes that of attending church regularly, providing support through pledging and other offerings to the Holy Apostles Episcopal Church.

For more information, please contact the church office, the church Vestry or the church's cemetery committee. Their telephone numbers are found on the church's Sunday bulletins and on the burial procedures brochure.

"Let us pray for all who mourn, that they may cast their care on God, and know the consolation of his love." The Book of the Common Prayer

Thank you,
The Holy Apostles Episcopal Church Vestry

Re-Scheduled… Re-Scheduled…

Oneida Peacemaking

"Hands on workshop on Healing"

Friday, May 19, 2006 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday, May 20, 2006 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Norbert Hill Center Business Committee Conference Room

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED BY FRIDAY MAY 12, 2006

The goal of Peacemaking is to foster harmony and positively impact all members of the Oneida Community. We are all Shareholders in Peacemaking from Emplyees to Community Members, from our Youth to our Elders, we are all empowered on common ground.

Peacemaking is an ancient Oneida process that was used by the "clans" to resolve disputes and foster continued harmony among the people and it is currently being revitalized in our Community. Peacemaking is not adversarial such as the modern day Court System. It is a process where settlement is reached with the guidance of a "Peacemaker". The Peacemaker serves as a facilitator in assisting the parties to create an environment of listening and talking to each other with respect.

This workshop is for All Oneida Nation Citizens, All Oneida Community Members, All Oneida Youth and Elders. All Employees including front line employees, Supervisors, Managers, Program Directors, All Commission, Committee and Board Members.

Space is limited so please register early, you can call in your registration to 496-5300. For further information, please contact the Oneida Appeals Commission at 497-5800 or you can contact Jim Martin at 920-562-4880.

Announcement

ONEIDA SMALL BUSINESS, INC

A revolving loan fund is ready for Oneida Tribal members who would like to be their own boss or develop their business. Whatever your thoughts are on this subject the board of Oneida Small Business, Inc. is posting this notice to alert our community that they will need a Business Plan to utilize the program. The Oneida Career Development Program, located on Packerland Drive is set and ready to help those who need assistance to write a business plan.

Interested parties may submit a Business Plan at Bay Bank beginning May 1st!

Local

Elderly Independent living

By Steve Gandy
Kalihwisaks



Kali Photo/Steve Gandy

Nine year tenants, William and Rose Cooper enjoy independent living in Oneidas Elderly housing

The goal of the Oneida Nations Elderly Services program is to make life easier and safer for the elders, and the scope is reservation wide. Some of the many benefits that Elderly Services provide to the Oneida community elders are respite care, In-home chore workers, Alzheimer groups and elderly abuse prevention. Tina Pospychala, Assistant Director of Elderly Services says, "We provide 2-4 hours of care per day or per week depending on what (resources) we have available." All of the available services must be scheduled through Elderly Services and priority will be given to individuals whom are 70 or older. the Oneida Nations Elderly Services provides all services to members 55 years of age and older.

These Services also include a housing provision. Elderly services operates and maintains an independent living apartment complex on South Overland consisting of 29 units.

Although the units are located directly adjacent to the elderly Services building, tenants live independently and receive assistance from the staff when they (tenant) requests assistance. "They (tenants) pay rent every month just like other communities," Pospychala said. They have all the rights and responsibilities, independence and freedoms as every other tenant in the state of Wisconsin. Conversely, the management and staff are also bound to the same laws as every other property-owner in the state. They cannot enter units without permission or without 24 hours notice.

While being an independent living facility, there is still a staff member on hand that will take care of emergencies, repairs and the concerns of their residents.

William and Rose Cooper are residents of the apartment complex and have lived there since September of 1997. Both enjoy the community in which they live. They utilize a walking trail, approximately 1/3 mile long, 3-4 times in a week. Activities, meeting and the occasional road trip are also on the Cooper's agenda.

For more information Contact Elderly Services, located on S. Overland in Oneida. Phone 869-2448

From Page 1A/*NIGA Award recipients*

tribal language preservation and protection.

Gerald (Jerry) Hill, another Oneida tribal member, who serves as the President of the Indigenous Language Institute (ILI) in Santa Fe, N.M., accepted the NIGA award on behalf of the Institute's language protection and preservation efforts.

"The Chairman's Leadership Award is one of the top honors that NIGA gives each year; the award recognizes both tribes and individuals across the United States – and, I'm especially proud to recognize the efforts and accomplishments of my brothers and sister from the Oneida Tribe," said Stevens. "Pat, Artley and Jerry bring great credit to our tribe; and I am especially pleased to see their hard work on behalf of the Oneida Tribe – and Indian Country – recognized by association that I am so proud to serve."

"This award is perceived (by me) to be a recognition of the tribes that are investors in Nature's Way Tissue Corp., and their diversification vision," said Skenandore, noting that the Oneida Tribe's Seven Generations Corp. and the Spirit Lake Nation in Fort Totten, N.D., are the two tribal investors, along with Skenandore. "As investors, we have 51 percent of the company's shares," Skenandore noted.

"This award recognizes the two tribes and their continued efforts to diversify the economy," added Skenandore, noting that the Spirit Lake Tribe also own a varsity bag business, that NIGA uses to produce give-away bags for its trade shows. The tribe also owns Sioux Manufacturing, a defense manufacturing business and a successful resort on the edge of Spirit Lake. The Oneida Tribe also has experienced success in the convenience store business, banking and agriculture, said Skenandore. "I look upon this award as an acknowledgement of their (the tribes') vision."





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Above, left, is Artley Skenandore shows the award he received from presenter Billy Mills and an unidentified gentleman. At left is Pat Lassila, former president of the Airport hotel corporation.

Lassila served as President of the Oneida Airport Hotel Corp. for twelve years. She currently operates a restaurant in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, with her daughter.

"I started my career at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in 1988 as a waitress, working for the management company that operated our hotel at the time; and I was able to work my way up the ladder over the years," said Lassila. "When I started my position as President, one of my first jobs was to transition our hotel from the management company to the Oneida Airport Hotel Corp., a process that took about four years."

"I also worked on two expansion projects totaling 30 million dollars, which I am proud to say both came in under budget," noted Lassila. "One of the biggest challenges for me was being a woman in a male dominated business."

"Our surrounding community never thought that we would be as successful as we are today," said Lassila. "This year, our hotel will be celebrating our 20-year anniversary."

"Several year's ago, I approached Mr. Stevens and the NIGA board of directors regarding the hospitality industry; I thought it was a great opportunity to share my experience as a hotelier with other tribes because of the number of casinos that were being built in Indian Country -- that is how the NIGA Hospitality Network got its start," said Lassila.

"Pat was largely responsible for the success of the National Indian Gaming Hospitality Network; and it will be very hard to fill her shoes now that she's no longer there," said Stevens, as he presented the award. "At NIGA, Pat helped me personally to highlight the Indian gaming hospitality industry, which is an important component of our work to promote Native owned businesses."

"It was my and Pat's goal to get the two groups of people – those who represent the gaming side and those on the hospitality side of our Native casinos – to work together in both a proactive manner and in a way that will most benefit our communities in the end," said Stevens.

"I think that it is important that we share our knowledge with other Native American tribes," said Lassila. "I think it is also important that we give back to the community."

NIGA's 15th Annual Trade Show and Membership Meeting concluded with an attendance of almost 5,000 attendees and some 400 exhibiting companies.

The NIGA trade show now ranks among the top five conventions that Albuquerque hosts.

The National Indian Gaming Association is a non-profit trade association comprised of 184 American Indian nations and other non-voting associate members.



Calendar

EVENTS

April 29th

1Benefit Concert for the Menominee Youth
WHEN: Saturday, April 29th
TIME: 4:00pm to 8:00pm
PLACE: College of Menominee Nation Culture building (in Keshena, right off of Hwy. 29/47)
Featuring the music of Clan Singers, Moonlight, Mike McGee and Wade Fernandez. Admission is only a donation of new or gently used stuffed animals or hand held games for children. Donations will be distributed to local communities to help children in time of crisis. Organized by the student success project "Cuddle Critters."

May 4th

Oneida Relay for Life Kick-Off Meeting
WHEN: Thursday, May 4th, 2006
TIME: Noon to 1:30pm
PLACE: Oneida Room of the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center.
The purpose of this Kick-Off is to recruit teams of 8-15 for the July 28-29th event. Everyone is invited to participate in the fun activities and join in our efforts to raise money for our family members, friends, and neighbors affected by cancer. Contact **920-497-3225** for more info.

May 20th

Mud Drags
WHEN: Saturday, May 20th, 2006
TIME: 8:30 - 11 a.m - Registration. Race begins at Noon
PLACE: Oneida Volunteer Fireman's Grounds
For more information call 869-2371.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at **(920) 869-4280 or 4277** to include events in this section.
All announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Askenette to be honored by Oneida AmVets

The Oneida Amvets request your presence to help recognize Mr. Louis "Oats" Askenette on May 4, 2006 at the River's Bend Supper Club, social time at 6:00 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm.

Oneida Nation Community Members, Veterans, Friends and Employees are invited along with the family and Friends of Louis Askenette. Attendee will be responsible for own meal cost - off the menu.

Master of Ceremonies will be Richie Plass and Vince DeLaRosa

It is with great pleasure that we can take this opportunity to recognize this very special person. Louis has dedicated his life to working with youth of all races as a boxing coach, mentor, role model and friend. He has worked closely with the Oneida Youth and the Soaring Eagle Boxing Club. His efforts have been rewarded in having a positive impact on the lives of the youth he has worked with. Please join us in honoring Louis on this very special occasion.

The Oneida Amvets have a tradition of recognizing community members who have made significant contributions to the Community and Organization. Space is limited so please confirm your attendance early by contacting Jim Martin at 800-261-2163 ext 5302 or his cell phone at 920-562-4880 or Carolyn Miller at 490-3920.

Local

Active CIP Projects – Communication Plans

Submitted by Engineering Department
(Part 1 of II)

The Project information will be communicated to the community and staff as follows:

a. Weekly status reports - Monday 8:30 AM at LBDC conference room (Project Manager)
b. Community Meetings - *(as noted below)* (Project Manager)
c. Quarterly reports in: (Senior Tribal Architect)
 - DRUMS
 - Gaming Gazette (will note which edition of Kalihwisaks report is published in)
 - To Directors and Supervisors via e-mail
 - Kalihwisaks
 - On PCs under Reference Directory
 - On Oneida Website under Oneida Nation News
d. Ground breaking and dedication ceremonies scheduled with the events coordinator (Project Manager / Business Unit Manager)
e. Periodic articles in the Kalihwisaks based upon the specific needs of the project. (Project Manager)
f. Periodic updates at the Business Unit Informational Meetings (Senior Tribal Architect)

All CIP Projects will be developed employing a process of development consisting of four (4) distinct phases, as noted below:

Project Phases:	Phase Titles:	Phase Description:	% of Project:
CIP - 1	CIP Package assembly phase	The Project Team assemblies the specific project information into a package for approval of project.	0 to 25%
CIP - 2	Project Approval phase	The CIP Package is routed to review entities for comment and finally presented to OBC for approval.	26 to 35%
CIP - 3	Design phase	The Architect designs building and prepares documents defining the scope of work for contractors to bid on.	36 to 65%
CIP - 4	Construction phase	The project is bid and constructed.	66 to 100%

Project No.	CIP Request Date	Project Title	Project Manager	Current Project Phase	% of Project completed	Total Project Budget	Scheduled Completion
94-005	8/26/94	Oneida Cultural Center	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	42%	$22,625,000 estimated as of 2005	To be determined by capital campaign
	The facility will provide cultural and history services by establishing a centralized, holistic, research, exhibition, learning, and teaching facility with a non-institutionalized atmosphere, for the use of the Oneida Nation and will become a major tourism attraction for Northeast Wisconsin serving the local, national, and international public.						
Community Meetings:	The project has had four community meetings and will have additional when in the design phase.						
97-001	10/29/96	Oneida Nation Judicial Center	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	5%	To be determined	To be determined
	The facility will provide appropriate court rooms, law library, offices, and support spaces for the Appeals Commission to carry out their mission within the Oneida Judicial System, which protects the self governance and sovereignty of the Oneida Nation.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
98-005	FY98	Assisted Living Facility & New Anna John Nursing Home	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 2	33%	$34,618,000 Estimated	Estimated Substantial Completion: Oct. 2008
	The facility will provide another option in the continuum of care for tribal members. Assisted Living facilities offer a homelike atmosphere with trained professionals who are available to help residents with their daily routines. Nursing homes offer 24-hour a day care for those who can no longer live independently and/or may need specialized care for severe illness or injuries. The proposed facility will also include the congregate meals program which will share kitchen and dining space with the other programs in the building.						
Community Meetings:	One Community meeting was held on Dec. 15, 2005. Additional meetings to be determined.						
21-009	FY01	Wastewater Treatment Facility	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	70%	$7,159,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: Nov. 2006
	The project will create a wastewater treatment facility in central Oneida which will allow us to determine our own sewer service area boundaries (sovereignty), assist in reducing land acquisition costs, maintain affordable sewer utility rates, and will recharge water resources of the reservation.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
23-003	FY03	Administration Building	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	47%	$29,700,000	Project on Hold
	The project will promote operational efficiencies through co-location of business units currently scattered around the reservation. The proposed new building will allow the co-location of all core Tribal governmental and key non-core business units at a site which is convenient to central Oneida. All Tribal government services will be readily available to Tribal members and officials at a single site.						
Community Meetings:	One meeting was held and one additional meeting is planned. Specific date has not been determined.						
23-005	2/24/03	Residential Home Sites (infrastructure only)	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	38%	$900,000	To be determined
	The project is proposed to develop home building sites on Tribal owned parcels for Tribal members to build homes on. The proposed project would be for multiple sites and be phased over a number of years. Sites will be offered to individuals on the DOLM waiting list.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
23-007	9/8/03	Family Fitness Center Elevator Addition	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	99%	$1,557,500	Estimated Substantial Completion: April 2006
	The project will provide ADA accessability to all levels of the Family Fitness Center, relocate check-in area, correct air flow and humidity problems in the pool, create a family locker room, and consolidate staff work areas. The project will address the community's request for access to all levels of the center for members with limited mobility.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned. The Fitness Center will be sending communications to their membership updating them on the project and it's impact on the availability of the facilities during construction.						
23-404	FY03	Main Casino Master Plan	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	20%	To be determined	To be determined
	The current project will define the scope and cost of expanding the overall casino/hotel site into a destination resort facility. The scope will be used in creating a CIP Package for project approval. The project will consolidate the gaming operations onto this site and maximize efficiencies.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
04-005	FY05	SSB Remodeling - Phase IV	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	80%	$1,260,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: June 2006
	The project is a continuation of the upgrading of the building to current building codes and creating operating efficiencies of building systems and spaces. Phase IV will mainly consist of upgrades to and creation of systems to improve building occupant comfort and building functionality.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
04-009	2/27/04	Packerland One Stop	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	68%	$7,796,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: Nov. 2006
	The project is proposed to include a convenience store, restaurant, and casino. The objective is to maximize profits by accommodating the needs of the emerging market of the South Packerland Drive area.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
04-018	5/19/04	West Mason Street Town Houses	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP -3	55%	$1,700,000	To be determined
	The project is proposed to develop between twelve and twenty, two and three bedroom town houses style units as suitable for eventual conversion to condominiums.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						

Oneida Appeals *Quarterly Report*

Initial Review Decisions

Rule 9(D) – Criteria for Acceptance: The Initial Review Body shall accept an appeal for appellate review if one or more of the following elements are sufficiently alleged to exist in the original hearing body decision by the Appellant in the Notice of Appeal:
(1) A violation of constitutional provisions;
(2) The decision is outside the scope of the authority or otherwise unlawful;
(3) The decision is clearly erroneous and is against the weight of the evidence presented at the hearing level;
(4) The decision is arbitrary and/or capricious;
(5) There is exhibited a procedural irregularity which would be considered a harmful error that may have contributed to the final decision, which if the error had not occurred, would have altered the final decision;(6) There is a presentation or introduction of new evidence that was not available at the hearing level which, if available, may have altered the final decision.

To conserve time and space provided, the Oneida Appeals Commission will only put into print the Initial Review Decisions which have been denied. The cases that have been accepted at Initial Review will be published when the final adjudication has been entered.

Initial Review Decisions

Oneida Human Resources Department vs. Estate of Doris Smith. Docket No. 06-AC-002, February 8, 2006. Judicial Officers, Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless and Winnifred Thomas presiding. In this case the original hearing body of the Trial Court failed to provide a written decision in a timely manner as required according to Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 26 (A) Written: Every decision, opinion, and order rendered by the trial court in a case shall be in writing and shall include the findings of fact and conclusions of law. The Appellant was given five (5) days to perfect the filing.

Appellate Court Decisions

Mark R. King vs. Oneida Tribal School Meals/Food Service - Order for Remand to Original Hearing Body. Docket No. 05-AC-017, November 23, 2005. Judicial Officers Winnifred L. Thomas, Mary Adams, Dorothy Ninham, Lois Powless, and Jennifer Webster presiding. Appellant was terminated from the Oneida Tribal School Meals/Food Service for theft of property. The Appellate Court rendered a decision stating there were too many disputed facts related to the termination and denied the Motion for Summary Judgement. The appellant was denied the opportunity to view evidence. Appellant argued that the MOA Panel questioned Respondent then excused her and then called the Appellant. Appellant was not allowed to question his accuser or rebut any of her testimony. Hearing Procedures outlined in the Administrative Procedures Act were not followed. The Appellate Court remanded the case back to a MOA Panel to hold a hearing according to the Administrative Procedures Act. Section X. Contested Cases,§ C.2., outlines the hearing format that shall be followed: a. Grieving party presents case; b. Responding party presents case; c. Grieving party cross questions; d. Responding party cross questions; e. Grieving party rebuttal; f. Responding party rebuttal; g. Original Hearing Body deliberations and findings. The hearing was to be held within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the decision. The court also requested a status report in ten (10) days from the receipt of this decision. On 02/03/06 an agreement had been reached between the parties and a settlement was made. Case closed.

Valerie Bruette vs. Oneida Human Resources, Oneida Backgrounds, Oneida Personnel Commission, Oneida Appeals Commission, & Oneida Business Committee. Docket No. 04-AC-026, February 15, 2006. Pro-Tempt Judicial Officers Linda Cornelius, Wendell Askenette, Robert Miller, Sandra Skenadore, and Kimberly Vele presiding. Ms. Bruette commenced this action after being denied an interview for a position with the Oneida Tribe. This is an appeal of an order of the Oneida Appeals Commission Trial Court dated October 8, 2004. The Appellant, Valerie Bruette, appealed the decision of the Oneida Appeals Commission dismissing her appeal for lack of Subject Matter Jurisdiction. In their decision, the Trial Court found that there was no administrative decision from which there was a proper appeal under the Oneida Tribe's Administrative Procedures Act and that the Appellant failed to properly file an action for a Declaratory Judgement. In the absence of either, the Trial Court ruled that it was without jurisdiction to proceed in the appeal. The Appellate Court affirmed the decision of the Trial Court and the Oneida Personnel Commission's decision not to conduct a hearing.

Trial Court Decisions

Oneida Central Accounting vs. Pam Schroeder. Docket No. 05-TC-181, January 16, 2006. Judicial Officers Leland Wigg-Ninham, Janice L. McLester, and Winnifred L. Thomas presiding. This is a money judgement complaint filed by the Oneida Tribe of Indians, Central Accounting against Pam Schroeder based on her tribal debt owed to the Petitioner. A hearing was conducted at 9:00 A.M. and delayed at the request of the Respondent until 11:00 A.M. After reconvening at 11:15 A.M., the Respondent failed to appear. The court took a ten (10) minute recess and reconvened at 11:30 A.M. and noted for the record that the Respondent still was not present. The court then entered a Default Judgement in favor of the Petitioner in the amount of $805.59

Doris Smith, deceased vs. Oneida HRD Benefits, Crawford Management Services. Docket No. 05-TC-151, February 1, 2006. Judicial Officers Anita Barber, Dorothy Ninham, and Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding. This is an appeal of an alleged claim filed on the behalf of Doris Smith, deceased, by her husband, David Smith, pursuant to the Oneida Worker's Compensation Law, Chapter 13 of the Oneida Tribal Ordinance. The Respondent, Oneida Human Resources Benefits Department, moved for a dismissal of the action. The Trial Court found no evidence that Ms. Smith ever submitted a claim for benefits and dismissed the case without prejudice because the matter was not ripe for adjudication.

Estate of Alice Cornelius. Docket No. 05-TC-152, February 10, 2006. Judicial Officers, Mary Adams, Robert Christjohn, Jennifer Webster. This was a probate matter. The decedent, Alice Cornelius, passed away on October 5, 2004. Decedent's Last Will and Testament designated her home to be transferred to her daughter, Shirley LaFleur and her son, Paul Cornelius. The Will was executed on January 29, 1993, signed and notarized by two witnesses. Since there were no legal objections to decedent's Will, the court ruled the Will stands as uncontested.

Rick Cornelius vs. Oneida Police Commission. Docket No. 05-TC-150, March 6, 2006. Judicial officers Anita Barber, Dorothy Ninham, and Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding. This is a complaint against the Respondent, Oneida Police Commission. Rich Cornelius contested certain aspects of his performance evaluation. The Oneida Police Commission conducted an evaluation on the Police Chief, Rick Cornelius, and based on the score of 28.3, gave the Petitioner a 1.6% merit increase with no bonus. The Petitioner claims that he has been wrongfully denied the proper merit increase and bonus he is eligible to receive and entitled to receive as a result of his satisfactory employee evaluation. The Trial Court held that the Oneida Police Commission had the discretion to award the Petitioner the 1.6% merit increase but did not have the discretion to with hold the bonus. The Petitioner was awarded a bonus in the amount of $393.96 and all other claims by the Petitioner were dismissed.

Oneida Indian Preference Department vs. Oneida Housing Authority & Board. Docket 05-TC-137, March 24, 2006. Judicial Officers, Mary Adams, Robert Christjohn and Dorothy Ninham. The Oneida Preference Department filed a claim against Oneida Housing Authority and Oneida Housing Authority Board for not following the Oneida Preference Ordinance. Prior to the case moving forward, parties reached a settlement agreement and entered a Motion to Dismiss. The court granted the Motion to Dismiss.

Legislative Review

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Greetings!

Now that spring is upon us once again, I hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather we've been experiencing. Planting flowers, tilling gardens, cleaning garages, dusting off golf clubs and fishing are activities spring and summer brings.

As weather gets warmer and school lets out for the summer, there will be hundreds of children in our community ready to engage in a flurry of activity. Little league, tee-ball, summer camps, and swimming are just a few ways our youth will spend their time during the summer. To harness this endless abundance of energy, there are programs specifically geared toward the youth. The Oneida Recreation Department in particular operates a summer program which engages our youth in many different recreational experiences. Another recreational and social program is managed at the Three Sisters Library by Isabel Parker, an employee of the Oneida Housing Authority. I recently had the pleasure of visiting the Three Sisters Library and learning about the activities provided there.

During the school year the Three Sisters Library operates from 12noon to 8:00pm Monday through Friday, and during the summer months (beginning May 1st) from 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday. The program at the Three Sisters Library includes activities such as: parenting classes, a woman's support group (in conjunction with the YWCA), tutoring, arts and crafts, visits to the Anna John Nursing Home and babysitting classes to name a few. These activities are open to the community (both Oneida and non-Oneida). In addition to the "in-house" activities, there are also field trips which include the movies, bowling and swimming (locally), and occasionally field trips out of the area.

Servicing the youth in the Three Sisters/Green Bay areas is a prime responsibility for the library. Isabel however, also works in coordination with the Salvation Army and Family Services in Green Bay and Oneida Social Services to assist families when non-recreational needs arise. Additionally, the Three Sisters Library participates in a local neighborhood watch program, and quarterly meetings are held, where attendees can keep abreast of the most current issues.

Recently most of the fifty rental units in the Three Sisters area have transitioned into elderly homes. This move was necessary to accommodate the rising need for elder units. The Three Sisters area has over one-hundred rental, homeowner and acquisition homes occupied by Oneidas, and the Three Sisters Library plays a valuable role in providing a much needed service to our constituents living in the area. For more information on the Three Sisters Library and the programs offered there, please contact Isabel Parker at 920-498-3340.

My congratulations to the Oneida Housing Authority for providing this valuable program and to Isabel for her dedication to our community.

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Treasurer's Report



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

Greetings,

FY 2006 Budget

The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting.

The second quarter of FY2006 closed at the end of March. The variances for the second quarter will be reported to the Business Committee on May 10, 2006. Overall, the organization is performing better than budget. My office continues to work on revising the report that is presented to the Committee to provide the information that is most needed.

FY 2007 Budget

The FY2007 budget process is underway and information has been communicated to the business units on deadlines for submission. We are following the same format as last year and have a tentative General Tribal Council date of August 26, 2006.

Balanced Scorecard

The organization continues to work progressively on the Balanced Scorecard. The Business Committee approved the National Balanced Scorecard on April 12th, 2006. The National Balanced Scorecard represents the mission, vision and strategic themes. The next steps are the communication and the development of department scorecards.

Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

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Mercie L. Danforth

Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Melinda Danforth

Greetings, Oneida Nation Citizens,

I'd like to take this opportunity for the Nation to reflect upon the history of our Oneida Police Department as it faces some challenging times. Historically speaking, Oneida police have faced significant challenges dating back to 1879 when the new constitution was adopted. In that constitution were provisions which provided for a court system, fines, and laws. During that era, was much unrest amongst Oneidas protesting the change from traditional government of Chiefs to an elected form of government which we operate today. It was decided police were needed to enforce the laws outlined in the Constitution. Ultimately, laws were carried out by both "constables" and police. During that time, offenders were to brought before the court and the more serious crimes were handed over to the U.S. Indian agent for punishment. [Reference "Oneida Indian Police-In the Beginning " presented by Joycelyn Ninham and Susan Daniels]. Over a century later, in the 1970's , Tribal Leaders brought a proposal to General Tribal Council to establish a Tribal Law Enforcement Agency but was ultimately voted down by GTC. It wasn't until the mid 1980's when Oneida Bingo and other tribal enterprises were established on the reservation, which created a demand for law enforcement services. The local agencies could not provide the level of service which Tribal Leaders requested in the form of adequate response time to situations on the reservation. In mid-1985, Oneida Tribal Leaders approached James Danforth, who at that time, was an Outagamie County Sheriff Deputy with a proposal of establishing a tribal law enforcement agency. After careful thought and consideration of being asked to leave his post at Outagamie County, James Danforth accepted the challenge. On November 12, 1985 the Oneida Public Safety Department was first created. From that point on this job required a Chief of Police to virtually build upon something that was non-existent. With our bingo enterprise booming, security officers at the bingo hall became our first tribal officers. That was only the beginning of the many hurdles and obstacles the Chief of Police would have to overcome such as purchasing equipment and buying used vehicles only then being limited to only communicating within the department and not being allowed to be use county radio frequencies. Then came further resistance from both Outagamie and Brown County whom would not recognize Oneida Officers with police powers and jurisdiction over the lands within the original reservation boundaries. The two counties, town governments of Oneida and Hobart along with Green Bay formed a commission to challenge jurisdiction of the Oneida Tribe over the lands included within the boundaries of the reservation as it had been established in the 19th century. The issue was settled when the federal courts ruled in favor that the tribe did have jurisdiction over the lands within the original reservation boundaries and that the jurisdiction is not dependent upon ownership of the land . With that ruling being handed down, slowly the political interference within law enforcement began opening doors despite resistance still coming from within the county governments to enter into agreements with Oneida. Having withstood such turbulent times, in 1988 Oneida entered into dispatching agreement with Brown County. In March 1991, Sheriff Brad Gehring took the lead and moved to deputize Oneida Tribal Officers living in Outagamie County, followed by Sheriff Pieschek deputizing those officers living in Brown County in February 1992. Through the determination and endurance of strong governmental leadership in former Tribal Chairman Purcell Powless and successor Rick Hill, our past leadership stepped up to meet this challenge and exercised our sovereign rights as a Nation.

We are very proud of the accomplishments and great strides taken by the Oneida Police Department. We are most grateful to the individual officers that have taken the oath to protect and serve and place their lives on the line everyday. In order to continually move forward to maintain that highest level of integrity, the Legislative Operating Committee is revisiting our current Law Enforcement Ordinance and bringing forth amendments that better serve the mission and vision of the Oneida Police Department. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact my office at 920-869-4461 or email at mdanforj@oneidanation.org .

Oneida Appeals Commission Update

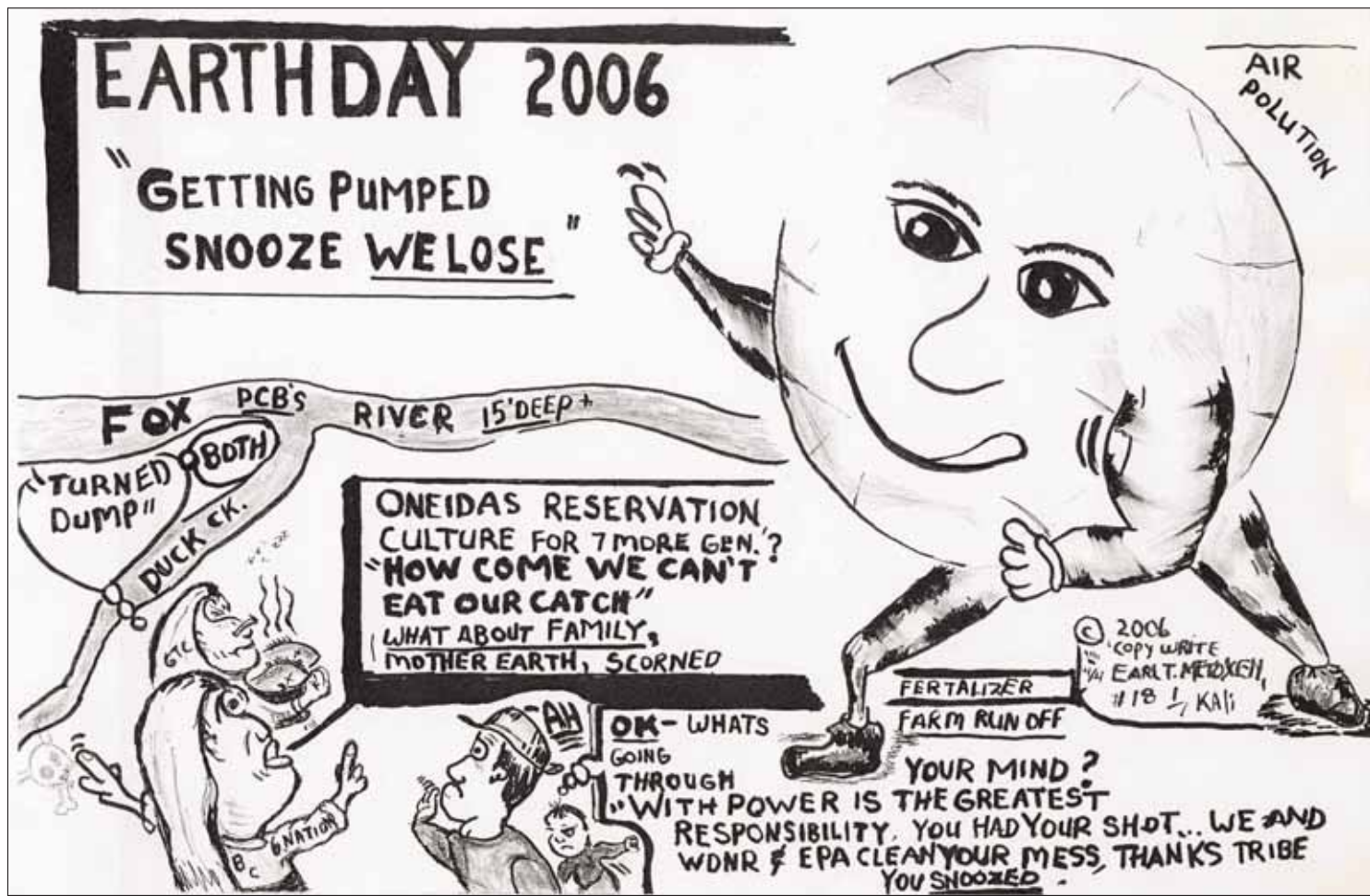
Oneida Nation Reporter now on the Intranet

The Oneida Appeals Commission is proud to announce that our Oneida Nation Reporter is available on the Oneida Intranet for employees. In addition, the Oneida Nation Reporter is available on www.versuslaw.com http://www.tribalcourts.com to better serve our greater community. Versus Law currently charges for access. However, the Oneida Library will be offering access to Versus Law in the near future. Oneida Appeals Commission court opinions are also available free of charge at www.tribal-institute.org along with many other tribal opinions. The Oneida Nation Reporter is a collection of Appeal Commission opinions from the Appellate and Trial Court. Volume 1, begins in 1992 and continues through Volume 9, 2003. Volume 10, 2004 is currently at Oneida Printing and is expected to available by June 2006. Volume 11, 2005 is also near completion.



Meet the Oneida Appeals Commission:
Back Row: Mary Adams, Anita Barber, Leland Wigg-Ninham, Robert Christjohn, Gerald Cornelius, Marjorie Stevens. Front Row: Jennifer Webster, Janice McLester, Winnifred Thomas, Dorothy Ninham, Lois Powless.

Opinions...



Recreation Highlights

THT Baseball season in full swing





Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

The Thunderhawks faced Marinette Catholic Central at Civic Field on Friday evening, April 21st. Oneida gave up twelve runs early in the game, but improved defensively to hold the final score to 14-2.

"We're on a strict learning curve. A lot of talent, we still have to learn how to win." said head coach Gary Lancelle.

Top: Frank Cleary connects for a foul ball. From left to right: Lakwaho McLester, Paul Guiterrez, Derrell Skenandore, Randell Danforth, Sapatis Menomin and Joe Christjohn watch the from the dugout.

2006 Oneida Nation High School baseball and softball schedule

Boys Baseball

Tues., May 2nd - @ Marinette Catholic Central, Peterson Park, 4:00pm/5:30pm DH

Wed., May 3rd - Green Bay East JV, Civic Field, 4:00pm

Fri., May 12th - Living World Lutheran, Civic Field, 4:00pm/5:00pm DH

Mon., May 22nd - Stockbridge, Civic Field, 4:00pm

Girls Softball

Fri. April 28th - @ Coleman, 4:00pm

Tue., May 2nd - @ Marinette Catholic Central, Higley Field, 4:00pm/DH

Thur., May 4th - @ Stockbridge, Fireman Park, 4:00pm

Thurs., May 11th - Living World Lutheran, Civic Field, 4:00/DH.



Oneida Recreation Update

Dartball final results, date set to sign up for T-ball

Submitted by Kyle Casper
Sports & Fitness Specialist
Oneida Recreation Department

The 2006 Oneida Recreation Dartball Season was completed recently with a banquet at the Civic Center. 8 teams competed in the league this season.

Old School was the Regular Season Champion with a 16-5 record. Team members include Tony Skenandore, Judi Skenandore, Brad Skenandore, Bo Skenandore, Tim Ninham, Melody Skenandore, Stevie Skenandore, and Prez King.

The Second place team in the Regular Season as well as the 1st Annual Dartball Tournament Champion was Archie's. Team members include BJ Denny, Leon Webster, Mel Webster, Jeff Webster, Jerome Webster, Karl Webster, Brian Denny, and Clayton Webster.

Other award winners from the banquet were as follows: Most singles - BJ Denny; Most Doubles - Mark Ninham; Most Triples - Jeff Webster; Most Home Runs - DeAnna Stevens; Highest Average - Bo Skenandore; Most Runs Scored - Leon Webster and Mel Webster; Most RBI's - Jeff Webster.

Special Thanks goes to the Amvets and WT Creations for providing food for the banquet.

Recreation Department Now Accepting Summer Baseball Registrations

The Recreation Department is accepting registrations for all summer baseball programs: Tee-ball, Little League, Pony, Babe Ruth, and Men's. All recreation members ages 5 and up are eligible to participate. The following is a breakdown of programs and age requirements:

Tee-ball, ages 5-6: Instructional sessions with scrimmage games, 1 day/week

Pee-wee, ages 6-8: Instructional coach pitch league, 1 day/week

Little League, ages 9-12: Competitive four team in-house league, 2 games/week

Tee-ball - May 26
Pee-wee - May 26
Little League - April 30

Your prompt registration will ensure that you receive the appropriate information and start dates for each league.

We need your help!!!

The recreation department is looking for interested individuals to umpire our youth baseball games. Experience is helpful but not necessary; we will help train you. We need umpires for Little League, Pony and Babe Ruth.

Oneida Recreation Update

Time to sign up for Summer program

Submitted by John Powless III

The recent warm weather can only mean one thing, the Oneida Recreation Summer Program is just around the corner.

- Date: Wednesday, May 24th, 2006
- Location: Civic Center
- Time: 9 AM until filled (registration over the phone is not allowed)
- Fee's: $5.00 Recreation membership, $10.00 Summer Program fee

All Summer Program participants must be members of Oneida Recreation, membership forms can be picked up at the Civic Center or County H.

This year's Summer Program will be formatted a little different. This year we will offer two different sessions of the 5 & 6 year old program, specific session for 7, 8, 9 year olds, and 9, 10, 11 year olds. Please remember you can only sign your child/ren up for one of the 5 & 6 year old sessions.

- **Session 1** (5 & 6 year-old Program)
 Dates: Monday, June 12 to Friday, June 30, 2006
- **Session 1** (7, 8, 9 year-old Program)
 Dates: Monday, June 12 to Friday, June 30, 2006
- Session 2 (5 & 6 year-old Program)
 Dates: Monday, July 17 to Friday, August 4, 2006
- **Session 2** (10, 11, 12 year-old Program)
 Dates: Monday, July 17 to Friday, August 4, 2006

Family Camp/Paddle/ Adventure in Door County

Submitted by Oneida Adventure

Join other families and individuals for 3 days/2 nights of adventure in Door County Wisconsin June 16, 17, 18 at Peninsula State Park.

Discover the adventure and tranquility of this unique area. Oneida staff will provide guided kayak instruction, tours, and a group camp site. Participants will bring their own camping gear and provide for their own meals.

Recreation opportunities are boundless as Peninsula is considered Wisconsin's most complete park. Participants may choose kayak lessons/tours or do their own activities such as bike/hike the many trails in the park, relax at the camp site, or choose to golf at the popular courses in the area. Evenings will bring an opportunity to relax by the fire or participate in an evening sunset kayak tour.

Trip fee(required): $25
Optional Instruction/tours:

- Basic kayak class (optional): June 17, 9–11:30 A.M. $15/person or $30/2 or more
- Kayak tour (optional): June 17, 1– 4:00 P.M. and June 18, 9–11:30 P.M. Free with pre-requisite skills
- There are pre-requisite skills for the kayak tour. You must have taken our intro or basic kayak class in order to join the tours. Participants must know and be comfortable with wet exit and basic paddle strokes.

To inquire about registering and for more information, call: **Kip Miller @ 490-3810** or **Cindy Young @ 490-3863. oneidaadventures.oneidanation.org**

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FAMILY CARNIVAL
June 2-3, 2006
Norbert Hill Center ~ Oneida, WI

Featuring...



Country Music Superstar John Anderson



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SATURDAY JUNE 3

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Saturday Night
following John Anderson

FRIDAY JUNE 2

ONEIDA CASINO

MAIN STAGE

5 - 6 PM
BLUE CATS
Rockin' Blues

6:30 - 8 PM
REPLICA
Rock

8:30 - 10 PM
road trip
Wisconsin's Favorite Rock Band

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FAMILY STAGE

TEEN NIGHT
(two shows)

7 - 8 PM
8:30 - 9:30 PM
RUNNING BLIND
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SATURDAY JUNE 3

Special Appearance by:
NICKEY'S KID SHOW



1 PM
3 PM
4:30 PM
Family Stage

- *Open to the public*
- *Great American & Ethnic Foods*
- *Carnival Games & Rides*
- *Variety of Music*
- *Free Admission & Parking*
- *For more info call 920-869-4340*

ONEIDA CASINO

MAIN STAGE

12 - 1:30 PM
BARBIE AND THE EARTH SHAKERS
Rockin' Blues

2 - 3:30 PM
SHY GUYS
Variety Show Band

4 - 5:30 PM
ANDY'S AUTOMATICS
Honky Tonk

6 - 7:45 PM
PINK HOUSES
Music of John Mellencamp

8:45 - 10:00 PM
Country Music Superstar
JOHN ANDERSON

10 - 11 PM
FIREWORKS SHOW

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FAMILY STAGE

12 noon- 4:00 PM
KARAOKE CONTEST
Age 15 & under
& open Karaoke
Prizes for all participants

5 - 8 PM
KARAOKE CONTEST
Age 16 & older
1st, 2nd & 3rd Place
$$$ Prize Winners

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Strike a pose

By Steve Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation Arts Program recently held it first ever fashion show and design competition at the community room in the Social Services building on Saturday, April 22.

This show and competition were designed to bolster new and artistic blends of contemporary fashion with native culture and design trends. "The goal of this show was two fold. First it was to showcase the incredible talents of our community seamstresses and tailors and second it was a goal to create contemporary wear that teen would find comfortable that still maintain a native flair," says Beth Bashara the Arts Program Director. The event was comprised of two areas of competition, the first being an open entry and the second being a pure design competition consisting of three categories; Sports/School, Dress for Success and Special Attire.

Open Entry Participant winners were; first Place, a wedding outfit designed by Coleen John and Elizabeth Bins, modeled by Coleen and Robin John. Second place, a baptismal gown designed by Connie Doxtator. Best in show was a Fancy Shawl designed by Tina Hensley and Laura Cornelius, modeled by Jasmine Cornelius.

Design Competition winners, Sports/School, first Place designer was Stephanie Ninham with Jasmine Polar modeling. Second place designer was Kim Cornelius with Jessica Nishimoto modeling. In the Dress for Success category, first place designer was Vanny Wheelock with Kemewan Wheelock modeling. Second place designer was

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Strike a pose



-Kali photos/Steve Gandy
Jenna Skenandore (Left) modeling a design by Karen Coffey. Kemewan Wheelock (Below) modeling a design by Vanny Wheelock. Wheelocks attire took first place honors in the dress for success category. Both entrants were competing in the design competition.



Oneida Casino Pavilion Nights on FTP site

Packer Country Tourist Attractions– Not just for Visitors

(Green Bay, WI) – All too often visitors to the area know more about a tourist attraction than the local residents. Packer Country Visitor & Convention Bureau wants to be sure area residents know about the special attractions in the area.

Sales of Passports for the 3rd annual 'Be a Tourist in Your Hometown' program kicked off April 17th. The Passports are available for $10 each and give an entire family admission to eight of the area's tourist attractions during the weekend of **May 13-14, 2006.**

The Passport also contains valuable coupons worth more than $400. The coupons are from a variety of tourist-related businesses and can be used through the end of the year. In addition, special 500 point keywords are also available inside the Passport, as well as on-site during the special event weekend for WIXX Club 101 and Y100 Club Y members. Total Passport value based on a family of four exceeds $500.

"How many times have you heard a conversation where a local resident tells you he or she has never been to a local attraction," said Katie Green, Director of Marketing for the Packer Country Visitor & Convention Bureau. "There's sometimes a tendency for people to forget about some of the wonderful places located right in their own community. The 'Be A Tourist in Your Hometown' promotion is a simple, easy way to help people check out some of these great spots."

The Batter's Box, Bosse's, Comfort Inn, Cub Foods (east & west Green Bay), Exel Inn, Green Bay Botanical Garden, Hazelwood Historic House Museum, M.A.G.I.C. Offices, National Railroad Museum, Packer Country Visitor & Convention Bureau, The Old School, Regency Suites, Super 8, The School House, Tundra Lodge Resort & Waterpark, and von Stiehl Winery.

In addition, the 'Be A Tourist in Your Hometown' program includes prize drawings featuring:

- Tickets to a Green Bay Packers home game at Lambeau Field
- Overnight accommodations and golf at Fox Hills Resort
- Overnight stay and waterpark passes to the Tundra Lodge Resort & Waterpark

"We're excited about the program and the response we've had in the first couple of years," Green said. "We think local residents who visit these area attractions will certainly be impressed and become unofficial ambassadors for these great places within the region."

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What Is It? It's the Masterpiece!



THT photo

This ball of tape represents two years of "free time" work by ONHS senior Travis Dessart-Cornelius. What started as a "small, dice-shaped piece of masking tape" grew into a softball-sized collection of "just about every kind of tape imaginable – scotch tape, mostly electrical tape, even duct tape." The "Masterpiece" has become a sort of symbol to the ONHS class of 2006 and was brought out and modeled by K-win Wheelock Thursday, April 20, as the seniors continued planning for their graduation and class trip.

ONHS records set at Oshkosh meet

by Darrell Skenandore
ONHS junior and Thunderhawk Times second semester editor

The track team went to Oshkosh on April 13 for a track meet. The meet was held at the Titan Stadium. The whole track team didn't go though, due to grades. But the kids that did go did a good job.

The boys relay team set a school record in the 4x200 meter race. In that race the boys finished first. The second relay race was held just five minutes afterward and they were really tired. The boys came in second this time and they missed the school record just by a hair. The record is 51.35 and the relay team got a 51.37. The guys think they could have broke the record if they had run the 4x100 race first. The relay team consisted of Eddie Metoxen, Sean Metoxen, Nick Cantu and myself, Darrell Skenandore.

The throwers did pretty well with Earl Elm and Lakwaho McLester throwing the discus. Lakwaho had an 80 ft. toss, but Earl threw 93 ft. The school record for the discus is 108 ft. thrown by Tehassi Hill in 1997.

Robert "Bobby" Danforth threw the shotput about 21 ft., which is pretty good for a freshmen.

The girl throwers didn't have a good day. Throwing the discus was Neset Vega and Lauren Mills and throwing the shotput was Neset, Lauren and Yasiman Metoxen. In the discus, Neset did not throw well, only getting around the high-40s and Lauren couldn't get her best throw off either only getting around the low 60s. For the shot put, the girls couldn't get a good throw off either, except for Yasiman throwing a 23 ft. The school record is 30 ft.

At this meet there were only two sprinters – Janene Skenandore and Eddie Metoxen. They both sprinted the 100 meter race. Janene is just learning to use the block, so she had a bad start and couldn't catch up. Eddie broke the school record with a time of 12.5, but he did not place at the meet.

We also had two long distance runners – Raeanne Funmaker and Ladonna Parker. They both ran the one mile race and Ladonna ran a 7:15 and Raeanne beat her by about 5 seconds.

We also had about 5 jumpers; Sean Metoxen, Truman Powless, Yuntle McLester, Crystal Metoxen and myself.

The furthest long jump from the boys was myself with a long jump of 16'3 and the record for the boys is 16'6. The furthest long jump for the girls was Yuntle jumping about a 11 ft., which is about 2ft from the record.

The furthest triple jump was Sean jumping about 35 ft. and broke my record (temporarily) which was set last year. I could not get a jump off without scratching except for my last jump, which I jumped way before the line and did not get my best jump off.

Movie Review: Ice Age 2, The Meltdown

By Isaiah Smith
ONHS

Ice Age 2, The Meltdown is hilarious. That squirrel thing chasing the acorn is funny. Whatever position he gets himself into, he tries to get that acorn. While he's trying to get that nut.

Mannie the Wooly Mammoth leads a whole bunch of species to a safe place before the ice melts. The sloth, the funny one out of the group, gets himself into trouble but always gets himself out of it.

The sabertooth tiger is the serious one. He does not take jokes or chances. But if you put the leader, a joker and an up-tight tiger together, you get a three star movie.

As Mannie leads the animals, he thinks he is the last mammoth alive. But then he bumps into Ellie, a mammoth who thinks she is a possum. As they keep telling Ellie that she is mammoth, but she doesn't believe him until she sees her own reflection in a lake.

They split up in their own different ways, but Ellie get stuck when the ice melts and water is chasing them. But Mannie gets her out and the other animals get a big big tree as a boat and they all live.

At the end, the squirrel thing was going to die and be in heaven with all the acorns he wants but the sloth saves him. But all the acorns are gone. So, the squirrel chases the sloth and that is the end. Thanks to the squirrel, I'll give this movie a total of 4 out of 5 stars.

Ice Age 2, The Meltdown is rated PG.

Baseball Team fights low grades

By Joe Christjohn
ONHS junior

This year's baseball season was off to a good start until the second week of practice, when coaches Gary Lancelle and Mark Ninham talked to the team about grades. About half the team had at least one "F" and if we didn't get the grades up, there would be no team

I'm not sure that a lot of the players took them seriously.

We didn't have practice for about a week, while guys worked after school to get caught up on their work.

We're now back at practice. We lost our game last night 10-0, but the team showed some promise having the bases loaded at one point.

We've got another game tonight, so I'm hoping we get our first win. We've battled back from some low grades (well, I didn't have any "Fs") and the rest of the season should be alright.

Thanks OBC!

By Denis Gullickson
Thunderhawk Times advisor

Thanks to the Oneida Business Committee (OBC) for opening their conference room to thirty-seven Oneida Nation High School students for a movie on Thursday, April 13. The students earned the privilege of attending the movie through great school attendance, good third quarter grades, and excellent behavior.

We realize the sounds from the movie may have been a little bit distracting to OBC members and their staffs while they worked that afternoon, so we want to thank you for your patience. This is exactly the kind of support that makes students want to do a good job here at ONHS.

The conference room is a cozy, warm place for such an event. We cleaned up after ourselves and even vacuumed the carpet.

Again, thanks! And a special thanks to Janice Decorah for helping set this up as well as Melinda J. Danforth for her support of ONHS students and staff.

ONHS Academic honors

Highest Honors

Grade 11
Shakira Stevens - 3.906
Eddie Metoxen - 3.857

Grade 10
Robert (Frank) Clary - 4.000
Lauren Mills - 3.953
Deborah Santiago - 3.906
Sean Metoxen - 3.904
Raeanne Funmaker - 3.810

Grade 9
Yuntle?kal McLester - 4.000
Joslin Skenandore - 3.904

High Honors

Grade 11
Crystal Metoxen - 3.763
Yoklot Cornelius - 3.761
Lenita Cornelius - 3.714
Lois Stevens - 3.669
Darrell Skenandore - 3.667

Grade 10
Neset Vega - 3.669
Luanne Funmaker - 3.620
Racheal Ninham - 3.524

Honors

Grade 12
Travis Dessart-Cornelius - 3.429
Scott Lynk - 3.381
Amber Doxtater- 3.000

Grade 11
Amanda Skenandore -3.431
Twyla Danforth - 3.190

Grade 9
Janene Skenandore - 3.477
Garrett Miller - 3.287
Ladonna Parker - 3.286

The Zen of Tetris

By Earl Elm
ONHS Junior

[Tetris is a great computer game. Adults seem to enjoy it as much or more than kids. Here are some tips for playing Tetris from a self-proclaimed Tetris master.]

– When playing Tetris you should always know that you will not get the piece you need.

– Always keep your game under six lines otherwise you will start to mess up. (Now if you're really good, you could probably get out of it and this is where you rack up the points, but I wouldn't recommend you do that.)

– When playing, you have to block everything else out of your head. Focus on the game.

– One more thing, don't get angry with the game or any other games otherwise the game Gods will strike you down and you will not be able to beat another game ever again.

– Don't ever forget this: Be one with the game – not two or three but one.

– Follow these tips and you should be alright.

Teddy Roosevelt - early conservationist President

By Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

Theodore Roosevelt felt very strongly about conservation. He contributed to the world and the nation with steps toward the permanent preservation of some natural resources.

Roosevelt said, "The conservation of natural resources is the fundamental problem. Unless we solve that problem it will avail us little to solve all others."

Roosevelt worked with a chief forester, Gifford Pinchot, to preserve more than 170 million acres of land. Most of it was in the west. Roosevelt also created five national parks, four game refugees, fifty one national bird reservations and the national bird resource.

I think Roosevelt cared about this issue so much because he cared about other people. Also because he believed conservation was a democratic movement, necessary to maintain and to strengthen American democracy. He believed that "vast natural resources as the source of the country's economic wealth and subsequent political strength globally."

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2006 Cosmic Prom
A night of food, music and fun
Saturday, April 29th
Radisson Inn Great Lakes Conference Center
8:00pm to midnight
Tickets: $3 in advance or $5 a couple
$5 per person the night of the dance.
DJ: Duane Walker
After party at the Turtle School
Guests from outside ONHS must be pre-registered with the school office and have a photo ID the night of the dance.

Oneida Nation School
Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities

Presents…

Your CHILD and the **INTERNET:**
What are the **DANGERS?**

Speaker: Special Agent Ray Greco – FBI

Thursday, May 11, 2006
6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

ONES School Library



Refreshments will be Served

Call 869.4646 for more information

Due to the nature of the subject, this presentation is appropriate for **adults only.**

Education

ONES 3rd Qtr. Attendance Recognition

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal, Oneida Nation Elementary

Perfect Attendance

F.A.C.E.
Chayton Mousseau
Kindergarten
Camille Billie, Alex Denny, Odessa Morgan
1st Grade
Michael Robinson, Sadie Wilber, Taliah Frederick
2nd Grade
Travis Stevens
3rd Grade
Shantel VanDyke
4th Grade
Sequoyah Morgan, Maritza Nieto, Shaina Stewart
5th Grade
Diego Metoxen, Matthew Skenandore, James Hebb, Cayman Berg-Morales, David White
6th Grade
Michael Santiago
7th Grade
Jade Doxtater

Excellent Attendance

Kindergarten
Ernesto Amezquita, Jada Sitting Bear, Joseff Cornelius Charles Cornelius, Miguel Hernandez, Thomas Stevens
1st Grade
Marissa Cornelius, Camlynn Batiste, Sonny Nacotee, Clara Denny, Sandra Torres-Mejia, Esaias Bautista, Donald Counard
2nd Grade
Brittney Hill, Dylan Waupekenay, Shantel Wilber, Angalee Powless, Kasey Counard, William Johnson Keanu LaBarge
3rd Grade
Alexander Mangione, Rebecca Brownbull, Ruby John, Dante Thomas
4th Grade
Jesse Stevens, Avery King, Tyler Stevens.
5th Grade
Noelle Metoxen, Sonny Jourdan, Kaylynn Powless
6th Grade
Brandon Andrews, Colleen Cornelius, Bradley Sievers, Damon Danforth, Matias Metoxen, Anthony Cornelius
7th Grade
Donovan Robertson, Edward Santiago, Destinee Counard
8th Grade
Ericka Behringer, Wendel Cornelius, Joshua Smith Maria Metoxen

ONES 3rd Qtr Honor Roll

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal, Oneida Nation Elementary

Honors 3.0-3.49

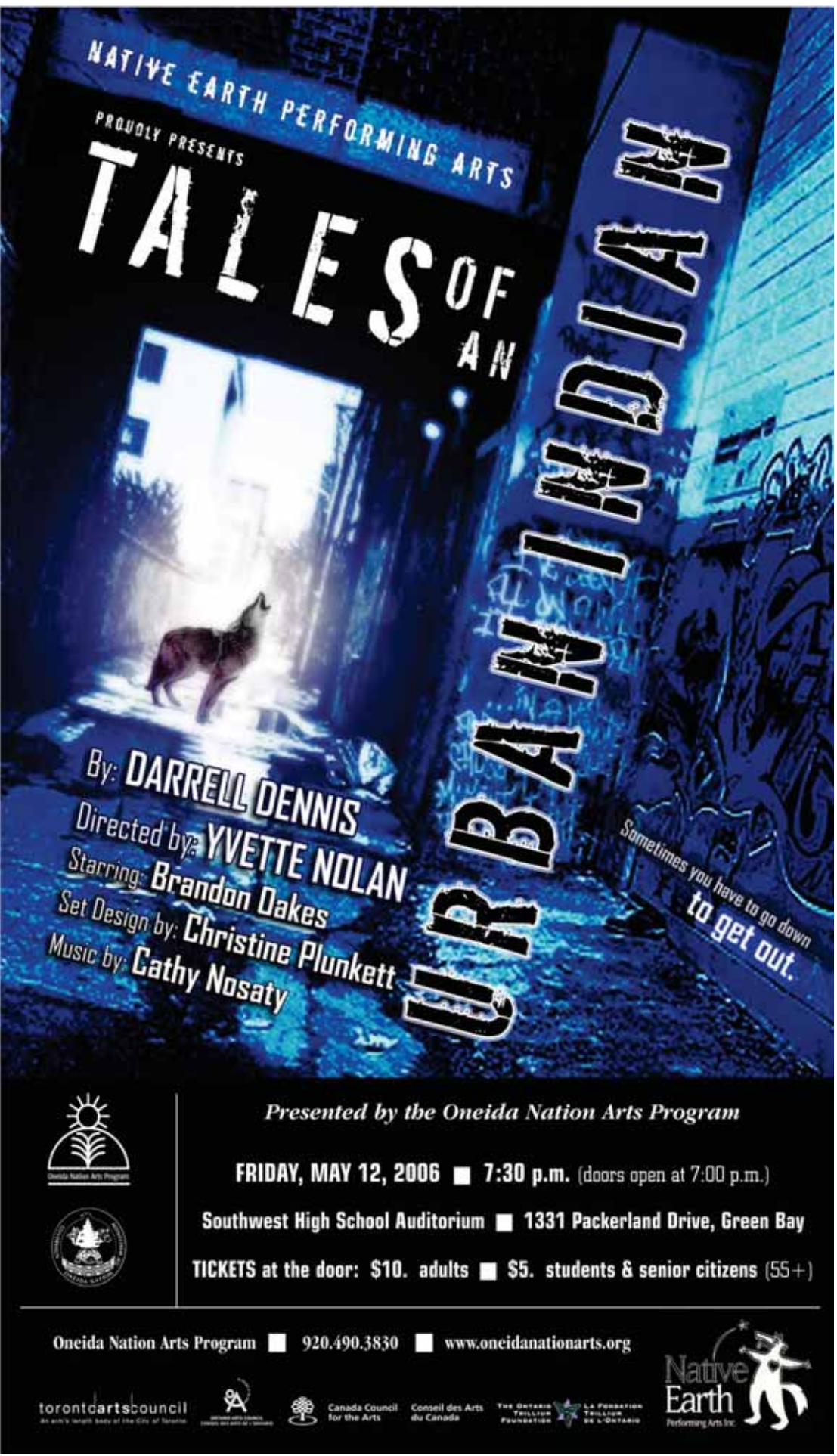
3rd Grade
Dayton Sanapaw - 3.492
Autumn Rain Pocan - 3.334
Ruby John - 3.228
Carleigh Skenandore - 3.123
Alexander Mangione - 3.106
Karissa Cornelius- 3.088
Waupoose
Isis Croston - 3.053
Dante Thomas - 3.001
4th Grade
Muriel King - 3.492
Jairica Christjohn - 3.365
Brandon Joy - 3.317
Maritza Nieto - 3.191
Shy House - 3.158
Sequoyah Morgan - 3.140
McKenna Pyawasit - 3.139
Tyler Stevens - 3.018
5th Grade
Diego Metoxen - 3.457
Noelle Metoxen - 3.445
Izaak Jones - 3.333
Mangione
Eveyonna Ortega - 3.263
Fredrick Miller - 3.123
Timothy Brownbull - 3.105
Jonathan Danforth - 3.088
David White - 3.088
6th Grade
Haley Hill - 3.476
Anthony Cornelius - 3.313
Anna Cornelius - 3.311
7th Grade
Jaylee Godfrey - 3.476
Janace Christjohn - 3.367
Jade Doxtater - 3.265
Lily Smith - 3.262
Maurense Beans - 3.178
Salene LaRock - 3.119
8th Grade
Maria Metoxen - 3.399
Alexandria Redhail - 3.333
Ericka Behringer - 3.179

High Honors 3.5-3.79

3rd Grade
D'Anna Cornelius - 3.720
Byran Halona - 3.719
Yen<stahawise - 3.684
Brooks
Shantel VanDyke - 3.684
4th Grade
Josanna Cornelius- 3.791
Daubon
5th Grade
Aleah Jimenez - 3.754
Carissa Metoxen - 3.614
6th Grade
Michael Santiago - 3.626
Jordan Smith - 3.599
Guadalupe Martinez - 3.534
7th Grade
Shane Skenandore - 3.548
8th Grade
Joshua Smith - 3.621

Highest Honors 3.8-4.0

3rd Grade
Briana Doxtator- 3.895
Akacia Muscavitch - 3.895
4th Grade
Yewanaka>yu - 3.950
Brooks
5th Grade
Cayman Berg - 3.860
Morales



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Maureen Zeise with Lea Zeise modeling. Finally, the Special Attire category first place designer was Judith L. Jourdan with Keshia Belisle modeling. Second place designer was Vanny Wheelock with Mesawn Wheelock modeling. Jourdan and Belisle also took Best in Show honors as well for the design competition.

Judges made these decisions base on five criteria consisting of commercialization, technical proficiency (sewing), degree of difficulty, colors, fabrics and trim, and native influence. Debra Jenny, a judge in the competition and a former lace making teacher had this to say about the competition," It was wonderful, there was a lot of good techniques put into (designs) that could be used today." Other judges involved in the decision making process included, Janice Hirth, Loretta Webster, Kim Siebers and Miss Oneida Katrina Redhail. Redhail said, "I thought (the fashion show) was beautiful and it's about time Oneida does something like this for the youth…things that they're good at."

Students honored with pizza party for good behavior

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal Oneida Nation Elementary

1st–2nd Grade

Makenzie Metoxen, Jade Cornelius-Daubon, Brittney Hill, Synala Smith, Elianna Jimenez, Tessa Stanton, Peyton Reed, Brandon Granquist

3rd–5th Grade

Jonathan Danforth, James Hebb, Matthew Powless, Carissa Metoxen, Noelle Metoxen, Sonny Jourdan, Matthew Skenandore, Timothy Brownbull, Devan Little, Fredrick Miller

6th–8th Grade

Jake Skenandore, Chelsea Jorgenson, Maria Guerra, Alexandria Redhail, Angelina Redhail, Amanda Jamerson

Scholarship

Jaycees of WI

The Jaycees of Wisconsin Foundation is again offering a $500 scholarship to a deserving student. This scholarship was established in 1993 to honor an outstanding Jaycee who died after a courageous battle with cancer. The Denise Bertucci Memorial Scholarship is meant for the nontraditional student–one who is returning to school after a break in formal education.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, having returned to school after at least two years off. Must be a full time continuing student with at least 2 semesters of school completed since returning. Applicant must have a gpa of 3.0, based on a 4.0 scale. Three letters of recommendation must be included in the application packet.

For more information contact the Scholarship Committee at **jcwfscholarship@netscape.net.** Or contact Debbie Van Natta, 2006 Bertucci Scholarship Committee Chairperson, **P O Box 1547, Appleton WI 54912**. Deadline for applications is **June 1 of each year.**

Vote YES on the July 2006 referendum

The Trust & Enrollment Departments work cooperatively, but independently of each other, and will always be linked.

The Trust-Enrollment Committee respectfully requests your support to create 2 committees out of 1 by approving the "development" of a Separation Plan.

The Committee would best serve it's roles, responsibilities and commitment if G.T.C. authorizes two distinct bodies to conduct business on behalf of G.T.C.

Due to growth, Trust & Enrollment duties have become increasingly complex and time consuming.

Each department has unique purposes and mission.

Both Committees will remain autonomous and be under the direct supervision of G.T.C.

Your support in creating 2 out of 1 is the crucial beginning step.

G.T.C. elects people they trust to manage the Trust and Enrollment areas. We would not make a recommendation to G.T.C. unless it was necessary and in the best interest of the Oneida Nation.

Prepared by the Oneida Trust Committee, Trust and Enrollment Departments, Trust Department - 920-490-3935Enrollment Department - 920-869-2083

Writer's Journal

Submitted by Beth Bashara
Oneida Arts Program

The literary journal Yukihika=latuhse> (She Tells Us Stories) announces that submissions are now being accepted for the 2006 issue. Poems, short essays, and short stories will be considered from Native American writers of Wisconsin and elsewhere.

The editors will look at no more than three pieces from each writer. It is preferred that poems and prose be no longer than one page, but slightly longer length will be considered. The deadline for submissions is **May, 12, 2006**.

Submissions should be sent to Yukhika.latuhse?, Oneida Nation Arts Program, PO Box 365, Green Bay, WI 54155-0365.

For further information contact Beth Bashara at **(920)490-3830** or check out our web address at **www.oneidanationarts.org**

Oneida Higher Education Spring College Fair

When: Monday May 1st, 2006
Where: Radisson Inn – Green Bay, WI
Grand Council Ballroom
Time: 10:00a.m. - 3:00p.m.

Purpose: To provide access to school representatives from colleges, universities and other institutions of higher learning.

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Attention... All Graduating 2006 High School Seniors

The Kalihwisaks is preparing to honor all "2006" graduating HIGH SCHOOL Seniors in the **May 25th, 2006** issue of the Kalihwisaks with a special graduation centerfold in full color.

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PHOTOS:
FRIDAY, MAY 5th, 2005
*Any pictures received after the deadline date **may not be included** in the Special Graduation centerfold!

If you would like to be showcased in the Special 'High School Graduate' Section of the Kalihwisaks, please send the following by Friday, May 5th, 2006

- One photo – preferably vertical. Color preferred, black & white is acceptable.
- Include the following with submission:
 - Name of High School you will be graduating from.
 - Parents names.
 - Return address, or if you prefer, a SASE so the photo can be mailed back to you

Send photos to: Yvonne Kaquatosh c/o Kalihwisaks-Graduate Special, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155
For more information, call Yvonne at 1.800.236.2214, ext. 4280 or locally at (920) 869-4280.

Health

Older Americans Month champions choices for independence

America's aging population reached a turning point in 2006. One of the nation's largest generations, the baby boomers, started turning 60. According to Oneida Elderly Services, as many as 78 million people constitute the baby boom generation, and they stand to make an enormous contribution to the rich character and wisdom older adults offer to all of us. "Baby boomers are among the millions of mid-life and older adults who are continuing to redefine how we age," said Florence Petri, Program Director. "We need to be ready for an aging population that's as multifaceted as any in our history."

This May, we will once again celebrate Older Americans Month. This year's theme, Choices for Independence, reflects the continued commitment of the U.S. Administration on Aging (AoA) and Elderly Services to help our nation prepare for a larger aging population, and to bolster the efforts of baby boomers and older adults to achieve healthy aging. Independence for adults as they age relies on a balance of important elements: empowerment in consumer choice; healthy lifestyles that emphasize nutrition, physical activity, prevention, and active participation in one's health care; and access to the tools necessary to make informed decisions. Combined, these elements help all adults maintain the dignity they deserve, providing more opportunities to live longer independently while contributing to communities they cherish.

AoA supports the desire of older adults to live in their own homes and communities for as long as possible. Elderly Services is proud to be a part of this effort. We work knowing that the combination of independence and choice are essential to the pursuit of healthy aging. Our projects cover a range of issues important to older adults, including health care, diet and physical activity, transportation options, and housing. Among current projects is a large-scale effort to modernize the services provided under the Older Americans Act to ensure dynamic, efficient service that stays in step with the changing needs of our older citizens.

Elderly Services is one of many organizations working with AoA to help older Americans remain vibrant in their communities. If you are seeking more information on how to help, or would like information for yourself or someone you care about, please call us at **1-920-869-2448** or **1-800-867-1551.**

History of Older Americans Month

When Older Americans Month was established in 1963, only 17 million living Americans had reached their 65th birthdays. About a third of older Americans lived in poverty and there were few programs to meet their needs. Interest in older Americans and their concerns was growing, however. In April of 1963, President John F. Kennedy's meeting with the National Council of Senior Citizens served as a prelude to designating May as "Senior Citizens Month."

Thanks to President Jimmy Carter's 1980 designation, what was once called Senior Citizens Month, is now called "Older Americans Month," and has become a tradition.

Historically, Older Americans Month has been a time to acknowledge the contributions of past and current older persons to our country, in particular those who defended our country. Every President since JFK has issued a formal proclamation during or before the month of May asking that the entire nation pay tribute in some way to older persons in their communities. Older Americans Month is celebrated across the country through ceremonies, events, fairs and other such activities.

Past Older Americans Month Themes

1978–Older Americans and the Family
1984–Health: Make it Last a Lifetime
1985–Help Yourself to Independence
1986–Plan on Living the Rest of Your Life
1992–Community Action Begins with You: Help Older Americans Help Themselves
1993–No theme selected (proclamation signed on May 25, 1993)
1994–Aging: An Experience of a Lifetime
1995–Aging: Generations of Experience
1996–Aging: A Lifetime Opportunity
1997–Caregiving: Compassion in Action
1998–Living Longer, Growing Stronger in America
1999–Honor the Past, Imagine the Future: Towards a Society for All Ages
2000–In the New Century… The Future is Aging
2001–The Many Faces of Aging
2002–America: "A Community for all Ages"
2003–"What We Do Makes A Difference."
2004–"Aging Well, Living Well"
2005–Celebrate Long-term Living

Whole grains and your health

Submitted by Samia Hamdan
USDA Midwest Region Nutritionist

The new 2005 Dietary Guidelines for Americans now include recommendations to eat at least three servings of whole grains a day. Whole grains are packed with nutrients and can fit very well into a healthy diet. In fact, the nutrients in whole grains have been linked to preventing diabetes, heart disease and some cancers. Eating the recommended amount of whole grains can also help with weight maintenance.

What Is A Whole Grain?

Whole grains contain the entire grain seed, usually known as the kernel. The kernel is made up of three components called the bran, germ and endosperm. When grains are processed or refined most of the bran and some of the germ is removed from the grain. When this processing happens, many healthy components are removed, including dietary fiber, vitamins, minerals, lignans, phytoestrogens, phenolic compounds and phytic acid.

During processing, most refined grains are then enriched, meaning that food manufacturers add nutrients back into the food item, including vitamins and minerals, such as folic acid, thiamin, riboflavin, niacin and iron. This is required by law for most grains. However, not all of the healthy components are added back to refined foods. That why whole grains can be healthier for you.

How to Identify a Whole Grain:

- Look for the word whole or whole grain in the ingredient list. Make sure it the first ingredient on the list. Examples of whole grain ingredients include whole wheat flour and whole corn.
- Be aware that some whole grain foods don't contain the word whole. Examples include rolled oats, oatmeal, graham flour and brown rice. These are all whole grain foods, too.
- Don't be fooled by color! Brown is not an indication of a whole grain. Products, such as bread, can be colored brown and not necessarily be made from whole wheat flour.
- Look for the FDA whole grain health claim on food products*
- These ingredients are not whole grains and don't guarantee a food is whole grain: white flour, wheat flour, de-germinated cornmeal, enriched flour and rice flour.

Avoid Label Confusion:

Food labels can be confusing. Read the fine print. The best indicator is to read the ingredient list or look for the FDA whole grain health claim* on the package.

Look at the following terms, they usually do not reflect foods made mostly from whole grains.

- Contains whole grain
- Made with whole grain
- Made with whole wheat
- Multi-grain
- Pumpernickel
- 100% wheat

What Are Some Examples of Whole Grain Foods?

Examples of whole grain foods include:

- Whole wheat flour** products listing this as the first ingredient
- Whole grain corn
- Oatmeal**
- Popcorn
- Brown rice
- Wild rice
- Whole rye
- Buckwheat
- Bulgur
- Whole grain cereals
- Granola made from whole grains
- Whole grain cereal or granola bars
- Whole grain pancakes, waffles, bagels
- Whole grain muffins
- Whole grain tortillas, taco shells
- Whole grain chips/pretzels
- Whole grain crackers
- Whole grain cookies

Tips to Eat More Whole Grains

Whole grains don't have to be expensive, hard to find, or time consuming to cook. Here are some easy ways to get more whole grains into your daily diet.

- Add whole grain granola to yogurt
- Have popcorn without butter as a snack
- Use whole wheat toast instead of white toast
- Add wild rice or brown rice to soups and casseroles
- Opt for whole corn tortilla chips with salsa for a snack
- Use whole wheat pasta products in place of regular pasta

***These items are available as commodity items.*

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If you are interested in becoming a member of this exciting team, please contact Betsy Galbraith in the Environmental Quality Department at 496-5327.



- Every two seconds, someone in this country needs blood.
- Only 5% of the eligible population give blood. The demand for blood is outpacing the available supply.
- Every day, the Red Cross must collect over 900 blood donations in our region to meet patients' needs.
- Every unit of blood can be separated into several components, helping save the lives of three or more patients.
- All blood types are needed constantly, but there is a special need for O negative, O positive and B negative blood.

ONEIDA
Blood Drive
Friday, May 5th, 2006
8 am – 2 pm
Oneida Family Fitness
2640 West Point Rd.

Call the Oneida Family Fitness Center today for an appointment at…

490-3730

American Red Cross

Environmental

Oneida Nation welcomes biotechnology educator

Submitted by J. Buckley
Special for the Kalihwisaks

On Thursday (April 13), Kathy Frame, Vice President for Educational Programs at the Biotechnology Institute located in Arlington, VA visited the Oneida Nation at the invitation of Vice Chairwoman, Ms Kathy Hughes. The Biotechnology Institute was founded as an independent, national non-profit organization dedicated to education about the present and future impact of biotechnology. Its mission is to engage, excite and educate the public, particularly students and teachers, about biotechnology and its immense potential for solving human health, food and environmental problems.

Ms. Frame shared biotechnology information, resources, and contacts that may benefit the Nation now and in the future and took the opportunity to meet and interact with Oneida leaders to observe first-hand the development of the Nation in healthcare and education, and to learn more about our culture.

Our Chairman Mr. Gerald Danforth, Vice Chairwoman Ms. Kathy Hughes, and Treasurer Ms. Mercie Danforth received Ms. Frame at breakfast to discuss the latest advancements in biotechnology for business opportunities, careers, education, and potential tools that can strengthen and support the science curriculum in our schools. Chairman Danforth asked Ms. Frame to define biotechnology. She explained that biotechnology is the use of organisms for the benefit of man, and that biotechnology was not new, but the tools used in biotechnology today were new. Man has been selecting the best traits of organisms for his benefit for thousands of years, such the white corn of the Oneida nation. White corn is integral to our nation's cultural heritage as part of the creation story and is the foundation of Oneida traditional agriculture. The Oneida have maintained the strongest traits of white corn by selecting seeds for next year's crop from plants that produced high yield and other desirable results. This is the traditional way of biotechnology and the desired traits are not always produced. Ms. Frame explained that today, the tools of biotechnology allow us to select the traits from the chemical DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) that all organisms share. DNA is made up of four building blocks Adenine (A), Thymine (T), Guanine (G), and Cytosine (C). The arrangement of these blocks "spells' out each trait, just as the letters of an alphabet create words with meaning. The arrangement of these molecules provides information for what an organisms traits are.

Ms. Frame met next with the Higher Education team to talk about career opportunities in biotechnology. She stressed the diversity of jobs available and that not only were scientific researchers needed in biotechnology, but also in other field such as law, public relations, communications, forensics, sales, regulation, and quality control. She said an ideal opportunity for students in higher education to learn about the industry was through the Institute's Minority and Indigenous Fellows program. Those accepted in this program are provided with a mentor from industrial companies such as Amgen, Exelixis, Baxter, Syngenta, and other companies for a minimum of a year to find out what the industry is about, to network with the industry, and to observe first-hand the career and further education potential for them in biotechnology.



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Clockwise from left: Kathy Frame, Vice President for Educational Programs at the Biotechnology Institute meets with Oneida Nation School Administrator Sharon Mousseau, science teacher Becky Nutt and principal Robert Ganka.

After meeting with Higher Education, Ms. Frame met with the high school science teacher Ms. Becky Nutt, the Principal Mr. Robert Ganka, and Administrator Ms. Sharon Mousseau. Ms. Nutt took the opportunity to promote the wonderful science projects by the high school students who have placed in ACIS. Ms. Frame encouraged her to have her students participate in the Institute's student research competition the sanofi-aventis International BioGENEius Challenge that recognizes outstanding student research in biotechnology. Ms. Nutt stated that she had participated in a biotechnology program in Madison, but she could not afford the expensive equipment and materials to implement it with her students. Ms. Frame invited her to attend the Institute's 2007 National Biotechnology Teacher-Leader program in Boston. Through the intensive four-day program, participants become part of a national network of leading teachers in biotechnology education who share their expertise, curriculum, ideas, and resources through the Biotechnology Institute. The program is open to elementary school teachers through college professors. Participants receive the experience and knowledge to implement biotech into their curriculum and are provided with resources as well.

Dr. Carol Cornelius joined Ms. Frame and Kathy Hughes for lunch to share her work with white corn. Dr. Cornelius selects seeds of the white corn with the desired seed traits for future planting manually. She also provided Ms. Frame with a brief history of the role of white corn in the Oneida Nation and how it is being retained in our culture.

The last stop of the day was to our health facility to meet Dr. Tim Moreau and to discuss his work in diabetes. Dr. Moreau provided a tour of the facility and discussed the present treatments and education offered to the Oneida. Together, they discussed the role of biotechnology in the challenge to defeat this disease.

Upon leaving Ms. Frame commented on how much she appreciated the opportunity to visit the Oneida Nation. She also commented how welcome she had been made and honored to meet with so many key leaders of the Oneida Nation. She expressed how enlightening and valuable this day was, and how she looked forward to continuing to share with the Oneida a more in-depth understanding of biotechnology and providing resources and opportunities to them. She undoubtedly witnessed first hand the progressive work of the Oneida Nation and the richness of its internal resources.

Tsyunh#kw< Workshops

May 2006…
~ May 4th, 5:00 PM – Planting Tobacco Burning, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

~ May 20th, 5:00 PM – Three Sisters Planting, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

June 2006…
~ June 22nd, 5:00 PM – Red Raspberry Leaf Harvesting, Tsyunh#hkw< farm

~ June 22nd, 5:00 PM – Salve Making, Retail Store, Ridgeview Plaza

July 2006…
~ July 13th – Culinary Creations, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

August 2006…
~ Mid August – Green Corn Harvest and Soup Making-TBA, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

~ August 24th, 5:00 PM – Canning Pickles, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

September 2006…
~ September 21st, 5:00 PM Salsa Making, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

October 2006…
~ October 19th, 5:00 PM – Apple Workshop, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

November 2006…
~ November 2nd, 5:00 PM – White Corn Soup/Bread Making, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

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• Earth Day 2006 •

Saturday
May 13, 2006
Osn&hsa> Lake

Near Cultural Heritage – Hwy. 54 to FF (Hillcrest)



9:00 A.M.– Opening Prayer, light breakfast, pick up bags, gloves and orange vests



11:00 A.M.– Tree Give Away

12:00 Noon– Lunch, Environmental Education Displays, Kanukwathslakelu Garden Tour, Renaming Natural Areas

1:00 P.M.– Wings & Talons Presentation by Dino Tlachac

For more information, please call ERB at (920) 496-5360

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"Developing Native American Owned Businesses & Tribal Enterprises"

An Economic Development & Procurement Workshop

This one-day workshop will focus on providing valuable information and resources to…

Native American Enterprises and Business owners

such as financing options and tribal 8A enterprises.

Hosted by the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin

May 8 & 9, 2006
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Green Bay, Wisconsin

For more information and registration, visit:: **www.oneidanation.org** and click on **Oneida Nation News**

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Rayden Rudolph Makaio Webster



Rayden Rudolph Makaio Webster, newborn son to Sterling and Chantel Webster was born on Tuesday, April 4, 2006 at Hilo Medical Center, in Hilo, Hawaii. Rayden weighed 7 lbs., 10 oz., and measured 20 inches in length. The proud paternal grandparents are Rudolph Webster, Jr., and Diane Moore. The proud maternal grandparents are Matthew and Tiana Kekaualua. Great-grandparents are Rudolph Sr. And Violet (Hill) Webster and David and Bernice (Skenadore) Moore.and Julia Stuteen.

Happy 2nd Birthday

Deved Alexzander Solenos House

We would like to wish our little cowboy an happy birthday on April 30th **(Hugs & Kisses)**



Love Mom & Dad
Auntie Marline
Salisha & Ashley

Congratulations

Sterling & Chantel Webster
Married on March 10, 2006 in Hilo, Hawaii



Parents of the bride are Matthew and Tianna Kekaualua.
Parents of the groom are Rudolph Webster Jr., and Diane Moore.

Congratulations

Seymour Thunder Boys Basketball

These are the six Oneida Tribal members who helped take the Seymour Thunder Basketball Team to first place in the WIAA Division 2 tournaments in Madison, WI on March 18th, 2006. Pictured left to right is: Kahelote Cornelius, Derick Denny, Robert Costello, Mike King, John "Nick" Nicholas and Gabe Vega. Keep up the good work, boys, and maybe next year you can bring home the gold ball once again.
Submitted by Nick's proud Grandmother Carol L. Smith



Somebody knew us



Photo submitted by Barb Skenandore

David Webster has identified these two people as Ida (Webster) Moore and her husband Joel Moore. Ida is Woody Webster's aunt, and she is also a sister to Isaac and Hyson Webster.

Congratulations

JW Shafer

on your April 7, 2006 graduation from the United States Marine Corps basic training. We are very proud of you!



Love Grammi and Grampi (Shirley and John Downs) and family

Oops...

Due to technical difficulties, the two submissions (below) were inadvertently omitted from the April 13th issue of Good News. We apologize for the error.

Congratulations

Tonie Marie Quaintance Protzman

born in New London, Wi., and Oneida Nation descent, will be graduating from the University of Alaska Anchorage, May 7, 2006 with a BA in Justice and a minor in Psychology. She has been accepted to The University of Alaska Ph.D. Program in Clinical-Community Psychology with a Rural Indigenous Emphasis. The program focus includes clinical, community, and cross-cultural psychology with an emphasis on indigenous, Alaska Native, and American Indian psychology.



Happy 7th Birthday

Adrianna Skenandore

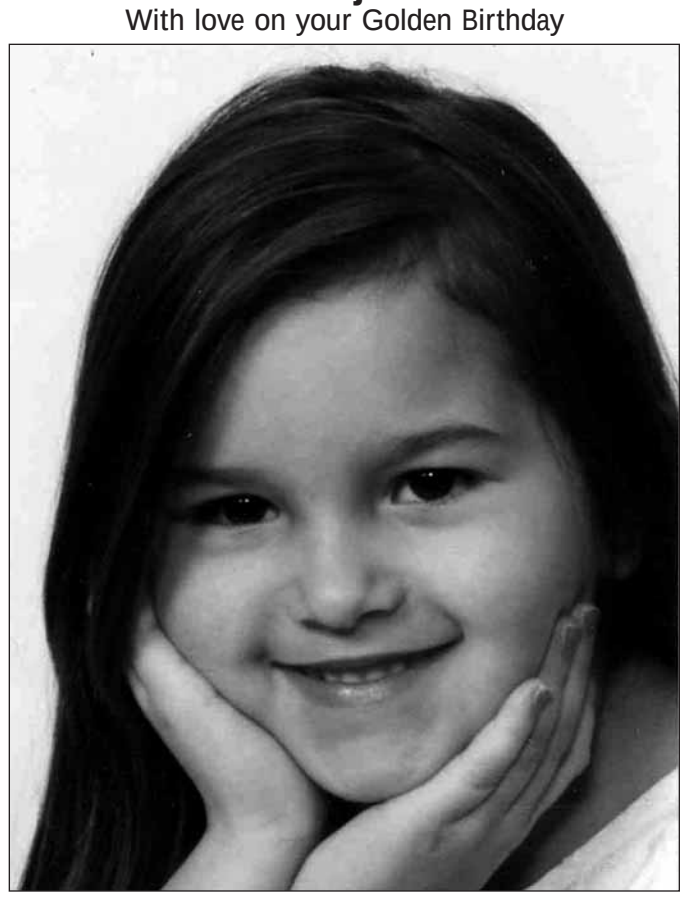
on your Golden Birthday ~ April 7th

Love Daddy, Grandma, Grandpa, Auntie Chan, Auntie Laurie and all your cousins.

Happy 6th Birthday

Deja

With love on your Golden Birthday



From Mom, Grandma Sandi, Grandpa Jerry, Sid, Emma, Gavin, Elise & Family

June 5th is the deadline for submissions

Miss Oneida & Jr. Miss Oneida Pageant



…***which will be held on June 15th!!***

We are looking for ambitious and positive young ladies who want to have fun while representing the Oneida Nation!

Miss Oneida (ages 18-25)
Jr Miss Oneida (ages 13-17)

All participants must:
- be single with no children.
- be an enrolled Oneida or in the process of
- have no misdemeanor or felony convictions
- possess knowledge and understanding of he Oneida culture and history

For more information call:
Tana Aguirre, 869-4239 • Heidi King, 869-1580
Racquel Hill, 869-4388 • Kalene White, 429-3263

Note: Li'l Miss will be selected at the 35th Annual Oneida Pow Wow, Friday, June 30th at approximately 5 P.M.

Great prizes for Miss & Jr Miss Oneida 2005-2006

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Notice of Availability

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
Project Description: The Oneida Tribe is proposing to construct 12 town-house units and related infrastructure, at 2723 W Mason St, on the south side of the frontage road, in Township 24 North, Range 20 East, Section 29, in the City of Green Bay, Brown County, on the Oneida Reservation in Wisconsin.

A draft environmental assessment (EA) has been prepared regarding this proposed action in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The draft EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters.

Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.

Need for Project: The need for housing for tribal members within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Reservation is critical, over 500 applications from members request land leases for home construction. Planned housing sites within the urban areas of Green Bay will help limit urban sprawl.

Alternatives: The preferred alternative is to create a 12 unit town-house development on about 2 acres, develop the necessary infrastructure, roads, utilities, storm water management and landscaping. Two, three, and four unit, two story town homes with attached garages and basements will be constructed. The no-action alternative will leave the site as a small agricultural field and not develop the site for housing.

Comments & Availability: Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents to review. Comments regarding the proposed action may be submitted within 30 days of the date of this NOA. Contact Lisa Miotke at **(920) 496-5353** or write **Oneida Environmental, Health & Safety Division, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 for additional information.**

Board Vacancies

Oneida Audit Committee: One (1) vacancy.
Qualifications: Shall be a member of the Oneida Tribe. Shall not be an employee of the Oneida Tribe. Shall have knowledge, skills and experience of the Tribe. Members shall adhere to all Tribal laws, codes, policies and procedures with the strictest confidentiality. **Deadline date for receipt of Applications of May 1, 2006.**

Oneida Personnel Commission: One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications: Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe. The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two(2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community members. Shall serve a remainder of term ending October 4, 2008. The membership may not be such that a conflict of interest or nepotism is created as defined in these by-laws: A. Nepotism is created by the following relationships: father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, daughter, son father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other. B. conflict of interest is a conflict between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. A or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe. **Deadline date for receipt of Applications of May 1, 2006.**

The Village of Hobart is recruiting for the following Committees. Needed are 5 regular members and 2 alternates. Public Works Committee; Water & Sewer Advisory Committee; Variance Committee; and Parks & Urban Forestry Committee. Please submit letter of interest with qualifications to:
Jackie Mommaerts
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Oneida, WI. 54155
920-869-3815
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Job Opportunities

First Peoples Fund
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Program Officer
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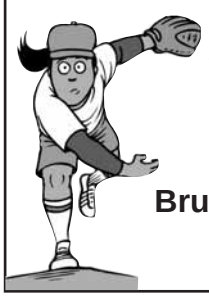
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Midwest mumps outbreak concern local health officials

By Steve Gandy
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The Midwest outbreak of mumps has caused some concern among public health officials at local, state and national levels. The Center for Disease Control has reported at least 20 hospitalizations linked with this outbreak, but fortunately no deaths. According to Michelle Meyers, Interim Community Health Nursing Team Leader, "As of (May 2nd) we have seven confirmed mumps cases in Brown County and zero in Outagamie." Since that time, the totals have risen to eleven in Brown and one in Outagamie.



Kali photo/Steve Gandy

Jane Smith, Administrator of the Anna John Nursing Home, receives a mumps inoculation at the Oneida Community Health Center.

Mumps is described as an acute viral illness caused by the mumps virus. Symptoms of which include fever, headache, muscle aches, fatigue and loss of appetite; followed by a swelling of the salivary glands typically located on the jaw line just below the ears. Severe complications of mumps are rare, but do exist. The mumps virus can be transmitted through direct contact with bodily fluids and infected tissue. The virus replicates in the upper respiratory tract so coughing and sneezing are common transmission paths. A physician can make a mumps diagnosis. Currently there is no treatment for mumps. "Fortunately, it is not a serious disease. People are usually ill for a week or so," says Dr. Julie Gerberding of the CDC in a recent press briefing.

As of May 9, there were 177 confirmed cases of the mumps in Wisconsin, according the Wisconsin Dept. of Health and Family Services, which are believed to be linked to the more than 1500 reported cases in Iowa. There has been speculation regarding the cause of the outbreak to be a problem with the vaccine, but officials are quick to point out there is no evidence to substantiate those claims. "I really want to emphasize that while we are of course investigating the outbreak and we will learn more about the efficacy of the vaccine in this particular setting, we have absolutely no information to suggest that there is any problem with the vaccine," says Gerberding.

In fact, Gerberding and the CDC have narrowed the cause of the outbreak down to a lack of complete coverage of the vaccine. So when the infection is introduced into an environment with incomplete coverage the infection can spread very quickly.

The mumps vaccine became available in 1967 and has since been used.

In Iowa, the majority of the cases are reported to be college-aged people. This is due to the proximity in which college students live and interact with one another. This coupled with the lack of complete vaccine coverage has led to

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Date set for 2006 Election Caucus

The 2006 Election Caucus has been set for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 5, 2006 and will be held in the Business Committee Conference Room, Norbert Hill Center in Oneida.

Election Caucus nominations will be taken at that time for seats on the Oneida Appeals Commission, Oneida Gaming Commission, and the Oneida Land Commission. Following is a breakdown of each Commission vacancy and corresponding term:

Oneida Appeals Commission
Four (4) vacancies:
Three (3) w/ 3-year terms
and
One (1) 1-year remaining term

Oneida Gaming Commission
One (1) vacancy: 5-year term

Oneida Land Commission
Seven (7) vacancies:
Three 3-year terms (3 candidates receiving highest # of votes)
Two 2-year terms (2 candidates receiving next 2 highest # of votes)
Two 1-year terms (2 candidates receiving next 2 highest # of votes)

In the event of a tie vote, a coin toss shall determine which candidate shall serve the longer term.

Any person who is nominated at the Election Caucus must be present to accept/decline the nomination. All other individuals may petition to have their name placed on the 2006 Election Ballot.

All individuals, whether they have been nominated and accepted at the caucus OR petitions for their name to be on the 2006 Election Ballot, will need to complete an Election Packet for each position they seek to be elected in. Application forms will be available at the Caucus or may be picked up at the Tribal Secretary's office.

The deadline for all application forms to be submitted to the Tribal Secretary's office is Monday, June 12, 2006 by 4:30 p.m.

Please see page 9A for the qualifications for the Appeals, Gaming and Land Commission vacant positions.

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Pantry style'n in new Hilfiger threads



By Dawn Walschinski
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Coordinator of the Oneida Food Pantry Gary Smith was happy when he learned that the Tommy Hilfiger Corporation was donating a semi-load of clothing consisting of 20,000 items.

"Now we got a call saying we're going to bring you a truck-and-a-half which is about 30,000 items." he said while taking a break from unloading the 1500 boxes at the Oneida Buildings and Grounds Warehouse on Monday afternoon, May 8th.

The clothing, made up of various sizes for children, women and men, will be given to clients of the Food Pantry first and then to people in need through Social Services and the Health Center.

"It's a Godsend, it really is, so we can help others, that's our goal." said Smith.

Pantry volunteer Craig Gabrial Ninham said the donation came just in time for the summer job season.

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Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Craig Gabrial Ninham, left, helps Gary Smith, right, unload the 1500 boxes of clothing donated by the Tommy Hilfiger Corporation. The clothes will be stored by Seven Generations until it can be distributed.

New Interior office holds first procurement workshop in Oneida

By Dawn Walschinski
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The US Department of the Interior and the Oneida Nation sponsored the first Economic Development and Procurement Workshop at the Radisson Inn May 8-9.

The workshop was the first in a series to create networking opportunities for Native nations in Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota with state, federal and private sector entities seeking to contract with tribal enterprises and Native American owned businesses.

According to Anne Mendoza-Jennings of the Department of the Interior, many companies would start at Step A looking for Native American owned companies to contract with and skip right to Step C, declaring that there weren't any out there.

The new Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development was created to facilitate Step B.

"What I really do well is I'm a liaison. I was a contracting specialist, I sort of look for opportunities and try and make at least the right match to get some of these things going." said Mendoza-Jennings.

The workshop featured educational sessions and the opportunity for one-on-one meetings with federal procurement officers and representatives from state governments, the military and businesses.

The goal is to connect existing tribal enterprises and businesses in the Woodlands Region with wider contracting opportunities such as in construction or agriculture as well as develop new businesses.

"What I plan to do is stay right in this region and for a

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Workshop



Kali photo Dawn Walschinski

Wisconsin Veterans bring in the colors to start the Economic Development and Procurement Workshop.

Recreation Highlights

THT golf on par for excellence



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Left: Senior Scott Lynk swings for the greens at the Brown County Golf Course on May 2nd.

Below: Travis Dessart-Cornelius drives from the first tee. The senior golfer came in fourth with a 48 in this match-up against Coleman and Shiocton. Jonas Hill came in first with a 42.

7th grades enjoy camping at the quarry

Submitted by Oneida Adventure Education

On Tuesday, March 28 the 7th grade Adventure Education Class took part in an overnight camping experience. The students involved in this class experience were Suzy Webster, Jade Doxtater, Jaylee Godfrey, Lily Smith, Adrian Huff, Maurense Beans, and Rethman John. The Oneida Elementary Physical Education and Health teacher, Dale Mueller, helped Kip Miller from the Experiential and Adventures Department with organizing and attending the overnight event. Also, Teresa Holschuh-Sieja and Adam Brown from the Oneida Fitness Center, chaperoned and were a big help in making this a safe and positive learning experience for the kids.

This was the first camping experience for some of the students. They met, gear in hand, at 8am to finish packing their necessary items. Once all the items were stowed, the students were off on the 7th grade Adventure.

A short trip to the Oneida Quarry brought everyone to the camping spot. After setting up the camp area, everyone pitched in to make lunch and share stories. After eating everyone went for a long hike along Duck Creek. The ice was breaking up along the shore so the kids had a great time exploring the surrounding environment. The signs of spring were everywhere and the kids couldn't get enough of the area. After returning back to camp, supper was started. The girls and boys shared the camp duties and everyone ate like royalty. The weather was great and everyone seem to be enjoying themselves. To top off the afternoon, Oakley Arnold from the Oneida Museum came to spend time with the kids sharing some of Oneida's history. Although the kids had much they wanted to explore, they did an outstanding job hearing Oakley's great stories.

Darkness was setting in and it was cooling off quickly. Time to collect some wood! Everyone gathered around the fire, talking and enjoying hand made s'mores. After eating all that sugar, it was time to go for a night hike. The stars were out; what a beautiful spring night! After a short loop around the Tribal land they ended up back at the Quarry. It was time to settle in around the fire where camping adventures were shared along with some ghost stories.

A highlight of the trip was to see the kids really enjoying what camping is all about. Enjoying a fire, nature and spending time with each other without all of the artificial stimulus they experience everyday. As the evening progressed, they started to share a little more. The fire tends to create a certain level of safety and comfort for people. It brings people together as one. They kept adding wood to the fire and they continued to have a lot of energy. Eventually, the kids made their way to the tents to settle in for the evening. It was a little chilly, and there were many different sounds throughout the night.

The boys awoke in the morning and made breakfast while the girls slept in. The next few hours were spent cleaning up and packing the supplies. The students spent a little more time by the Quarry before getting on the bus. It was an enjoyable experience and the kids stated they would like to do a longer trip up north. Hopefully these kinds of adventures can continue in the future for the Oneida students.

A special thank you goes out to all those involved in making this trip possible for these students. For more information, contact Kip Miller **490-3810**



Photo courtesy of Kip Miller

Lilly Smith and Suzy Webster scramble down the embankment near the Duck Creek.

2006 Oneida Nation Junior Golf Registration

Submitted by Conrad K. King

Golf Program Registration will be held at the Recreation Civic Center on Wednesday, May 24, 2006. This will be on the same day as the Oneida Recreation Summer Program registration.

This year will consist of three groups, each consisting of different ages and dates. Our goal is to make our program more age appropriate while also reaching out to our younger golfers. The breakdown is as follows.

Ages 6 - 8: Pee Wee golf will be for one week starting on Monday, July 10, 2006 ending Thursday, July 13, 2006. Each class will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 12:00 noon.

Ages 9 - 12: Jr. Golfers will last two weeks beginning Monday, July 24, 2006 ending August 3, 2006. Each class will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 12:00 noon.

Ages 13 - 18: Intermediate Golfers will last for two weeks beginning Monday, August 7, 2006 ending Thursday, August 17, 2006. Each class will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 12:00 noon.

Each individual is responsible for their own transportation to and from Hidden Valley Driving Range. All transportation outside of Hidden Valley will be provided by Oneida Recreation.

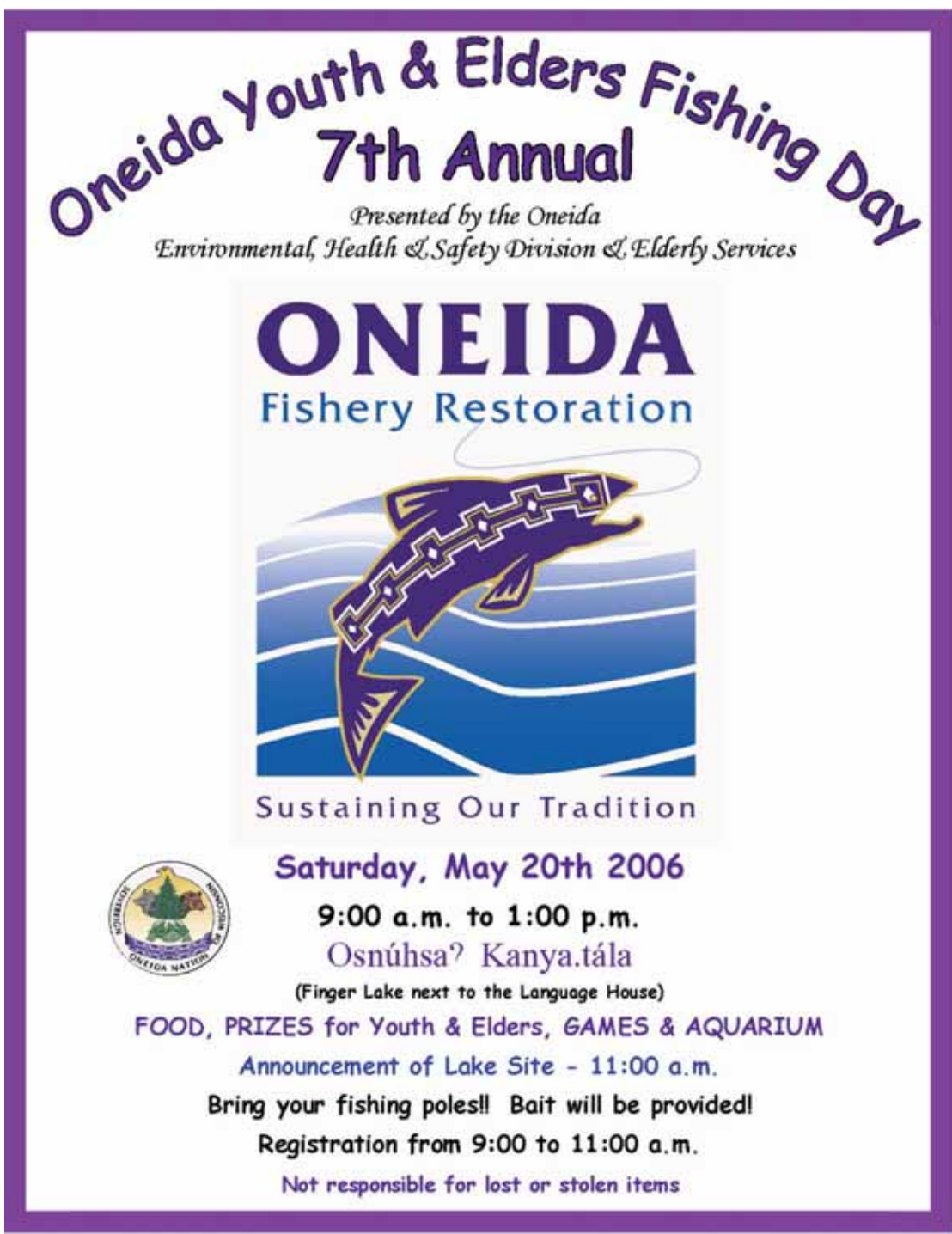
The cost will be $10.00 for each participant. The first 20 paid registrations in each category will be accepted. After 20 registrations, we will begin a waiting list. If you have any questions, please contact **Conrad K. King at 920 869-1088. Thank you**

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I would like to express my gratitude for your support in sponsoring myself in the First Nations Golf Association Tour at the Paiute golf course in Las Vegas Nevada. Your contributions made it possible for me to compete with the best Native American golf professionals across the United States and Canada. For your contribution, I look forward to working with the AMVETS in teaching some golf lessons over the summer.

Truly,
Conrad K. King





Local

Indigenous Language workshop held in Oneida



Kali Photo/Steve Gandy
Tribal Chairman Gerald Danforth addresses participants prior to the beginning of the Indigenous Language Institute workshops.

By Steve Gandy
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The Oneida Nation recently teamed up with the Indigenous Language Institute and IBM to put on a three day workshop from April 27th - 29th. The workshop, held at the Oneida Nation Community Center, focused on storytelling with technology by combining indigenous text and images. The ILI instructors provided a hands-on environment to teach the skills needed to create various media including story books, newsletters, and calenders. The workshop also provided real life skills, needed by Native language educators and speakers, with Unicode, Microsoft software and digital hardware.

The goal of this workshop was to give Native peoples the tools needed to create documents and other media in their native language. The ILI instructors played host to sum 48 persons from the Oneida Nation as well from around the United States with the furthest coming from as far as Omaha, Nebraska.

Tribal Chairman, Gerald Danforth, opened the event by saying, "I know there are many critical spokes in the wheel that keep our languages alive and I know that's not an easy task." One of those spokes is the ILI. ILI President, Gerald Hill, said in the February 2006 ILI Newsletter, "Using one's language seems to be an idea whose time has come considering that the ILI technical workshops have been a resounding success with the participants and have produced unexpected results that are virtually immediately usable at home."

The idea of using one's own language is driven home in this workshops which, unlike most technical workshops, focuses on the tools and skills needed to avoid long and tedious use of conventional ways of creating media and documents. Providing the tools needed to avoid memorizing alt-codes or picking out native letters from character maps as well as creating keyboarding software is of great importance when it comes to saving time. As one participant said, "I never even knew this kind of stuff was possible without going through font and character sheets...it sure does save time."

According to the ILI website at www.indigenous-language.org:

ILI was founded as the Institute for the Preservation of the Original Languages of the Americas (IPOLA) by Joanna Hess in September 1992 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. ILI has a Board of Directors whose members are majority Native American.

If you would like more information regarding the ILI you can contact them by phone at (505) 820-0311 or by e-mail at ili@indigenous-language.org

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couple months afterwards to make sure we really pull it together. This is the very first day of what will probably be ongoing for the next two months, then what we will be doing is putting pen to the paper." said Mendoza-Jennings.

The workshop concentrated on midwestern contacts close to the Woodlands Tribes.

"I'm trying to put together a more closely knit and comprehensive group," said Mendoza-Jennings.

Approximately 80 people attended the workshop to learn more for their tribe, their employer or themselves.

"I just want to find out a little bit more information about what is available through the Small Business Administration." said Oneida Artist and owner of a small business Judy Jourdan.

Coleman Engineering Planning Intern for the Forest County Potawatomi Patricia Pete enjoyed the "bottom up" concept.

"It's like grass roots that we have to pull from people, like what kind of nation do you want to build? Do you want small factory jobs here and so forth, because it's the types of jobs that are going to keep people where they live." said Pete.

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Oneida Police Join New "In Case of Emergency (ICE)"

The Oneida Police Department has become involved in a new initiative that was developed by the Brown County Traffic Safety Commission (BCTSC) and AAA Wisconsin. The program is called "In Case of Emergency" (ICE). It is intended to assist law enforcement and medical personnel during a traffic crash or other emergency situation to get immediate medical attention and notify loved ones. Many times these actions could be delayed because law enforcement or other emergency response personnel cannot quickly identify the victim's emergency contacts.

"We are urging all motorists to program their cell phones with their ICE contacts," Interim Assistant Chief of Police, Rich Van Boxtel said. "In the "Contact" section of the cell phone, simply list who you wish contacted in an emergency as ICE."

In the case that the cell phone is damaged during the crash, there are ICE cards available from the Oneida Police Department, other law enforcement agencies in Brown County, or at the AAA offices in Green Bay. These cards are free of charge and ask for the emergency contact name and phone number(s). The cards are to be kept on the visor, center console, or the glove box so the emergency responders can locate the information quickly.

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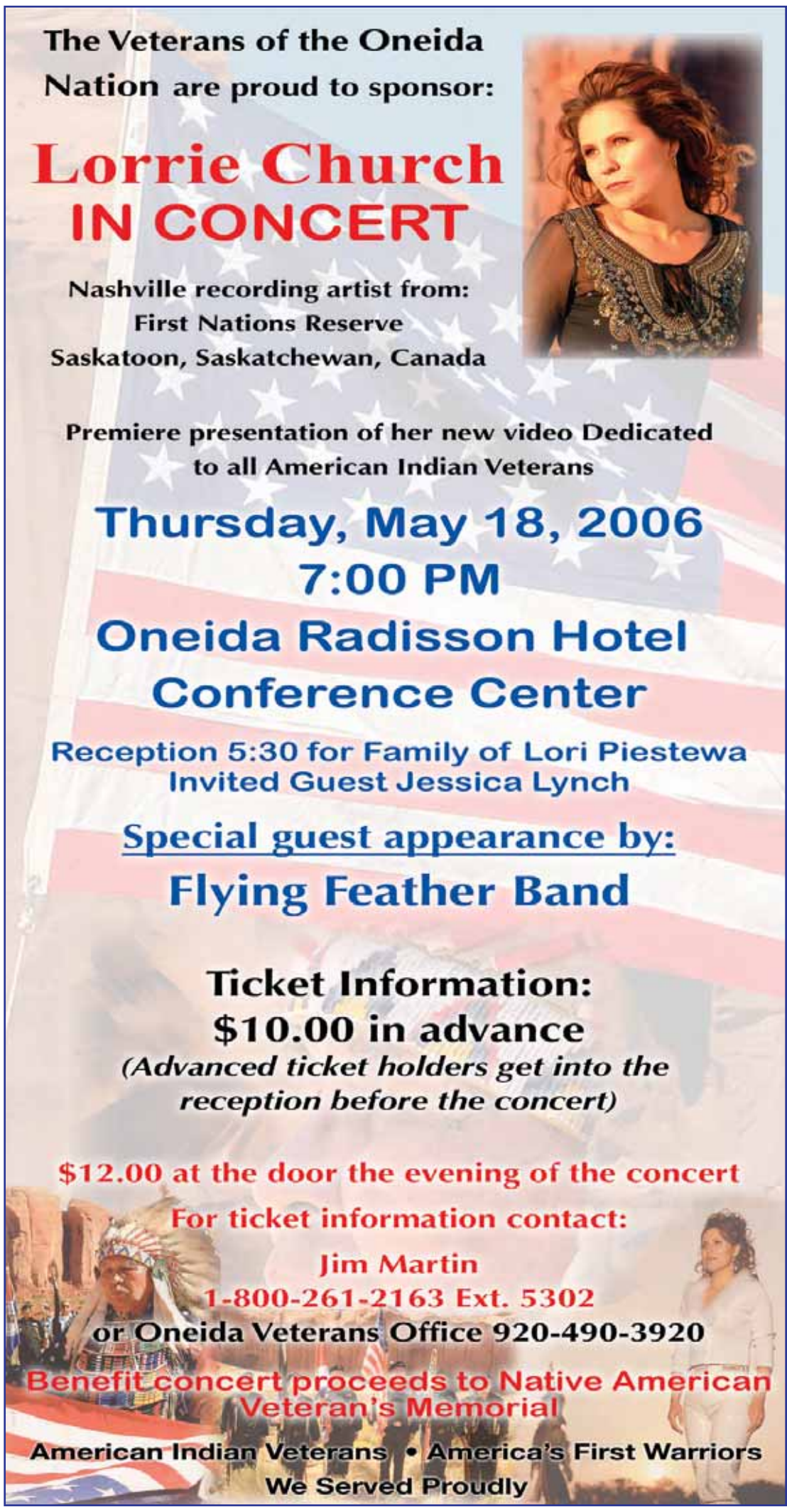
"A lot of kids, they're just starting to work, and they can't afford clothes when they go to look for a job or clothes on the job." he said.

The massive clothing donation was arranged by Oneida Nation member Dr. Norbert Hill, Jr., who has a friend at the Tommy Hilfiger corporate headquarters.

"They're very generous," said Dr. Hill who has worked with Hilfiger's foundation for sponsorship of American Indian Graduate Center activities.

People who are in need of clothing or other aid may contact Gary Smith at 920-869-1041, ext 13 to learn about income requirements for help.

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Local

Passing On

Summers, Donald

June 5, 1946 – April 26, 2006



Donald "F.B.I." Summers, 59, Green Bay passed away Wednesday, April 26, 2006 at his home. He was born June 5, 1946 to the late Austin Sr. & Margaret Summers. Don retired from Schreiber Cheese in 2003. He recently had worked at Venture Logistics.

Don is survived by his sons; Devin and Colin, his three special grandchildren, his siblings; James Summers, Austin Summers Jr., and Loretta Skenandore. His special friends; Laurie Lambert, Gerry and Debbie Balli, numerous nieces, nephews, and friends also survive him.

He was preceded in death by his brothers; Philmon, Edward, and Gilbert.

Services were held Monday, May 1, 2006 at the Oneida United Methodist Church. Rev. Julio A. Alvarado officiated with burial in the church cemetery.

Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please go to www.ryanfh.com to express online condolences to the Summers family.

Peterson, Georgia Tina

July 11, 1941 – April 13, 2006



Georgia Tina Peterson, loving mother to Tony & Jennifer Peterson born July 11, 1941 passed away peacefully on April 13, 2006 at her new home in Lake Tahoe, California.

Georgia was a wonderful spirit and her dreams of returning to California were fulfilled when she moved in with her son, Tony in March of 2006 after being diagnosed with cancer in September of 2005.

Georgia is survived by her two children, Tony & Jennifer, her mother Ann Spiegel, brothers Stan "Ritchie" Webster and Ronald Webster, sisters Barbara Isham, Shirley Bennett, Joan Jones & Debbie Armstrong, former husband James Peterson, brother in law's Mike Bennett and Jimmy Gonzales, sister in law Loretta Webster as well as several nieces and nephews.

Her father Walter Webster, sister Carol Gonzales, nieces Laurel Bennett & Terri Isham and her nephew Danny Webster, preceded Georgia in death.

Georgia was an active volunteer for the Red Cross and local organizations in Green Bay, Wisconsin. She, at one time, was the proud owner of her own business, Oneida Information Systems. Georgia contributed to her heritage by working for the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin for several years.

Georgia had an Associates degree in Marketing and by far, her greatest accomplishment was graduating in 2001 with a Bachelors degree in Business. At the time of her passing, she was in the process of obtaining her Masters, her ultimate goal.

Aside from obtaining her Masters, Georgia looked forward to a future filled with grand children and a home by the ocean. Those who love her will miss her loving, charismatic, and gentle nature.

Denny, Isabelle M.

February 11, 1924 – April 25, 2006

Isabelle M. Denny, 82, Green Bay, died on Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at San Luis Rehabilitation Center. She was born Feb. 11, 1924, in Oneida to the late William and Marie (House) Denny. Isabelle retired from Gagnon Clay Products as an administrative assistant after many years of service. She volunteered at area hospitals after her retirement. She was a member of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church in Oneida and a devoted Christian. Isabelle enjoyed traveling, reading and working in her flower beds. She was an avid Packer fan. Isabelle loved her daily walks until her recent illness. She was actively interested in both local and national politics.

Isabelle's ready smile and active discussions will be sadly missed by her surviving cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Leroy Denny.

Funeral services were held at Shrine of the Good Shepherd Mausoleum Chapel, 2770 Bay Settlement, Green Bay, on Friday, April 28, 2006. Reverend Dewey Silas and the Reverend Edmund Powless officiated with entombment in Shrine of the Good Shepherd Mausoleum.

The family would like to express their thanks to San Luis Rehabilitation Center for their loving care of Isabelle during her six-month illness. She considered many of the San Luis staff and patients as her special friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, 2937 Freedom Road, Oneida, WI.

Cornelius, Frances V.

June 11, 1921 – April 19, 2006

Frances V. Cornelius, (nee Adams), 84, died Wednesday, April 19, 2006, in Milwaukee following a short battle with cancer. The daughter of the late Samuel and Viola (nee Archiquette). Frances was born in Oneida on June 11, 1921.

Survivors include two daughters, Charlotte (Michael) Cieszki, Milwaukee; and Ellen Cornelius, Oneida; three grandchildren, Eric (Christina) and Shelley Cieszki, and Carlos "Chuckie" Cornelius-Gonzalez; and four great-grandchildren, Kirsten, Ashley, Elena, and Eric Cieszki Jr.

Frances was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Rupert Adams; one sister, Nathalie Adams; her husband, Arnold; and one son, Thomas.

A memorial service was held on Sunday, April 30, 2006, at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Oneida with Rev. Dewey Silas officiating.

Frey, Margaret Boone

April 7, 1912 - March 26, 2006



Margaret Boone Frey, 93, long-time Chickasha, Oklahoma, farm wife and widow, family matriarch and church volunteer, died Sunday, March 26, 2006, at her home. Services were held, March 30th under the direction of Holy Name Catholic Church with interment alongside her husband, Raymond at Rose Hill Cemetery in Chickasha.

Margaret was born, April 7, 1912, in one of the staff houses at the Osage Indian Agency in Pawhuska, Oklahoma, where both parents worked. She was the oldest of three children of Malinda House Boone, (Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin) and Walker Lane Boone, (Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma) Harrisonville, Missouri, a distant nephew of frontier explorer Daniel Boone.

She was preceded in death by her parents Walker Lane and Malinda (House) Boone; husband, Raymond; brother, Walker Lee Boone; daughter, Oneita Beth Peters.

She attended Oklahoma College for Women (OCW) and as a student held offices in several organizations, student government and was chosen the first Te Ata Indian Princess. She earned a degree in business and married Raymond Joseph Frey on her graduation day, June 1, 1933. After graduation she was a supporting alumni for over 70 years.

Margaret and Raymond lived on and operated four different farms west of Chickasha for 27 years until Raymond's death in 1960. She then moved to her historic house just east of her beloved University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma (USAO), where she resided for 45 years until her death.

Following her husband's death she was a proof reader for The Chickasha Daily Express. She then worked many years in the Dean's Office of the Oklahoma College for Women and Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts, and also the First National Bank and Trust Company where she retired in 1982.

She held a life membership in the USAO Alumni and Former Student Association. She was a member of the American Association of University Women, Catholic Daughter of America, the Catholic Women's Activities and the National Council of Catholic Women. She was a member of the Oklahoma Archdiocesan (State) Board for eight years. In 1951, she began working as a volunteer sacristan at Holy Name Catholic Church, when the women of the parish assumed the altar duties from the Franciscan Sisters. In 1957 she was awarded the Pro Ecclesis at Pontifice Medal by Pope Pius XII.

Margaret was also active in the Oklahoma Farm Bureau, Grady County Historical Society, the Southern Plains Indian Museum in Andarko, Oklahoma. She and her husband were charter members of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

She is survived by four children: Dr. Joe Boone (Karen), San Antonio, TX; Ramona Monroe, RN, Portland, OR; Phillip (Kay) Frey, Oklahoma City, OK; Mary Frey Fowler, Shawnee, OK; sister, Dorothy Boone Botts, Tulsa, OK; sister-in-law, Pauline Frey, Chickasha, OK.

She is also survived by 13 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to your favorite charity or Holy Name Catholic Church, 210 South 7th Street, Chickasha, OK 73018.

Caretakers Corner

The Division of Land Management is hosting their Eleventh Annual Open House on May 24-May 25, 2006 from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. The drawings for the raffles will start at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 25th.

Wednesday, May 24th, we will have our famous Indian tacos and Thursday, May 25th we will be having chili and fry bread.

We have raffle tickets for sale. They are $1.00 each or 6 for $5.00. Every staff member has tickets available. Please contact any employee of the Division of Land Management.

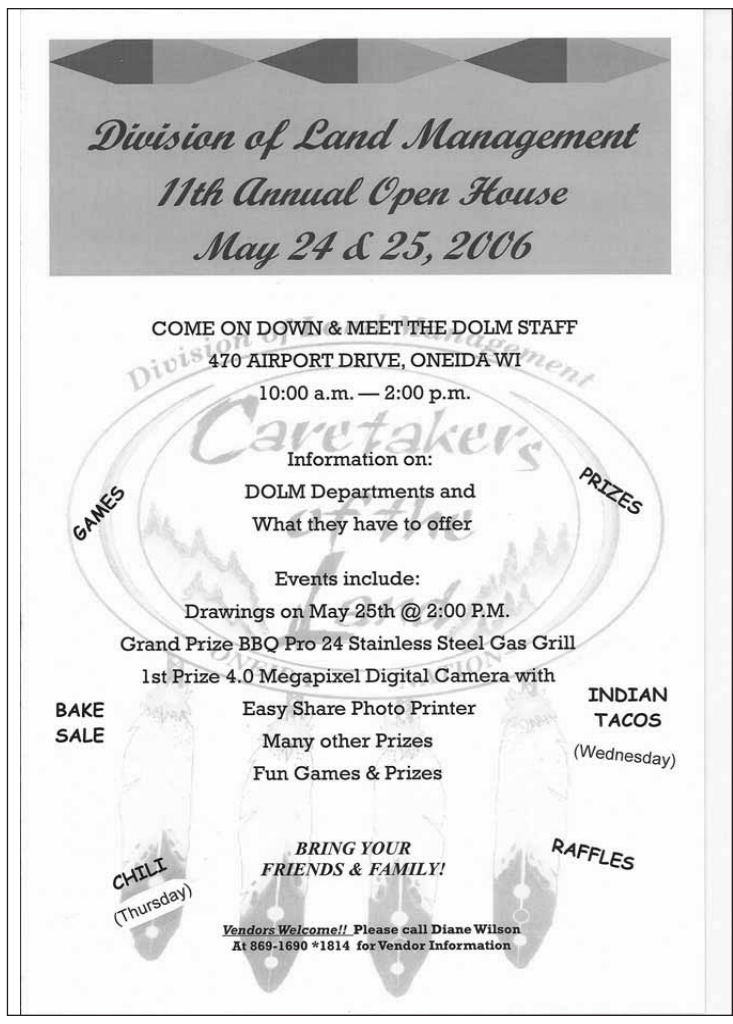
This year our grand prize is a gas grill and first prize is a digital camera with a printer. We will have games and a golf game this year! We have several gifts and prizes for the games too.

The Land Commission has completed its revision of the Loan Guidelines. Land Management is glad to announce that our office will be accepting applications for the following loan programs, effective immediately:

- Veteran's TLC Loans.
- Veteran's THRIL Loans.
- Loans for purchasing a new DREAM Home.
- Loans for purchasing an existing DREAM home.
- Emergency loans to address the death of the DREAM home owner.
- Emergency loans to address the divorce of a DREAM home owner.

All loan approvals are dependent on available funds.

Unfortunately, we do not offer refinancing or equity loans. For these types of loans we refer you to Bay Bank at (920) 490-7600. Bay Bank has a number of purchasing programs, along with other banks within the community. If you are on leased fee or leased trust land or individual trust land, you will need to follow the proper Assignment of Lease and BIA approval process. Please contact the Finance Department at (920) 869-1690 for more information.



Episcopal burial process

Recently, the church adopted a policy on its burial processes in the Holy Apostles Church Cemetery. This policy was drafted by the Holy Apostles Cemetery Committee and adopted by the church vestry in consideration for the potential lack of burial space in the cemetery. Th policy has been shared with the local funeral homes.

This announcement is intended to help you when you need to make burial arrangements in the Holy Apostles Church Cemetery.

We have new price listing to help you when you need to make burial arrangements. Pricing information can be found in the Burial Procedures brochure located at the back of the church or by calling the church office at: (920) 869-2565.

When contact is made, the funeral home or the church will ask for the main contact and if the deceased is a member of the Holy Apostles Church.

The church membership criteria includes attending church regularly, providing support through pledging and other offerings to the Holy Apostles Episcopal Church.

Thank you,
The Holy Apostles Episcopal Church Vestry

In Loving Memory of my Love…

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May 1st will be one year since you've left us. We all miss you. I miss you very much.

I remember all the things we did together. I remember your laughter, your smile and most of all your love. Three little words that mean so much to us. I remember where and when we said it to each other. It was in Wausau, Wisconsin at the pow-wow.

Those three little words had such an impact on our relationship,
because we both knew the meaning of it.

We said it to each other the night before you left us. I remember you asking me if I would do a few things for you after you are gone.
I remember we kissed each other and said those three words for the last time.
Today my love I'll say those three words to you, only I'll add one more word to it…

I still Love You!
Matt and Delila

In Loving Memory of my Mother

M ary A nn W aterloo

who left us one year ago, May 1, 2005



We do not need a special day
To bring you to our minds…

The day we do not think of you
Is very hard to find.
They say time heals all sorrow
And helps us to forget…

But time has only proved so far
how much we miss you yet.
God gave us strength to bear it
and courage to take the blow
But what it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know.

I miss and love you very much.
I didn't know how hard it would be without you.
You were not only my mother, you were my Best Friend, someone I could share everything with.
Mom, I know you're in no pain anymore, so that is the only thing I'm grateful for.
'Til we meet again, and I know we will.

Love you lots,
Theresa Mae

Local

Active CIP Projects – Communication Plans

Submitted by Engineering Department
(Part II of II)

ACTIVE CIP PROJECTS - Communication Plans
Submitted by: Engineering Department — April 11, 2006

The Project information will be communicated to the community and staff as follows:

a. Weekly status reports - Monday 8:30 AM at LBDC conference room (Project Manager)
b. Community Meetings - *(as noted below)* (Project Manager)
c. Quarterly reports in: (Senior Tribal Architect)
 - DRUMS
 - Gaming Gazette (will note which edition of Kalihwisaks report is published in)
 - To Directors and Supervisors via e-mail
 - Kalihwisaks
 - On PCs under Reference Directory
 - On Oneida Website under Oneida Nation News
d. Ground breaking and dedication ceremonies scheduled with the events coordinator (Project Manager / Business Unit Manager)
e. Periodic articles in the Kalihwisaks based upon the specific needs of the project. (Project Manager)
f. Periodic updates at the Business Unit Informational Meetings (Senior Tribal Architect)

All CIP Projects will be developed employing a process of development consisting of four (4) distinct phases, as noted below:

Project Phases:	Phase Titles:	Phase Description:	% of Project:
CIP - 1	CIP Package assembly phase	The Project Team assemblies the specific project information into a package for approval of project.	0 to 25%
CIP - 2	Project Approval phase	The CIP Package is routed to review entities for comment and finally presented to OBC for approval.	26 to 35%
CIP - 3	Design phase	The Architect designs building and prepares documents defining the scope of work for contractors to bid on.	36 to 65%
CIP - 4	Construction phase	The project is bid and constructed.	66 to 100%

04-022	7/23/04	Oneida Public Transit Garage	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	36%	$5,600,000	To be determined, contingent upon grant funding cycles.
	The project will create a facility to house Transit's buses and vans. It will include some support spaces. It is anticipated that the majority of the funding for this project will come from federal transportation grants.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-006	6/2/05	Buffalo Observation Shelter	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	66%	$44,000 Applying for Grant.	To be determined.
	This project will provide a buffalo observation shelter that is accessible to all persons including those with limited mobility, on a raised portion of the site and will provide a unique vantage point for visitors to observe the buffalo.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-011	2/14/05	Oneida Law Enforcement Center Remodel	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	1%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project will include minor remodeling and a new site sign. The project scope is being defined as the CIP Package is assembled.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
05-012	3/2/05	Elder Garages & Driveways	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	20%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project would add garages and paved driveways on Oneida elders property to make it safer for them to move from the vehicle to their home.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
05-013	3/2/05	Elder Services / Apartment Improvements	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	20%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project would include adding garages for the apartment residents, installing a surveillance system for the common areas, and enhancing the landscaping.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
05-014 thru 05-021	FY05	Gaming Building Renovations	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-3 & 4	varies	$1,724,771	varies
	The project includes various maintenance and minor repair projects at the main casino, IMAC, and Mason Street Casino. Projects include: roof replacement, carpet replacement, asphalt repair, toilet room remodeling.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-024	5/16/05	OCHC - Fitting Station	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 2	34%	Estimated $119,500	Project on Hold
	The project will construct a garage that will be used for storing car seats, educating and demonstrating the proper installation of children's car seats. The fitting station will serve as a one stop shop for storage, installation, and education.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-025	9/2/05	NHC Remodeling - Phase V	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-4	70%	$1,207,800	Estimated Substantial Completion: Nov. 2006
06-001	10/18/05	Tribal Building Restoration	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	5%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project will restore this historically significant building to allow it to be used for community related programs and services.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
06-002	1/10/06	Oneida Nation High School	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	2%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project will construct a new high school to address the deficiencies in the current structure, allow more curriculum choices for the students and enhance student enrollment by providing a facility designed for a high school function.						
Community Meetings:	One Community meeting was held on March 16, 2006. Additional meetings to be determined.						
06-003	2/03/06	EHS Environmental Experiential / Education Center	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	1%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project will be a sustainable building including low impact development, green building materials and sustainable elements throughout the life cycle of the facility. This building will be used as a model for future tribal buildings and community education.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						

Appeals Commission welcomes Stenzel aboard

Submitted by Appeals Commission

Paul Stenzel graduated from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1995. Upon receiving his J.D., he worked as a Staff Attorney for the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Indian Tribe from 1995 to 2003. While at Stockbridge-Munsee, Paul worked on all aspects of the tribal court including helping with court start up, drafting ordinances, and serving as tribal prosecutor. Paul represented the tribe on various types of litigation in tribal court including employment, collections, and constitutional interpretation.



In September, 2003 Paul joined the firm of von Briesen & Roper, s.c., in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he continued to practice Indian law. In May 2005, Paul opened Stenzel Law Office LLC.

Paul's practice has focused almost exclusively on federal Indian law since the inception of his legal career. His major areas of interest are tribal court development, state-tribal judicial relations and jurisdictional issues relating to Public Law 280.

In 2005 Paul was a presenter at a series of educational seminars bringing together tribal and state judges. Jointly organized and sponsored by the Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association, the Wisconsin Office of State Courts and Wisconsin Judicare, the series focused on providing state court judges with information about Public Law 280 and the Indian Child Welfare Act.

Paul is currently a member of the State Bar of Wisconsin Indian law Section Board of Directors.

Paul lives in Shorewood, Wisconsin with his wife Christina and their daughter Emma.

What is the Oneida Nation working on?

Come and find out at the next
BUSINESS UNIT INFORMATIONAL MEETING
Location… Oneida Police Department
2783 Freedom Road • Oneida, WI
Monday, May 22, 2006
1:30 PM – 4:00 PM
Tentative Agenda…
Human Resources Update
MIS Update
Treasurer's Report
Gaming Update
If there are any specific topics you would like information about, please contact me at 490-3537. Yaw^ko.
Lee Thomas

Calendar

EVENTS

May 12

Tales of an Urban Indian
WHEN: Friday, May 12
TIME: 7:30 PM (door open at 7:00 PM)
PLACE: Southwest High School Auditorium
1331 Packerland Dr, Green Bay
Tickets: $10.00 for adults $5.00 for students & seniors

May 19-21

Gathering of Warriors Pow-wow
WHEN: May 19-21, 2006
PLACE: Woodland Bowl, Keshena, WI
Admission is $5.00 per day of $8.00 for the weekend
For more information call Warren Wilbur at **715-799-3264** or Wes Martin at **715-799-3858**

May 20th

Mud Drags
WHEN: Saturday, May 20th, 2006
TIME: 8:30 - 11 a.m - Registration. Race begins at Noon
PLACE: Oneida Volunteer Fireman's Grounds
For more information call **869-2371**.

June 30-July 2

Oneida Pow-Wow
WHEN: June 30 - July 2
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center grounds
ADMISSION: Weekend passes $10.00 Daily Passes $5.00 60 & older and 10 & under are free.

August 4-5

18th Annual Burger Fest & 6th Annual Balloon Rally
WHEN: August 4-5, 2006
TIME: Various
PLACE: Downtown Seymour, Wisconsin
Hot air balloons fly at 6:00pm Friday and Saturday with a balloon glow, and then at 6:00am Saturday and Sunday.
Saturday, August 5th -World's Largest Hamburger Parade 11:00am Hamburger Press Weightlifting Contest, 1:00pm, 60lbs Mini-Burger served at 3:30pm.
Admission is $3 in advance and $6 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. Call **920-833-6688** for tix.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there!
For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at **(920) 869-4280, 4277 or 4279** to include events in this section.
All announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Local

South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services News

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Saturday: 9AM–12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

SEOTS Mission… *Our mission is to provide for the well-being of* On=yote÷a=ka *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

SEOTS Staff
Mark Denning……..……*Director*
Anne Kreutzinger……*Administrative Asst.*
Carmen Flores……*Administrative Asst.*
Deb Ushakow……*Community Education Specialist*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS *News* once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us.

The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

Beginners Language Class

Language Class for kids and parents. Learn greetings, numbers and colors together!

Date: Saturday, June 3, 10, 17 & 24
Time: 9-10am
Place: Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street

Craft Class

Class will finish the craft from the previous month if time is needed to complete the project. Tentatively 2 Wednesdays in June

Classes for summer, if any, will be scheduled for Saturdays

Date: Wednesday, June 7th & 14th
Time: 6 - 8pm
Place: Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street

House on the Rock

Tour the House on the Rock at Spring Green. Wear good shoes! Tour is approximately 3 hours. Fee will be 15.50 plus lunch and any other extras.

Date: Thursday, June 22nd
Time: 7am-5pm
RSVP ***384-7740****, Seating is limited to 10*

Kids Klub

Kids Klub is fun, fun, fun! Crafts, games, trips, hiking, swimming and fun! Oneida language and culture is a part of each day. Ages 7 - 12 are welcome! Parents must sign permission slips on the first day. Please bring a brown bag lunch. A snack will be provided.

Date: Monday, June 31st
Time: 10-3pm
Place: Seots office

Pow-wow Dance

Pow-wow dance for all ages! Beginners are welcome! Get ready for July 4th Pow-wow in Oneida! Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Dates: Thursday, June 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29th

Oneida Cultural Festival

The Oneida Nation Museum is having a Cultural Festival with Social Dancing, Kids decoration table, Lingo Bingo, Cultural activities, Live Birds of Prey, and other fun activities.

Date: Thursday, June 29th
Time: Van leaves at 9am and returns to Milwaukee by 5:00pm

RSVP your spot on the Van. (Seating is limited to 10)

Oneida Cultural Heritage - classes will resume in the fall

Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office

Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and information available to Veterans without an appointment once a month at SEOTS. Rodney is a counselor with the Vets Center. His specialty is working with war veterans and their families, although he will try to help any veteran with any questions they may have. The Vet's Center does with work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations in order to provide the best care for veterans. *All Veteran's Are Welcome!*

Date: Tuesday, June 6th
Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm
Place: SEOTS



Oneida Police Officer Chris Cornelius gave a presentation on Meth and Drug Awareness to the Milwaukee Oneida Community

FYI – Sweat Lodge

Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call **383-7072** and ask for Dona.

Attention all Community Members…

One of our young community members is in need of a kidney transplant. Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. Its possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at **(414) 385-2550.** Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who knows you may be a match?

Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Computer lab now available for use

Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Open lab every day and Saturday 9 - 12pm.

Veterans

Support Our Veterans! Veterans have served our county since the Revolutionary War. They are also requesting that we support our Veterans where ever they are serving. The contact person for the Color Guard is Leon House **(414) 543-1622**. ***We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans. Keep up the good work!***

MAIRN Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network Meeting

If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information about our community, such as: contacts, what's happening in Indian country regarding health, community education, and other important issues that affect our community. Guest speakers will present topics of interest and will share their resources that are available for the community. This is a must for area Indian agencies and businesses.

Date: June 28th
Time : 12:00-2:00pm
Place: Next Meeting will be held at "The Gathering Place" at the Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street, alternate place will be Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street.

Notices will be sent to members (Others interested please call **384-7740)**

Potluck---Potluck—Potluck Tsyunhehkwa

If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If we don't carry what you need, we are happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida.

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings

The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.

Date: Tues., 13th & 27th
Time: 6:00pm

Information around the city

Please call and inquire before attending ***384-7740***

211 Impact – Simply call 211 for help with life - food - shelter - health - crisis intervention, etc.

Pow Wow AA Group – All Welcome-Thursday's–8:00PM 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th. Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center–**383-9526.**

Domestic Violence – Milwaukee Women's Center 272-5132, Ext. 153. Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case

See Page 6A
SEOTS

OCIFS
Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems

MEMORIAL DAY
COOK-OUT
Sale

FRIDAY, MAY 19
10 a.m.-3 p.m.
at
ONEIDA
APPLE ORCHARD
3976 W. Mason Street
Oneida, WI 54155
920-869-2468

- Brat & Burger Cook-out
(White corn will be served)
- Seafood Sales right off the truck
- Tsyunhehkwʌ Products sales and displays
- 2006 Oneida Farmer's Market information on site

3- $100 OCIFS Gift Basket Give-aways



Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Also please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Mia Marie Rayn Skenandore

Mia Marie Rayn Skenandore, newborn daughter to Jodie and Mitchel Skenandore, was born Saturday, April 1, 2006 at 10:46 a.m. at St. Vincent's Hospital, Green Bay. She weighed 7 lbs., 12 oz., and measured 20.25 inches in length. The proud maternal grandparents are John and Janet Hill. The proud paternal grandparents are Thomas and Josephine Daebler and Ronald Skenandore Sr.. Siblings at home are Kristia, Clayton and Rylee.

Yuridia Yuliza Mejia Ceniceros

Yuridia Yuliza Mejia Ceniceros is the baby of proud parents Angela "Cornelius" & Cleto Mejia Ceniceros. Yuridia was born March 7th at St. Vincents Hospital weighing 7lbs, 8oz and measuring 20 in. long.

Maternal grandmother is Eileen Smith and paternal grandparents are Flora Ceniceros and Gregorio Mejia. Great-grandparents are Evelyn Elm, Barbara & Donald Denny and Lupia Herrida. Yuridia has three older siblings at home; Noalani, 4, Gabriel, 3 and Barbara, 1.

Happy Birthday

Katie
May 12th



Love Mom, Dad, Tim & Tina

Happy 2nd Birthday

Yokalasha Yutsistokwa Danforth
May 7th



Love Mom, Dad, Autumn & Tia

Happy Birthday

"Mom" on May 13th



Love Ron & Janice, Cheryl & Jim, Judy & Damian, Fred & Teri, Lee, Barbara, Charlene & Tom, Denise & John, Dennis, Sharon, Carol & Angel, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren



2006 North American Indigenous Games

Oneida Nation Golf Outing

Date: Monday May 29, 2006

Start Time: Tee Time start at 8:00 am

Location: Crystal Springs, Seymour

Format: 2 Person Team—Scramble

Men and Women's Division

Space is limited, so call with your team as soon as possible.

Fee: $55 Per player

All money raised will support the participation in the 2006 NAIG for Oneida youth.

Contact person:
Leroy King for pre-registration: 869-1059

Webster team takes 2nd



Photo courtesy of Racquel Starr

Congratulations to the "Josh Webster Memorial Team" for taking 2nd Place in the Annual Native American Indian Plus One Basketball Tournament held in Lac du Flambeau, WI April 21st. Special thanks to all the players that come out and play in honor of my son, Josh Webster. You are to be commended for your excellent sportsmanship and competitive team spirit. Special thank you to Ernie Stevens Jr. for purchasing the team jerseys. Pictured are, front row, (l to r): Roberto Hill, Derek King. Back row, (l to r): Latsiklanunha Hill, Lolihwakayu Hill, Danny Peters, Sid White, Jamison Wilson, Jermaine Webster

June 5th is the deadline for submissions

Miss Oneida & Jr. Miss Oneida Pageant



…which will be held on June 15th!!

We are looking for ambitious and positive young ladies who want to have fun while representing the Oneida Nation!

Miss Oneida (ages 18-25)
Jr Miss Oneida (ages 13-17)

All participants must:
- be single with no children.
- be an enrolled Oneida or in the process of
- have no misdemeanor or felony convictions
- possess knowledge and understanding of he Oneida culture and history

For more information call:
Tana Aguirre, 869-4239 • Heidi King, 869-1580
Racquel Hill, 869-4388 • Kalene White, 429-3263

Note: Li'l Miss will be selected at the 35th Annual Oneida Pow Wow, Friday, June 30th at approximately 5 P.M.

Great prizes for Miss & Jr Miss Oneida 2005-2006

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the



Town of Oneida Volunteer Fireman's

Raffle, Picnic & Demolition Derby

Sunday • June 4, 2006

Oneida Fire Dept. Grounds
N6611 Hwy. H • Oneida, WI

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NEXT DEADLINE

is…**Wednesday May 17thd, 2006 @ 4:30 P.M.** with a **PUBLISH DATE** of…**Thursday, May 25th, 2006**

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DATE: Wednesday, May 24, 2006
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PLACE: Norbert Hill Center, Business Committee Conference Room
AGENDA:
- History of Higher Education Grant Program
- Statistics of Higher Education
- Information gathering

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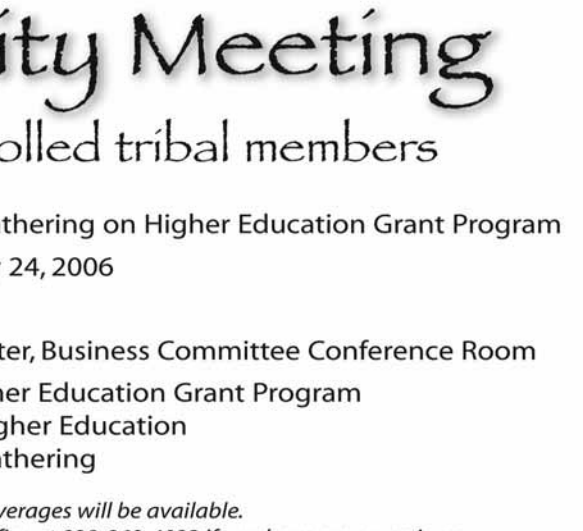
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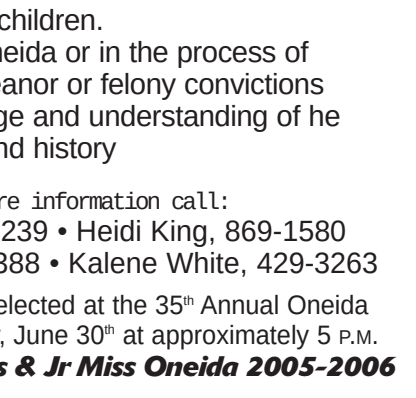
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State

Legislature wants authority to review proposed casinos

MADISON, Wis. (AP) New off-reservation casinos such as those proposed in Kenosha, Beloit and Shullsburg would need approval from the Legislature under a bill approved by the state Senate on Wednesday.

The bill would essentially take away that authority from Gov. Jim Doyle, a Democrat, and add a new barrier to any expansion of American Indian gambling in Wisconsin.

The Senate approved the bill 21-10, sending it to Doyle. A spokeswoman for the governor had indicated after the Assembly passed it last September that he would veto it if it reached his desk.

Current federal law gives the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs the authority to approve plans for off-reservation casinos and the governor has to concur with the agency's decision.

The bill would prohibit the governor from agreeing with a BIA decision unless the Legislature also signed off on the plan. The review would have to demonstrate that the proposed casino would help the tribe while not hurting the surrounding community.

Sen. Mary Lazich, R-New Berlin, said the bill would give citizens a greater say in the state's rapidly expanding tribal gaming industry and take away concerns the governor's decisions could be influenced by campaign donations.

"It's high time that those people have representation from the legislative branch on the issue of Indian gaming," she said.

OPD formalizes relationship to help find missing children, elderly

(Oneida, WI) - The Oneida Police Department, along with all the Law Enforcement agencies in Brown County, have recently formalized a relationship with a national program called A Child Is Missing Alert Program (ACIM). ACIM assists in the search of missing children, the elderly (often with Alzheimer's), and the disabled in the first critical hours of their disappearance.

A Child Is Missing Alert is a nonprofit organization that uses a high tech telephone alert system to canvas a geographical area with telephone calls describing the missing person and asking anyone with leads to call their local law enforcement agency. Alert calls are launched within 15 minutes from the request by the law enforcement agency at a rate of 1,000 calls per minute.

A Child Is Missing Alert has been serving law enforcement since 1997 and to date, more than 11 million telephone alert calls have been made to help find missing individuals. ACIM has been credited by law enforcement with 140 safe recoveries in the last 47 months.

Once a law enforcement officer investigates the situation, law enforcement calls ACIM. Information about the missing person is given to ACIM. The information is loaded and a geographical area is determined using mapping technology. All the listed phone numbers in the area are sent a computer generated telephone call giving all the pertinent information about the missing person. The message then asks them to call their local law enforcement agency with any information. If someone has an unlisted number or only a cell phone, their numbers can be added to the database by calling ACIM at **(954) 763-1288**, or by visiting their website, **www.achildismissing.org.**

The relationship represents the Oneida Police Departments continuing effort to build ties with local law enforcement agencies. These ties help provide Oneida and surrounding communities with the best law enforcement possible.

"Having this program is a huge asset in finding a person that is missing or lost," said Interim Assistant Chief of Police, Rich Van Boxtel. "We can tap into the biggest resource that is available to us, our community."

Bear Paw Keepsakes

Father's Day, June 18, 2006

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PHONE: (920) 499-7875
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The show will open with a reception for the public and artists. The reception will run from 1-5:00 pm.

The art show will go for one month, and end on July 18, 2006.

Painters, sculptors, potters, and other artists of Oneida descent are asked to submit entries depicting Oneida culture and tradition. This is the first in a series of exhibits beginning on Father's Day. This will be an open exhibit. Oneida artists will have an opportunity to introduce their work to the greater Oneida community, Green Bay and Wisconsin. Our goal is to promote and give recognition to the uniqueness of Oneida art. A committee will select, curate and oversee awards for entries to the art show. Submit work not previously shown. Work completed within the last year (2005-2006) is being sought.

ONEIDA ART SHOW, JUNE 18-JULY 18, 2006 APPLICATION

Theme: Oneida Culture and Tradition

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National

Kansas Potawatomi may try for new casino in Illinois

By Sam Hananel
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) An American Indian tribe that owns one of Kansas' most successful casinos has bought an off-reservation site near Chicago, where it has long considered building a resort and casino.

The Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation of Kansas purchased the 128-acre parcel last month in Shabbona, Ill., about 60 miles west of Chicago.

Rey Kitchkumme, vice chairman of the tribal council, said the tribe would have no comment until a Tuesday morning news conference near the Illinois land.

Claudia Hicks, village president of Shabbona, said Kitchkumme called to inform her of the nearly $9 million land purchase last week but told her he would not disclose plans until the news conference.

"The speculation is that it's for a casino, but speculation and it actually happening are two different things," Hicks said in a telephone interview.

Efforts to build off-reservation casinos in Kansas have stalled due to opposition from the state's congressional delegation.

The tribe and Harrah's Entertainment run Harrah's Prairie Band Casino on reservation land north of Topeka in Mayetta, Kan.

The Illinois property is in the congressional district of U.S. House Speaker Dennis Hastert, who has previously said he opposes a casino in Shabbona. A spokesman for Hastert did not immediately return a call on Monday seeking comment.

Establishing an off-reservation requires a lengthy review process at the federal and state level that takes years to complete.

The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act prohibits gambling on land acquired after 1988, but the secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior can grant an exception after considering whether the plan is in the best interests of the tribes and not detrimental to surrounding communities.

Exceptions generally are not granted without strong support from the state's congressional delegation.

In January, spokesmen for Kansas Sen. Sam Brownback and Rep. Todd Tiahrt _ both Republicans - said the lawmakers would oppose any efforts to establish off-reservation gambling in Kansas.

The Prairie Band Potawatomi and two other Indian tribes in Kansas want to build new casinos near more populated areas and share revenue with the state. That plan has the support of Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius.

A spokeswoman for Sebelius said the governor was not consulted on the tribe's latest plan and had no comment.

Nedra Darling, a spokeswoman for the Interior Department's Bureau Indian Affairs, said the agency has no record of an application for an off-reservation casino in Illinois from the Prairie Band Potawatomi.

The tribe contacted the Interior Department several years ago to inquire about a separate claim to land in Shabbona that includes much of nearby Shabbona Lake State Park. A former agency official issued a preliminary opinion stating the claim may be credible.

Hicks said local opinion on a possible casino is mixed.

"It depends on who you talk to," she said. "I wouldn't necessarily welcome it and I wouldn't not welcome it."

Ho-Chunk tribe agrees to make $30 million payment to state

MADISON, Wis. (AP) - The Ho-Chunk Nation agreed to pay the state $30 million in back payments as part of a gaming compact between the two sides, state officials said Wednesday.

The state and Ho-Chunk remain locked in a dispute over another $75 million to which the state says it is entitled.

In 2004 the state Supreme Court invalidated portions of a compact Gov. Jim Doyle negotiated with the Potawatomi tribe in 2003 to expand the type of games it could offer in return for increased tribal fees to the state. The contract was similar to others Doyle signed with tribes, including the Ho-Chunk.

Following the ruling the Ho-Chunk stopped offering the new games and said that meant it was no longer obligated to pay the state its payments due in 2004 and 2005.

Under the agreement, the Ho-Chunk will pay the state $30 million toward its 2004 payment. The two sides will continue negotiations regarding the estimated $75 million the state says it's owed for operations in 2005, 2006 and 2007, according to Sean Dilweg, the top aide to state Administration Secretary Steve Bablitch.

A spokeswoman for the Ho-Chunk Nation did not immediately return a message left Wednesday.

The two sides have suspended arbitration while each pursues an appeal in federal court over how the arbitrator was chosen, Dilweg said. Both sides will continue negotiating outside of the appeals process, he said.

The state has reached a new deal with the Potawatomi and continues to negotiate with the other tribes.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus
(formerly "Tribal Social Security Plan")

NOTICE: THIS PLAN MAY BE IN LIEU OF PER CAPITA PAYMENTS AND THE BURIAL FUND

On August 11, 1997 The Oneida Trust Committee was directed by the General Tribal Council to present a Tribal Social Security Plan to the General Tribal Council. A motion was made that the Trust Committee work with Bill Gollnick and bring back a comprehensive plan on the Tribal Social Security System. The Community Meetings purpose are to introduce components for the plan. The dates are:

May 25, 2006–Thursday • Parish Hall - 6:00PM to 8:00PM

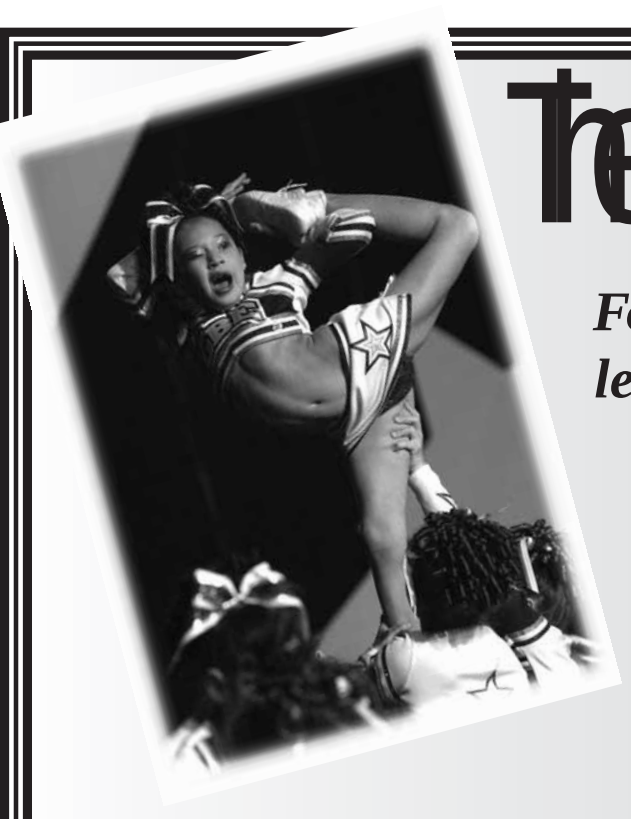
June 13, 2006–Tuesday • Parish Hall, 6:00PM to 8:00PM

June 13, 2006–Saturday • On-line presentation for SEOTS - 1:00PM

June 22, 2006–Saturday • One-line presentation for SEOTS - 6:00PM

Refreshments will be served at Parish Hall meetings.

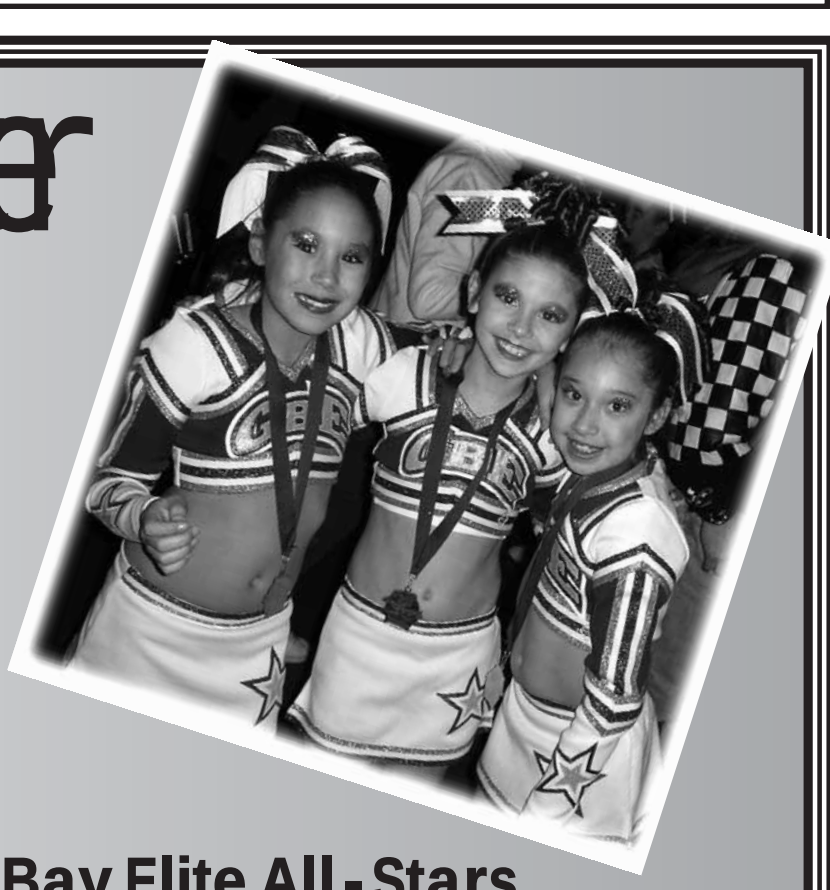
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Legislative Review



Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...

Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

The Oneida Business Committee is very busy with a variety of meetings covering a diverse group of subject matters. It seems like not a lot of time is spent on any one issue but that's just because there are so many meetings that are held.

Most recently, we took up the discussion on the opening of the sludge ponds, located directly behind the Hotel and Casino, for dumping of the highly toxic waste. The initial contact indicated this was on a fast track, therefore the Tribe needed to put an action plan together very quickly. However, we have now been informed that there will be time set aside for public comment which will afford us the opportunity needed to put in our objections to the plan and the risk to the future of our community with contaminations to both water and air. We want to see clean up of the waterways done, but we don't want the highly toxic waste stored in our back yard.

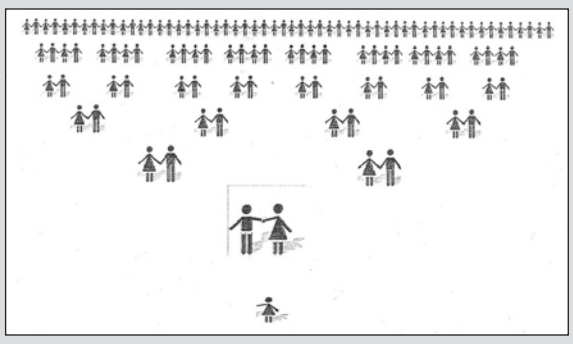
This month I attended consultation sessions for the Dept. of Health and Human Services, addressing subjects ranging from the Older Americans Act to health care. The State Dept. of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection also held a consultation session at which open grazing, wild rice protection and emerald ash problems were discussed. It gets frustrating attending these sessions and stating the same thing year after year but if we didn't speak out then we would never make any progress. On a federal level with the DHHS we seem to always be asking for more money but underlying that is a recognition of the status of Tribes as sovereign nations. Congress seems to use the "special interest group" designation more often when asking why they should be trying to meet our needs. The State, on the other hand, is doing the consultation sessions as a new initiative encouraged by the Governor, to get input from Tribes on issues involving more that just money. I find these sessions to be very informative in providing direction for cooperative relationships that will benefit the Tribe and it's members.

The Committee has been receiving information on a proposed gas pipeline coming through the reservation. The company bringing this additional supply up from Illinois is seeking input from owners whose property the proposed pipeline will be crossing. Further discussions will be taking place before a determination can be made on what the Tribe's position will be on this project. The main factor driving consideration is the competition a second line will generate, supposedly to the benefit of the consumer, by driving the prices down. But there are also environmental considerations that need to be addressed. I encourage you to seek information through the community meetings Guardian Pipeline will be holding over the next couple of months. Information will also be available from the Tribe as we conduct our research for arriving at a decision.

There sure seems to be a lot of interest in what the Tribe is doing since the public posting of the bankruptcy notice of Thornberry Creek. This is land within the original boundaries of the reservation and our land acquisition plan is to reacquire as much of the land within these boundaries as is possible. We hold annual meetings open to the public to disseminate progress with this well publicized plan. Of course we have many needs being addressed with the revenues we receive from our gaming operations and it is not all available for buying back land.

Looking ahead, we have the Annual Family Carnival scheduled for June 2nd and 3rd. This is a good time that gets better and better every year. Bring your family and friends. Encourage your neighbors to join in the fun.

Legislative Update





Councilman
Ed Delgado

Greetings,

At a recent Indian Child Welfare conference, the picture above was used by a Canadian tribe to illustrate how their children, each and every one of them, are related and the extent to which that Tribe places value on them. I respect that Tribe's wisdom for keeping that tradition alive. That wisdom demonstrates the interconnectedness many Tribal people have that many other cultures have forgotten or never cared to consider. As a child, the values taught to me were to always consider others as if they were part of yourself. Those values will continue to guide my decisions as an Oneida Business Committee Councilman.

A Tribal Court

The Town of Hobart lies almost entirely within the boundaries of the Oneida Reservation. Their court is housed on land that was issued to us by Treaty. Last year that court conducted approximately 900 court proceedings. Many of those proceedings involved our Oneida people who were dragged into that court and fined by a judge of Hobart. That should not be happening on the Oneida Indian Reservation.

In the Treaty of 1838, our ancestors made a deal with the United States. Part of that deal was that as Oneida people, we would maintain our inherent right to govern ourselves. In today's world, the ability to self-govern requires the ability to regulate what happens within our boundaries.

In September, the General Tribal Council will be presented a proposal that will establish a Tribal Court System for our Oneida Tribe. At that meeting, we Oneida people will have the opportunity to protect and exercise our inherent right of self-governance.

COLA

My office continues to advocate for a FAIR cost of living increases for Oneida employees. If you are an employee, you have a right to contact your favorite, or not so favorite, Oneida Business Committee member and ask them to support a FAIR COLA increases for fiscal year 2007.

Tribal Social Security Plan

Tribal members are advised to attend community meetings regarding the proposed Tribal Social Security, scheduled throughout May and June. My office does not support the plan if it takes away from per capita payments, however, I would support a provision that would give Tribal members options. Nor does my office support any provision which would allow the Tribe to claim any portion of an estate of a deceased Tribal member because of the Social Security Plan.

Exemplary Education

I believe Tribal children have a right to a quality education that prepares them to compete in today's highly technical world. The Federal government does not have a good record for providing quality academic education to Indian children. As a result, tribal governments, tribal education systems, and tribal people are now becoming more involved. As a result, there are Indian schools in Indian Country that are in the process of providing quality academic programs for Indian children. Now there is hope.

The American Indian School, located in a very poor section of Oakland, California, is a school in which 20% of the children are Indian. In that school, 35 % of their student body pass the State of California college entrance exams by 7th and 8th grade. As a result, Indian children growing up in poverty have a chance to be successful in college as American Indian School student body outscore more affluent children from more affluent school systems throughout California.

On the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, a community long known for its poverty and the hopelessness that poverty wreaks on people, their school system was recently awarded an Exemplary Education Award by the Exemplary Indian Education Institute because of their initiative to provide quality academic education to their children. Their test scores are rising as their attendance and academic programs improve. Also receiving Exemplary Education awards were the Salt River Indian Reservation School System and the Nepelem Tribe in Washington State.

As an former educator of Indian children for 17 years, it is fulfilling to know that successful Indian education programs are being developed to enable Indian children to compete in today's and tomorrow's world. As a member of the Oneida Business Committee, I hope to work with the Oneida Nation School Board, the Oneida Nation School System, and concerned members of the Oneida Business Committee to bring a Exemplary Education program to Oneida's children, all of them.

Thank you!

NOTICE

2006 Election Caucus

Scheduled for

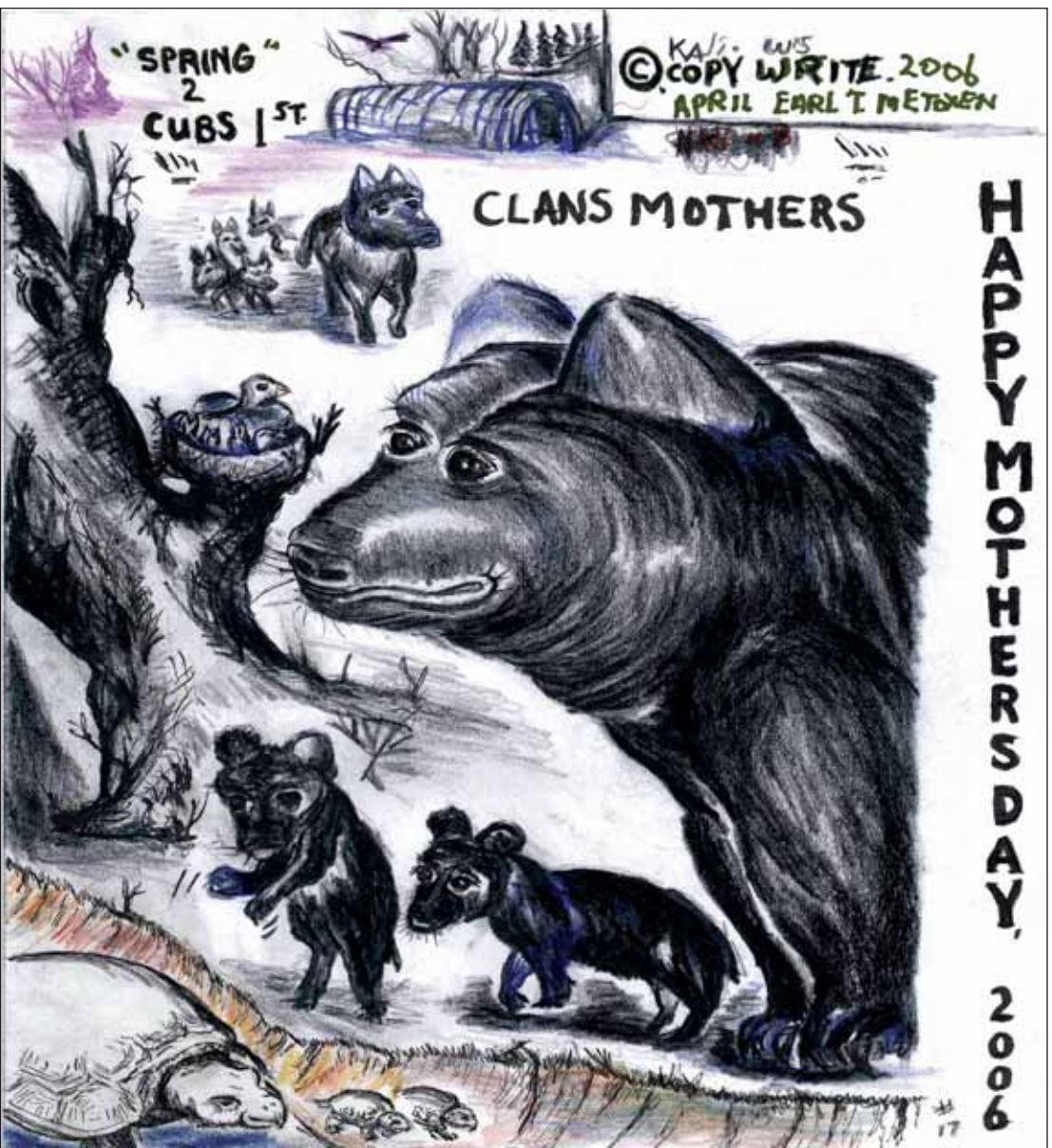
Monday • June 5, 2006

6:00 p.m.

Business Committee Conference Room • Norbert Hill Center

NOTE: ***Those individuals nominated at Caucus MUST be present to accept nomination***

Opinions...



Qualifications for Commission posts

Oneida Appeals Commission:

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
b. Must be 21 years of age or older.
c. Candidates shall not have been convicted of a felony.
d. If elected, a Judicial Officer cannot be an administrative staff person for the Oneida Tribe as set forth in Resolution 3-20-92-A or any future limiting resolution.
e. If elected, a Judicial Officer cannot join or maintain membership on any other Oneida Tribal Board, Committee or Commission.
f. All applicants running for office of the Oneida Judicial system shall be subject to a background check before their names are placed upon election ballots and must be bondable.
g. All Judicial Officers are subject to the Judicial Code of Conduct.
h. Sitting Judicial Officers cannot become a candidate unless their current elected term is expiring.

Oneida Gaming Commission:

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin and 21 years of age or older.
b. Must meet one (1) of the following criteria: Experience of at least one (1) year in:
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 2) Accounting
 3) Business Management
 4) Previous Tribal Board, Committee, or Commission
 5) Gaming
 6) Law Enforcement, and/or
 7) Formal training in any of the above areas
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 2) Has any financial interest in, or management responsibility for any gaming activity that would be in direct competition with gaming authorized by this ordinance.
 3) Has any conflict of interest as defined in this ordinance and the Tribal policy defining conflict of interest.

Oneida Land Commission:

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
b. Must be 21 years of age or older on the day of election.
c. Must be a resident of Brown or Outagamie County.
d. Must not be employed by Division of Land Management.

Cornelius makes professional fancy shawl dancing debut in *The Encounter*

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Kahnya Cornelius has been fancy shawl dancing since she was little, now she's dancing on stage in *The Encounter*, a professional dance production that mixes ballet and pow wow styles.

The Encounter debuted in Bismark, North Dakota last month. The performers dance while images taken by professional photographer Robert Meyer are displayed behind them.

In the final number called Inclusion, the pow wow and ballet dancers perform together.

"At the end we do a round dance and we bring them all together, and we dance to (ballet) music and they dance to our music." she said.

The production has received favorable reviews and strikes an emotional cord with audience members, sometimes moving them to tears.

While *The Encounter* artistically displays the culture clash of the first contact between Native Americans and Europeans, the underlining message is of respect and inclusiveness.

"We're the same, we both dance to the same music, even though we're so different, we're both the same." said Cornelius who has a solo performance that honors women.

There are hopes to bring the production to other theaters in the United States and possibly Japan.

"This is just the beginning, they want to make it bigger and go all over," she said.

Cornelius has recently completed her junior year at United Tribes Technical College in Bismark. She is pursuing a double major in elementary education and disabilities, but would like to continue working in the production.

"I think it was cool. I was something new, interesting." she said.

The Encounter has played a few times regionally, but there



Photo Courtesy of *The Encounter* promotions

Kahnya Cornelius hopes the production of *The Encounter* will go on a national tour. She attends United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck.

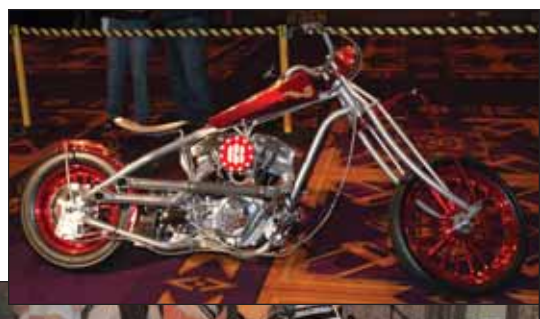
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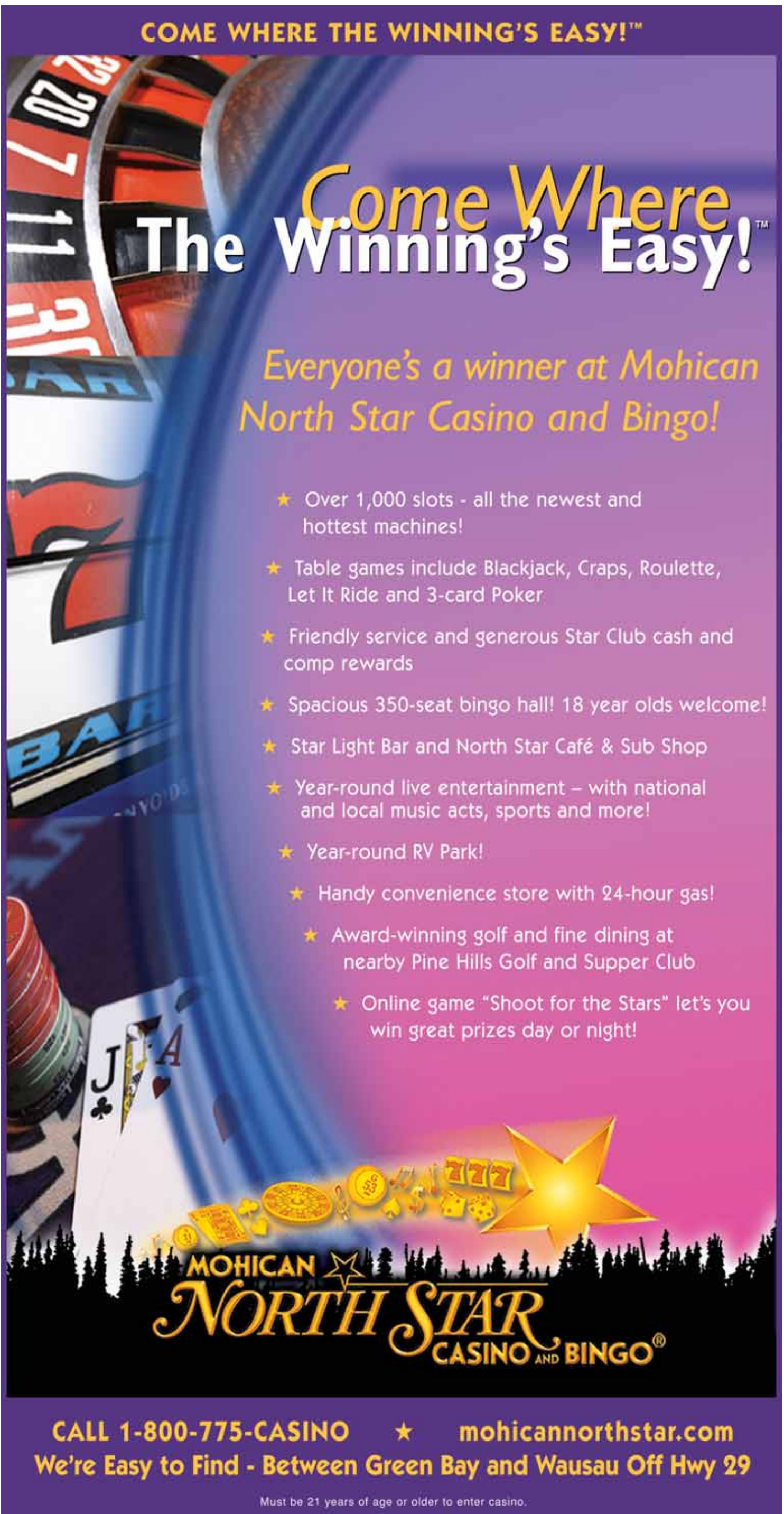
On May 7th, Oneida Casino gave Penni from Green Bay (above) the custom built Oneida Casino Chopper from Orange County Choppers.

Also on display during the big give-a-way were six additional OCC custom built bikes. The choppers varied in size and style and included the New York Fire Department (FDNY) Memorial Chopper. (bottom) Also among the bikes were smaller framed, chain driven models. (inset)





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Thunderhawk Times

Oneida Nation High School 2006 Cosmic Prom was a success

Prom 2006 was a blast for all

By Winona Godfrey
ONHS Junior

The ONHS prom was a great success. The students were very happy with the DJ, who DJ's for all the Menominee dances. The students had a blast dancing to the cha-cha slide. There was no room on the dance floor when that song came on.

Cathy Delgado, ONHS group counselor, busted out the electric slide. Cathy also said that if no one got up to dance, she would tell the DJ to play "Thriller" the rest of the night, and for the people who danced the electric slide for the whole song would get a surprise after the song and dance.

The students also commented that this year was the best prom out of their whole school career. Of course the freshmen wouldn't really know because it was their first prom. But the sophomores, juniors, and seniors said it was the best prom.

For the food they had a little variety; mini burritos, beef wellington deluxe, fruit tray, and BBQ chicken wings. As for refreshments they had sprite, mellow yellow, lipton's iced tea, and water.

The staff also arranged an after-prom at the Turtle school. The chaperones at that event said there were no incidents (fighting, etc.) so the staff were very pleased with that.

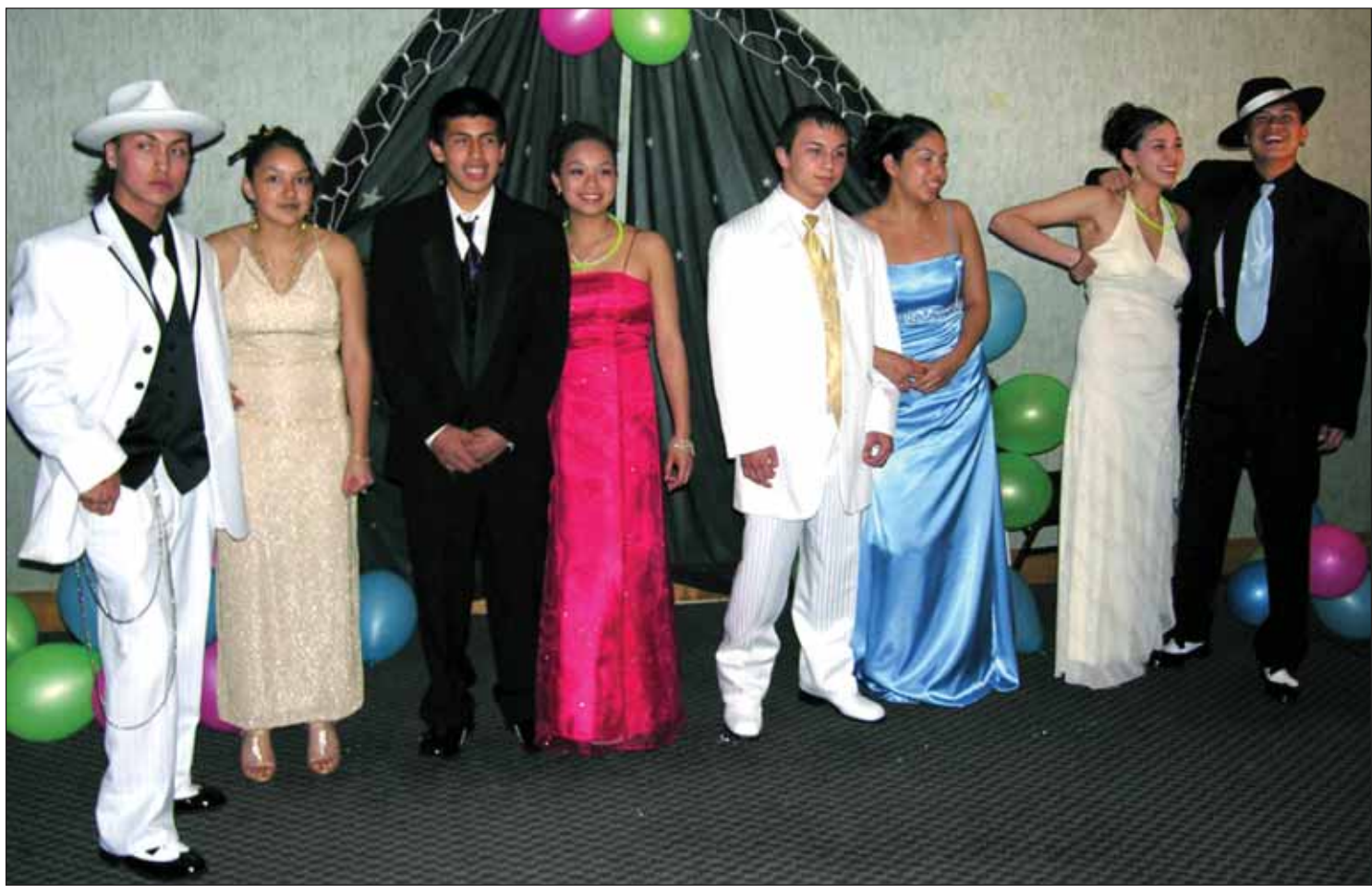


Photo courtesy of Becky Anderson
ONHS Prom 2006 Court (l-r) Freshmen Mesaen Wheelock and Yuntle McLester, Sophomores Nic Cantu and Debbie Santiago, Juniors Eddie Metoxen and Lois Stevens, and Seniors Stakwas Danforth and Anthony Gutierrez.

Prom court and after-party

By Jonathon House
ONHS Senior

This year, ONHS held its prom at the Radisson Hotel. The DJ was straight out of K-Town (Keshena) there, waah-haay. His names was Buckle Waukau. The music was good and there were no complaints. The food was great!

After the prom, there was a lock-in at the Turtle School. The purpose of the lock-in was to prevent teenage drinking following the prom. According to students who were there, the lock-in was fun. They had sumo wrestling suits, over-sized boxing gloves and a lot of other activities. They also had a bull riding machine!

The freshmen were represented on prom court by Yuntle McLester and Mesaen Wheelock. The sophomore representatives were Debbie Santiago and Nic Cantu. For the juniors it was Lois Stevens and Eddie Metoxen. For the seniors, it was Stakwas Danforth and Anthony Gutierrez.





Photo courtesy of Becky Anderson
Middle: Some of the guys at prom (l-r) Nic Cantu, Sean Metoxen, Paul Gutierrez, and Joe Christjohn. Students enjoyed music spun by DJ Buckle Waukau of Keshena. Right: Tanya Christjohn (left) and Yasiman Metoxen show off glow necklaces and their gorgeous dresses.

Baseball season canceled

On Thursday, April 27, ONHS baseball players were called into a meeting where it was announced that the baseball season would be canceled.

"It was a combination of things," said athletic director Lance Kelley, citing failing grades and too many players missing practices as two of the primary reasons.

Grades had been an issue all along and players were working toward improving their grades. However, head coach Gary Lancelle said that at the time the season was canceled there were still ten "F's" amongst the players. The athletic code is pretty clear about failing grades and eligibility.

Still, the players were disappointed.

ONHS celebrates Earth Day

By Earl Elm
ONHS Junior

Earth Day activities at high school are a good idea because they get more kids to get active and help out. This year we had a social dance in the BC conference room and then a tree planting in memory of all ONHS students and staff who have passed on. The activity was set up by the student council. The tree is a cedar tree donated by the conservation department and it is planted just east of the main parking lot at Norbert Hill Center.

The first Earth Day was in 1970. Ever since, the earth's air has been getting cleaner. But it took 35 years just to see some result in the earth's air. And we've still got problems. How long will it take to get the air as clean as it could get? It will probably take 70 years to get it that clean.

Phoenix Suburb Wants Wi-Fi – Is it a Trend?

By Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS Senior

Tempe, Arizona, a Phoenix suburb, wants wireless internet available for its residents. If the plan goes through Tempe will be the first city in the United States to have wireless internet through out their entire 40 square mile area.

Officials hope their easily accessible high speed internet will act as a good economic development tool. The network will be setup through 400 antenna boxes mounted on light poles throughout the city. NeoReach Wireless, the provider of this service, will sell access primarily through other providers.

How about Oneida? In our next issue, we'll look at what it would take for Oneida to follow suit and just how far away wireless internet might be for our community.

Mr. Irrelevant – It's not so bad!

By Darrell Skenandore
ONHS Junior and Thunderhawk Times second semester editor

Mr. Irrelevant is an award given to the last guy selected in the NFL Draft. It all began in 1976 when a totally unknown wide receiver from a totally unknown college of Dayton – Kelvin Kirk. – became the last player selected in the draft that year. He was invited to Newport Beach for a week of upside down celebrating.

This year's Mr. Irrelevant goes to a wide receiver from Maine, Kevin McMahan, who was drafted by the Oakland Raiders. He will be invited to Orange County for a week of celebrating which will be consisted of a golf tournament, regatta, and sports banquet. It is also open to the public.

My Scoop

The end of baseball.

By Joe Christjohn
ONHS junior

The end of the ONHS baseball season was the most horrible thing that happened because everybody was having a good time with everything.

I myself was very disappointed when the season ended because I didn't really know what was going on when the baseball meeting was called. I thought it was to "psych up" for the Menominee game later that day.

Athletic director, Lance Kelley, came into the room and stated that people weren't stepping up and that players still had F's, though some of the players had improved their grades.

Most of the team was mad that the season ended.

K-win Wheelock, a senior, said he was really disappointed because he didn't "have anything to do after school anymore and the team was getting pretty decent. We could have won some games if some [players] would have stepped up."

Isaiah Smith, another senior, said, "It's bad that it ended" because it was his senior year.

Coach Gary Lancelle said, "After waiting six years for a good team, I finally got one, only to be yanked away because of grades. It was very frustrating. We are a school first. Next year's students will understand that the priorities are grades. Remember, I am a teacher first and you guys are about so much more than baseball."

That was what the coach had to say. I'm still kind of mad that the season ended the way it did, especially on a game day. That was some bad stuff right there.

Education

How to be a student at Higher Ed Fair



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski



Onieda Higher Education held its third annual Spring College Fair at the Radisson Inn Monday, May 1st.
Top: More than 120 participants visited 27 booths representing different schools and trades.
Right: Sophomore Jessie Warrington of Ashwaubenon High School signs up to get more information from the Bellin College of Nursing.

Deadline extension for Yukihika=latuhse> Writer's Journal

Submitted by Beth Bashara
Oneida Arts Program

The literary journal Yukihika=latuhse> (She Tells Us Stories) announces that submissions are now being accepted for the 2006 issue. Poems, short essays, and short stories will be considered from Native American writers of Wisconsin and elsewhere.

The editors will look at no more than three pieces from each writer. It is preferred that poems and prose be no longer than one page, but slightly longer length will be considered. **The extended deadline for submissions is May, 19, 2006**.

Submissions should be sent to Yukhika=latuhse>, Oneida Nation Arts Program, PO Box 365, Green Bay, WI 54155-0365.

For further information contact Beth Bashara at **(920)490-3830** or check out our web address at **www.oneidanationarts.org**

March Artists of the Month

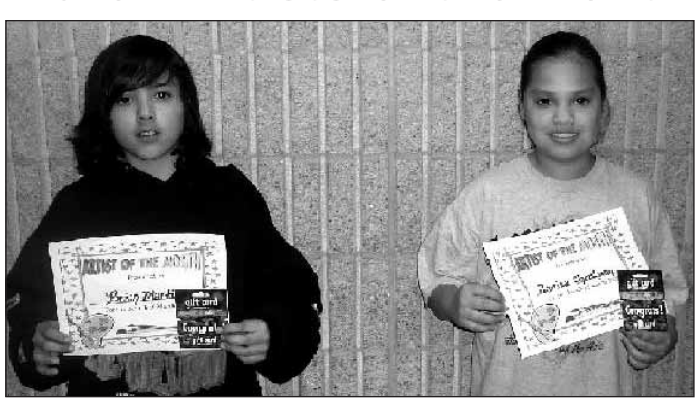


Photo courtesy of Michelle McCormick

Congratulations go out to the March Artists of the Month, Brian Martin and Jairica Christjohn. Each showed great skills and attendance for the month of March. They were awarded a gift card and a certificate. The Art Department of Oneida Recreation is proud of their hard work.

Scholarship

Jaycees of WI

The Jaycees of Wisconsin Foundation is again offering a $500 scholarship to a deserving student. This scholarship was established in 1993 to honor an outstanding Jaycee who died after a courageous battle with cancer. The Denise Bertucci Memorial Scholarship is meant for the nontraditional student–one who is returning to school after a break in formal education.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, having returned to school after at least two years off. Must be a full time continuing student with at least 2 semesters of school completed since returning. Applicant must have a gpa of 3.0, based on a 4.0 scale. Three letters of recommendation must be included in the application packet.

For more information contact the Scholarship Committee at **jcwfscholarship@netscape.net.** Or contact Debbie Van Natta, 2006 Bertucci Scholarship Committee Chairperson, **P O Box 1547, Appleton WI 54912**. Deadline for applications is **June 1 of each year.**

Purcell Powless Scholarship Fund

In 1989 Purcell Powless established a scholarship fund for Oneida Tribal members pursuing graduate and post graduate studies. The fund provides financial assistance with tuition, fees and required textbooks to students who demonstrate financial need. Applicants may be full-time or part-time students, and must be in good standing at their academic institution. Applicants must apply for other financial aid prior to applying for the Purcell Powless scholarship. Business and Economic majors receive priority in the selection process. For more information or for application materials call the Oneida Higher Education Office at **920-869-4333** or **800-236-2214.**

Oneida Trust Scholarship

The Oneida Trust Scholarship was established as a financial aid resource to assist eligible enrolled Oneida Tribal members in securing higher education opportunities. Students must be attempting to meet post-secondary entrance requirements in order to become officially accepted at an accredited institution. The scholarship may assist with (1) required prerequisite credited classes, (2) post-secondary graduate preparation and admission exams such as GRE, GMAT or LSAT, or (3) related preparatory. Applicants must be enrolled in the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, must have applied for admission to post-secondary institution, must show proof of requirements, must be in academic good standing (2.0 grade point average for undergraduates and 3.0 for graduate students). The Trust Scholarship is a one-time scholarship up to $2,500. Please call the Higher Education Office at **920-869-4033** or **800-236-2214 X 4333**, or contact us on the web at **oneidanation.org.**

Learning Center highlights

Submitted by Mandy Schneider
Civic Center

Summer is almost here, thank goodness. The last month in the learning center has been slow but good.

Alana Dallas is the winner of the most overall petals earned in the final facility wide Character Development challenge. She earned 33 petals out of a grand total of 300. Excellent job young lady, keep up the great work. Because of her displays of good behavior, and choice making Alana was allowed to chose a prize from my prize pile. She ended up picking an art kit full of oil, water color, and tempera paints, colored pencils, and pastels. Every child who received at least one petal for displaying positive behaviors is going on the big BBQ trip to Pamperin Park on May 1st. It should be a blast.

Not only that it is the end of the rest of the programs in the learning center this month, due to the fact that I will be having my baby soon, YEAH! The recipient of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes for the most time spent utilizing homework help is Dante Thomas, Bobby Mills, and Diego Metoxen. Way to go guys. The recipients of the 1st 2nd and 3rd place prizes for the character chain challenge are Diego Metoxen, Jairica Christjohn, and Devonte Pointer. Last but defiantly not least are the recipients of the current events challenge this month.

This month the youth at the civic center were challenged to use their imagination and think outside of the box to create their very own front page on any topic they wanted. The winners of this challenge are Diego Metoxen and Jairica Christjohn. They both put a lot of effort and creativity into their front pages..

Awesome job everyone, the effort put into these last challenges at the end of the school year was great, I am proud of each and every one of you.

Also one last reminder, to the teens. I am still here to help with school, job searches, colleges searches, and anything else you can come up with. So, do not be strangers come on in, ask for Mandy, and we will get started on any topic or task you can throw at me.

Higher Ed reminders

Congratulations to all of our graduating students!! Don't forget to submit a copy of your final grades, and a copy of your certificate or diploma when available.

If you plan to attend school for the 2006 fall term, you should be completing your application materials now. Students who take 6 credits or more must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. All students seeking funding through Oneida Higher Education are required to complete a higher ed application and participant agreement on a yearly basis. Call the higher ed office if you would like help with any of these forms.

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Students should keep in touch. We need to know if you change your name, address or phone number. If you change your school or your major. If you drop or add credits. Don't be shy about calling, especially if you have a problem or a question.

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Get ready for fall term

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Band/Choir prepare for Music in the Parks

Submitted by Andrea Birbilis
ONES Music Director

What better way to hone your musical talents than to perform for the governing body of your tribe.

The Oneida Nation Schools band and choir performed for the Business Committee Wednesday morning on April 26th in the BC Conference room. The Band, comprised of 5th-10th grade students, were preparing for a couple of performances they had coming up. The band performed on Wednesday, May 10th, along with the choir, for their annual spring concert at the Turtle school. The band and choir will travel on to Gurnee, Illinois on May 12 to perform in the Music in the Parks competition Friday afternoon, May 12 and will spend Saturday May 13 at the Six Flags Amusement Park. Music in the Parks is one of the largest competitive music festivals in the nation.

The Schools' band and choir appreciates the support of music education provided by a variety of areas including the Oneida Nation Schools; the administrators, teachers, school aides and other support staff at ONES and the High School; Beth Bashara and the Oneida Nation Arts Program; the Coca Cola fund, and the Johnson-O'Malley Foundation.



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Oneida Nation Schools band performed Wed April 26 in the BC room at Norbert Hill for members of the BC.

For the Best in Native American Music
Tune in to Kalihwiyose
WPNE 89.3
on your FM dial…
Thursdays
10:00PM to midnight

Health

Spring Fling marks 8th year

By Dawn Krines Glatt
Health Promotion

The 2006 Spring Fling Health Education Fair was held at the Oneida Community Health Center on April 6th. The event was open to all Oneida community members, employees, and their families. Over 20 booths were set up by various health and safety related departments within the Oneida Tribe.

Two hundred attendees strolled through the lobby of the Health Center, learning about the wide variety of health services available. They enjoyed healthy food, giveaways from the booths, and a chance to win prizes. Prize winners were Terry Skenandore, Sarah Danforth, Shelly Stevens, Jeanne Kurowski, Marilyn Mack, Maxine Cottrell, Cora John, Joyce Reed, Debbie Thundercloud, and Robert, Felicia, and Brenna Taylor.

Spring Fling is held during National Public Health Week and is coordinated by the Health Promotion department. This is Health Promotion's eighth year of hosting this popular community event. In previous years, they have received the Outstanding Public Health Promotion Award from the Wisconsin Public Health Association, and are under consideration for the award again this year.



Photo submitted by Dawn Krines-Glatt

Beth Herlache of the Diabetes program was one of 20 booths set up at this years Spring Fling event.

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an outbreak on campuses and subsequently has led to the spreading of the disease throughout the Midwest. "You have to think of this as a network, and so when someone leaves the original source of an outbreak and goes to a new community where there are susceptible people...they will be next to come in contact with the mumps virus," Gerberding explains. Spring break, along with Easter and other holidays, a time when people tend to gather with friends and family, have provided a path for the virus to travel outside the original community.

Gerberding also explains that even a very good vaccine can be imperfect, "About 10 percent of people who are inoculated still remain (susceptible) to mumps." So imagine you have a community like greater Green Bay with a population of about 175,000 and every person was properly vaccinated, there would still be up to17,500 people that could end up with the mumps.

According to the CDC, adults born before 1957 are considered immune from the virus because it is believed that they were exposed to the mumps while in childhood. Like the chickenpox, once you had the mumps you are considered immune from repeat infections.

If you are exposed to the mumps you may not even know it, according to a release by the Oneida Health Center, 15-20% of people infected with the mumps will show no symptoms, but if you do, the symptoms typically appear 16-18 days after infection. Once infected and diagnosed, a person should remain isolated for 8-10 days to avoid infecting others. "(Mumps) is a communicable disease, we want people to be isolated, we want to stop the spread, and the only way you can do that is by isolating," says Meyers

Although the Midwest outbreak is the largest in recent history, mumps are not exactly an unheard of disease, according to a 1995 CDC report, on average the United States reports 4,500 to 13,000 cases of mumps annually, and those numbers are about 90% less than the pre-vaccine numbers of the early 1960's which hovered around 200,000 cases annually.

If you feel that you may be one of these annual cases contact your health professional for a diagnosis. Meyers says, "You need to know if you have the mumps or not, (your health provider) would be able to tell you, yeah or no, or if it's just a cold." You can reach the Oneida Community Health Center at 869-4840.

OCHC Ombudsperson Program Report for March 2006

The Oneida Community Health Center and Behavioral Health Ombudsperson's Program began on February 27, 2006. It is the goal of the Ombudsperson's Program to improve the health, safety, welfare and rights of Oneida Community Health Center and Behavioral Health Patients.

The following reports represent the activities of the program for the months of March and April. The Ombudsperson can be contacted by Patients or their legal representatives with concerns about their rights, care, services or other concerns. The Program is completely Confidential.

Please contact Deborah Thundercloud, Ombudsperson at (920) 869-4569 or 1-800-236-2868.

March 2006 Monthly Report

Patient Demographics:

Patient complaints logged……10
(Formal complaints received with request to investigate)

Complainants……	All Female
Patient Gender	7 Female
	3 Male
Patient Age	2 Children
	7 Adults
	1 Elderly
Oneida Members	8
Non-Oneida Spouse	1
Other Native American (Chippewa)	1

Unlogged Patient Complaints……3
(Informal complaints received without a request to investigate)
Complainants 2 Oneida Females
1 Oneida Male Administrator

Complaint Categories:

Pharmacy (wait times, communication)	3
Dental (appt. scheduling, back log)	3
Contract Health Dollars	2
Referral Process for OCHC	1
Appt. Scheduling for BH	1
Appt. Scheduling for Medical	1
Billing	1
Disability Authorizations for BH	1
Treatment of Patients	1
New Nursing Home (Treatment of Advanced Alzheimers)	1

Unlogged - Collections, Dental appt. scheduling, Elderly Independent Living

Trends:

There appears to be a high concern amongst users of the OCHC regarding timing and communication of prescriptions. Most patients seemed to be understanding of the high volumes of prescriptions processed but were frustrated when they tried to be "proactive" in getting scripts filled or refilled. They were communicated a time frame for pick-up and upon their return, the scripts were not ready. Some staff had good customer service skills and communicated the reasons for the delay, others were very "short" and rude with customers. Perhaps some articles in the Kalihwisaks or flyers to be distributed to patients giving "helpful hints" for better and more efficient use of the Pharmacy would be helpful. Investigation into the high volume growth should also occur so that future physical space and staffing can be objectively evaluated and forecasted.

The three month lag in appointment scheduling and working down the "back log" to get into the Dental Clinic are increasingly concerning to the Community. Fortunately, many Tribal members know the importance of good Dental Care and the need to be preventative with cleanings and regular check-ups. Unfortunately, many members are not able to get an appointment in a timely fashion right now and this will lead to increased costs as the dental work needed to be completed is being "put off." The Institute for Healthcare Improvement has been working with many healthcare providers to deal with "back log" issues. The perpetual cycle will only continue to get worse unless strong, proactive measures are put in place and management has a commitment to reduce the "back log." This will require additional resources for a time but will reduce more costly procedure costs in the future. Serious consideration should be given to extending clinic hours, increasing providers and/or contracting for services from external sources until such time as the "back log" is diminished.

Eligibility criteria for use of Contract Health Dollars remains a question for many tribal members. A publication for the Community to educate them on eligibility and the use of Contract Health Dollars would be advisable. Members question what they should be afforded under basic Patient Rights – Can they be "threatened" to get "pre-authorization" for emergent care or Contract Health Dollars will not pay?

The other complaints logged this month focus on "process" issues within Departments and how they create barriers or interruptions in service for patients. Many Healthcare Providers are working on process models that involve input from the Patient. Processes are looked at from the "Patient perspective" rather than staff or Administration. This is in line with the Customer Service Orientation that many Healthcare Providers are turning to. The Healthcare Industry has had to move toward a Customer Service environment in order to remain competitive and to meet the demands of their Customer – the Patient. The Institute for Healthcare Improvement; a Partner with the Indian Health Service has expertise in assisting many National Healthcare Organizations in this direction.

Productivity Report:

10 Patient complaints were received in the month of March.
16 Administrative/Staff Interviews were conducted in the month of March.
10 are employees of the OCHC
6 are employees of the BH Program

Categories of Administrative Complaints:
Pharmacy–Back log, Waits, Intakes, SEOTS, Verifications
Patient Account Reps–Cancellations, Complaint Process, Volumes, Appts., Scheduling
Behavioral Health – Disability Claims Processing, Emergent Case P & P, Patient reassignment Process, referral process, internal complaint/ grievance process, Quality Committee membership/professionalism, Initial Contact Form authorization process too lengthy, no connection to OCHC for medical records, Home Visits process, no recording of staff meetings, need for more support groups for community, need for staff requirement for community outreach.
Administration/Medical – Development of Contracting Process, Credentialing Process needs updating, process needed for dealing with broken appointments, process for dealing with back-log
Overall – Updating SOP's/P & P's (staffing), Physical Space, Staffing Levels/ Volumes, catching up on back-log
Management Information Systems/Phones Casino tie-in to Pharmacy causes "down-time" on occasion, Not enough phone lines, age of software (PARS), updated technology assessment needed because of growth
Regulatory/Safety – Need to look into Hood installation for Pharmacy & Medical to share, look into Clinical Supervision in BH, Receiving area in OCHC cluttered and unorganized creating safety issues, Dispensing of Off-site prescriptions for SEOTS
Training – Customer Service Training is lacking, staff orientations are not being properly conducted due to lack of resources
Education – Need to educate Community that OCHC is not an Emergency Center and on the impact that the Employee Group Insurance Change had on OCHC - volumes, growth
Cultural – Request for Tobacco Burning and Feast at OCHC, cultural training requirement of ___# of hours/year for all staff
Administrative/Operations–22 issues to refer to management
Personnel–4 areas of concern to refer to management

Trends in Administrative Issues:

There appear to be many power struggles and a lack of team work at both the OCHC and BH Program. Poor Communication and distrust seems to be a common theme for both entities. Within the Oneida Governmental Structure there has always been an emphasis on getting the input and feedback of Tribal members (both employed and non-employed) in order to improve and enhance services. Respect, dignity, fairness and honesty are values that have been upheld within the Oneida Community since its inception. It appears that Directors have either been apathetic and avoid employee complaints or they have been very rude and intimidating with employees who have voiced concerns and opinions. It seems that "management" needs to implement a process where-by employees can submit complaints and be responded to. The "Blue-Book" does outline a process for dealing with employee complaints but it does not seem to be being utilized in many instances. Formal staff meetings with agendas that address Policy, Procedure or Process changes should be implemented. Staff input into proposals, new concepts, projects or ideas should be put into place. Training on developing teams and teamwork for all management and supervisory personnel is advised.

Continuous Improvement:

– Researched other Ombudsperson's Programs (Long-Term Care, National Ombudsman Resource Center, State of WI, Association of National Ombudsman)
– Developed Standard Operating Procedures for Program and received input from Oneida Law Office
– Developed Medical Information, Identity and Referral Release forms
– Developed Privacy/Confidentiality Statement
– Developed Complaint Intake Form
– Developed Program Strategic Plan
– Developed Communications Plan
– Reviewed GTC Petition, packet and minutes
– Developed Training Plan for pursuit of Master's Degree
– Began reviewing SOP's for OCHC Administration

In Progress: ~ Tracking Log
~ HIPPA Training
~ Child Abuse & Neglect Training
~ Initial 20 hours of Training for Certification

Mumps: quick reference

Mumps is a viral infection that primarily affects the parotid glands — one of three pairs of salivary glands, located below and in front of your ears. If you or your child contracts mumps, it can cause swelling in one or both parotid glands.

Causes

The cause of mumps is the mumps virus, which spreads easily from person to person through infected saliva. If you're not immune, you can contract mumps by breathing in saliva droplets of an infected person who has just sneezed or coughed. You can also contract mumps from sharing utensils or cups with someone who has mumps.

When to seek medical advice

If you suspect that you or your child has mumps, see your doctor. Mumps has become an uncommon illness, so it's possible that your symptoms are caused by another more common condition. Swollen glands and a fever could be an indication of inflamed tonsils (tonsillitis) or a blocked salivary gland. Other, rarer viruses can infect the parotid glands, causing a mumps-like illness.

Screening and diagnosis

If your doctor suspects that you or your child has mumps, a virus culture or serologic blood test may be needed. This blood test can detect mumps antibodies, which indicate whether you have had a recent or past infection

Prevention of Mumps

In general, you're considered immune to mumps if you've previously had the infection or if you've been immunized against mumps.

The mumps vaccine is usually given as a combined measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) inoculation, which contains the safest and most effective form of each vaccine. Doctors recommend that children receive the MMR vaccine between 12 and 15 months of age, and again between 3 and 6 years of age — before entering school.

Treatment

Because mumps is caused by a virus, antibiotics are not an effective treatment.

A mumps infection must simply run its course which may take 2-3 weeks.

Wisconsin: Confirmed mumps cases as of 5/10

County	No.	County	No.
Bayfield	1	Oconto	1
Brown	11	Outagamie	1
Chippewa	1	Portage	1
Clark	1	Racine	9
Columbia	1	Richland	4
Dane	26	Rock	6
Dodge	4	Sauk	1
Door	2	Shawano	2
Eau Claire	1	Sheboygan	3
Fond du Lac	9	Walworth	2
Grant	26	Wasington	4
Iowa	3	Waukesha	5
Kenosha	1	Waupaca	2
Kewaunee	2	Winnebago	3
Lincoln	3	Wood	1
Marathon	10		
Milwaukee	29	**Total Count**	**177**
Monroe	1		

Environmental

Meet Environmental Specialist, Bill Koonz

Special to Kalihwisaks



Hello. My name is Bill Koonz. On May 1, I became an Environmental Specialist for the Environmental Quality Department within the Environmental, Health and Safety Division. My main responsibilities will be to conduct Environmental Impact Reviews and Natural Resource Inventories and to assist with implementation, compliance and enforcement of Tribal and Federal Environmental Laws. Other duties include new technology research, technical assistance, strategic planning, finding external funding and community education through newsletter articles, education events and program promotion.

I have a Bachelors degree in Conservation from the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee and a Masters in Natural Resource Management from the University of Manitoba, Canada. I grew up on a farm next to the Menominee Indian Reservation and spent over 30 years as a Wildlife Biologist in Manitoba. After returning to Wisconsin in 2001, I taught and Directed the Natural Resources Program at College of Menominee Nation for four years. My wife and I live in Shawano. We have a daughter in Manitoba and a son in Florida.

My experience includes hundreds of hours of aerial wildlife surveys for bald eagles, colonial waterbirds, big game, waterfowl and fur bearers. I have been responsible for dozens of natural resource inventories in Provincial Parks and Wildlife Management Areas and have done hundreds of songbird, marsh bird, owl, woodcock and amphibian surveys. Urban wildlife and endangered species management and monitoring have been major components of my work. I look forward to working with the Oneida community and the Environment team. I may be reached at **496 5350**.

Oneida 4-H youth team up with Oneida Pantry Volunteers

By Bill Ver Voort
OCIFS Coordinator

It was a cold Spring day outside, but our spirits were high in the Nori Damrow Food Distribution Center warehouse on Saturday, April 28, 06'. This is where the Oneida 4-H youth and the Oneida Pantry volunteers came together to pick daffodils, clean white corn and enjoy an old fashion cookout. With over 20 adults and youth in attendance we were able to clean the 200 pounds of white corn that the Oneida Nation Farm had so generously donated to the Falling Leaves 4-H youth.

The Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H club intends to sell the white corn as a fundraiser for the club. This would then allow us to continue to offer educational tours and trips to the 4-H youth and their families. There were many obstacles that had to be overcome to achieve this, but with the help of the Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS) members we were able to move forward with our goal. The Oneida Nation Farm provided us with the product. The Food Distribution Program provided us with the space and the Oneida Food Pantry provided us with volunteers who helped clean the corn and taught the 4-H youth lessons along the way. A huge thank you to all for their assistance and for making it such a fun-filled wonderful event.



Photos courtesy of Bill Ver Voort

At right, the Pantry Volunteers went through the White Corn first to remove all the large debris from the corn.

Announcement…Announcement…Announcement

Oneida Lake Site

Announcement of the Oneida Lake site will take place at
Youth & Elder Fishing Day on
Saturday May 20th at 11:00 a.m.
The event will be held at Osnusha Lake
(also known as DeCaster Pond).
The new logo for the project will also be revealed.
The lake project is funded through
Fox River/Green Bay NRDA settlement money.

Tsyunh#hkw< Updates

Community Tilling Services offered

Tsyunh#hkw< will be providing tilling services again this year beginning around late April and ending deadline end of June depending on the weather and ground moisture. For anything less than one quarter acre will cost $20. Please have any debris removed from potential site and mark on all for corners for easy identification. Also...
Community garden plots
Community garden plots available across 54 from Haven road. There will be seven plots for community resident's use. This site involves organic practices with no herbicides or pesticides being used. The sites will be available to plant in late May, depending on the soil moisture content. Each small plot will cost $15. All Tribal Elders' fees are waived. Services provided will include; Water onsite, mowing around plots (2-3 times per season), tilling services and any technical support needed for a successful season. First come, first serve. Please contact Lou Williams Jr., Community Outreach Worker-Tsyunh#hkw< @ **869-2718** or email: **lwillia2@oneidanation.org** for additional information.

Gate Market

This year the Gate Market will sell our produce from our property beginning this year around June. Please stay posted to the intranet and the Kali for more updates. Please contact Kyle Wisneski, Greenhouse Technician @ **869-2718** or email at: **kwisnesk@oneidanation.org.**

Earth/Arbor Day Tree Give Away

Oneida Conservation Department
(For Oneida Enrolled members only)

Saturday, May 13, 2006
Osnuhsa Lake
(South side) near Cultural Heritage Dept.

Species Available:
White Pine
Arborvitae (Cedar)
Lilac (two varieties)
White Spruce
Birch (bare root)

Trees will be distributed on a first-come, first serve basis.
All children, age 18 and under, who participate in Earth Day "Clean Up" activities will be given first priority to select two seedlings.

There are 1200 plus seedlings to be distributed. Seven (7) seedlings will be available per household. However, no more than three (3) of any single species will be given away. Please bring your own box/container(s) to aid in transporting your seedlings.

Do not plant trees below overhead utilities or any species near underground utilities.
Minimum spacing recommendations

Arborvitae 6 ft.
Evergreen trees10 ft.
Birch trees15-20 ft.



Any questions, please contact the Conservation Office at (920) 869-1450

DNR, Georgia-Pacific to hold meeting on PCB disposal

Green Bay, Wis. – A public meeting has been scheduled to discuss the proposed disposal of PCB contaminated sediments from the Fox River at the Georgia-Pacific Green Bay West Landfill. The Department of Natural Resources and the Georgia-Pacific Corporation will host a meeting on Thursday, June 1 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Brown County Central Library Auditorium, 515 Pine Street, Green Bay. The public will have opportunities to make comments and ask questions after short presentations by DNR and Georgia-Pacific staff.

The Georgia-Pacific Corporation has requested DNR approval to construct a multiple layered cell within their Green Bay West Landfill to dispose of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) contaminated dredge sediments from the Lower Fox River. Under the plan, the Green Bay West Landfill, located north of Austin Straubel International Airport and the Oneida Bingo and Casino in Green Bay, would begin receiving sediments from the Lower Fox River in 2007.

People may offer their comments at the meeting and written comments relating to this proposal are also welcome.

Public comment period runs from May 2 to June 15. Send written comments to:

Len Polczinski
Waste Program Manager,
Dept. of Natural
Resources, PO Box 10448
Green Bay, WI
54307-0448

Comments must be received by DNR no later than 4:30pm on June 15, 2006.

Tsyunhehkwʌ 2006 Seed & Plant Distribution

This year the fee will be $5.00 for the bedding plants and seeds.
Following is a list of seeds that are already available:

1) Beans - Green
2) Beans - Yellow
3) Beets
4) Carrots
5) Corn - Sweet
6) Cukes - Pickling
7) Cukes - Slicing
8) Lettuce - Assorted
9) Melon - Musk
10) Melon Water
11) Onions - Set
12) Peas - Snap
13) Potatoes - Red
14) Potatoes - White
15) Pumpkins - Field
16) Pumpkins - Pie
17) Radishes
18) Spinach
19) Squash - Acorn (winter)
20) Squash - Butternut (winter)
21) Squash-Crookneck (summer)
22) Squash - Zucchini (summer)
23) Turnips

Four Bedding Plants of each variety will also be available.

TOMATOES
Cherry
Big Beef - Slicer
Viva Italia - Canning

PEPPERS
Bell - Sweet
Jalapeno - Hot

BRASSICA
Broccoli
Cabbage - Green
Cabbage - Red
Cauliflower

A limited amount of garden fertilizer and marigolds will also be available.
The Distribution began on Saturday, May 6th from 10:00am - 2:00pm
and will continue M-F from 3-6pm.
It will close on Thursday, May 25th at 6:00pm.
You may return after May 29th for more supplies if needed, donations will be accepted.

Tsyunh#hkw< Workshops

May 2006…
~ May 20th, 5:00 PM – Three Sisters Planting, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

June 2006…
~ June 22nd, 5:00 PM – Red Raspberry Leaf Harvesting, Tsyunh#hkw< farm

~ June 22nd, 5:00 PM – Salve Making, Retail Store, Ridgeview Plaza

July 2006…
~ July 13th – Culinary Creations, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

August 2006…
~ Mid August – Green Corn Harvest and Soup Making-TBA, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

~ August 24th, 5:00 PM – Canning Pickles, Cannery, Nobert Hill Center

September 2006…
~ September 21st, 5:00 PM Salsa Making, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

October 2006…
~ October 19th, 5:00 PM – Apple Workshop, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

November 2006…
~ November 2nd, 5:00 PM – White Corn Soup/Bread Making, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Also please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Mia Marie Rayn Skenandore

Mia Marie Rayn Skenandore, newborn daughter to Jodie and Mitchel Skenandore, was born Saturday, April 1, 2006 at 10:46 a.m. at St. Vincent's Hospital, Green Bay. She weighed 7 lbs., 12 oz., and measured 20.25 inches in length. The proud maternal grandparents are John and Janet Hill. The proud paternal grandparents are Thomas and Josephine Daebler and Ronald Skenandore Sr.. Siblings at home are Kristia, Clayton and Rylee.

Yuridia Yuliza Mejia Ceniceros

Yuridia Yuliza Mejia Ceniceros is the baby of proud parents Angela "Cornelius" & Cleto Mejia Ceniceros. Yuridia was born March 7th at St. Vincents Hospital weighing 7lbs, 8oz and measuring 20 in. long.

Maternal grandmother is Eileen Smith and paternal grandparents are Flora Ceniceros and Gregorio Mejia. Great-grandparents are Evelyn Elm, Barbara & Donald Denny and Lupia Herrida. Yuridia has three older siblings at home; Noalani, 4, Gabriel, 3 and Barbara, 1.

Happy Birthday

Katie
May 12th



Love Mom, Dad, Tim & Tina

Happy 2nd Birthday

Yokalasha Yutsistokwa Danforth
May 7th



Love Mom, Dad, Autumn & Tia

Happy Birthday

"Mom" on May 13th



Love Ron & Janice, Cheryl & Jim, Judy & Damian, Fred & Teri, Lee, Barbara, Charlene & Tom, Denise & John, Dennis, Sharon, Carol & Angel, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren



2006 North American Indigenous Games

Oneida Nation Golf Outing

Date: Monday May 29, 2006

Start Time: Tee Time start at 8:00 am

Location: Crystal Springs, Seymour

Format: 2 Person Team—Scramble

Men and Women's Division

Space is limited, so call with your team as soon as possible.

Fee: $55 Per player

All money raised will support the participation in the 2006 NAIG for Oneida youth.

Contact person:
Leroy King for pre-registration: 869-1059

Webster team takes 2nd



Photo courtesy of Racquel Starr

Congratulations to the "Josh Webster Memorial Team" for taking 2nd Place in the Annual Native American Indian Plus One Basketball Tournament held in Lac du Flambeau, WI April 21st. Special thanks to all the players that come out and play in honor of my son, Josh Webster. You are to be commended for your excellent sportsmanship and competitive team spirit. Special thank you to Ernie Stevens Jr. for purchasing the team jerseys. Pictured are, front row, (l to r): Roberto Hill, Derek King. Back row, (l to r): Latsiklanunha Hill, Lolihwakayu Hill, Danny Peters, Sid White, Jamison Wilson, Jermaine Webster

June 5th is the deadline for submissions

Miss Oneida & Jr. Miss Oneida Pageant



…which will be held on June 15th!!

We are looking for ambitious and positive young ladies who want to have fun while representing the Oneida Nation!

Miss Oneida (ages 18-25)
Jr Miss Oneida (ages 13-17)

All participants must:
- be single with no children.
- be an enrolled Oneida or in the process of
- have no misdemeanor or felony convictions
- possess knowledge and understanding of he Oneida culture and history

For more information call:
Tana Aguirre, 869-4239 • Heidi King, 869-1580
Racquel Hill, 869-4388 • Kalene White, 429-3263

Note: Li'l Miss will be selected at the 35th Annual Oneida Pow Wow, Friday, June 30th at approximately 5 P.M.

Great prizes for Miss & Jr Miss Oneida 2005-2006

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the



Town of Oneida Volunteer Fireman's

Raffle, Picnic & Demolition Derby

Sunday • June 4, 2006

Oneida Fire Dept. Grounds
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NEXT DEADLINE

is…**Wednesday May 17thd, 2006 @ 4:30 P.M.** with a **PUBLISH DATE** of…**Thursday, May 25th, 2006**

Questions, please call: **920-869-4280, 4279** or **4277**

Toll Free: 1.800.236.2214 ext. 4277, 4279 or 4280

Community Meeting

Open to all enrolled tribal members

TOPIC: Informational gathering on Higher Education Grant Program
DATE: Wednesday, May 24, 2006
TIME: 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center, Business Committee Conference Room
AGENDA:
- History of Higher Education Grant Program
- Statistics of Higher Education
- Information gathering

Snacks and beverages will be available.
Call the Oneida Higher Education Office at 920-869-4033 if you have any questions.

Presented by Town of Oneida Volunteer Fire Dept. and Green Bay High Riders, Ltd 4x4 Club

Mud Drags

Saturday, May 20th

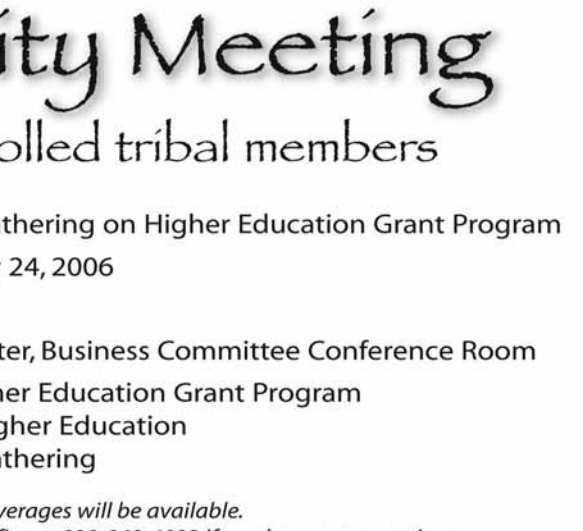
New Registration time: 8:30am–11:00am • Race Time: 12:00 Noon
at the Oneida Volunteer Fireman's Grounds

Directions: 10 miles west of Green Bay on Hwy. 54 or 2 miles east of Hwy. 55, then 2 miles south on Cty H.

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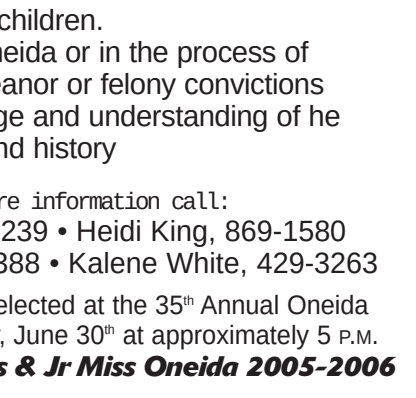
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Date: Thursday, June 1, 2006
Time: 5:30-7:30
Place:Social Services Community Room



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E-mail: jsouto@oneidanation.org

CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, & information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

To place a classified, call the Kalihwisaks 1-800-236-2214

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Board Vacancies

Oneida Cemetery Board
Qualifications: There shall be six (6) members who shall make up the Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board. Shall serve a lifetime term. Shall meet whenever a burial is requested by the kin or other interested party for a deceased Oneida Indian or other person permitted. Shall be responsible to maintain vital statistics of the deceased and to report such information as may be required by the Oneida Tribe. The Board or its' delegate shall control the cemetery and beautify the same, and may establish regulations respecting it. Contact Brenda John at 869-4458 for more information.
Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/12/06.

Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)
Two(2) Vacancies
Qualifications: Shall serve a two year term. Shall be parents of children enrolled in the Norbert Hill Child Care Center.
Purpose: We provide the highest quality educational and support services to all children and families. We empower the children through the use of developmentally appropriate practices. Our practices reflect the unique cultural heritage of the Oneida Community and build the foundation for the next Seven Generations. Contact Brenda John at 869-4458 for more information. **Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/12/06.**

Oneida Pow Wow Committee: Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications: Shall serve a three (3) year term. May be

Board Vacancies

required to perform the supervisory duties in regard to a Pow Wow. Contact Brenda John at 869-4458 for more information. **Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/12/06.**

Job Opportunities

Environmental Engineering Specialist
Closing Date: June 1, 2006
This position coordinates underground storage tank compliance activities, conducts environmental pollution investigations, assists with the Brownfields program and provides input and assistance from an environmental engineering aspect. **Requirements**: A Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Science, Natural Resource Management, geology, earth science, biology, environmental engineering, soil science or closely related field with one (1) year of previous successful experience in technical project management is required.
Preferred Certifications: Underground & Aboveground Storage Tank (UST/AST) Inspection Course Certification and AST & UST Site Assessor Certification and Tank System Remover Cleaner Certification issued by the Wisconsin Department of Commerce or must gain certifications within six months to one year of employment.. Experience in developing, implementing and monitoring budgets and grants are required.

Job Opportunities

Submit applications to: Human Resources Dept. 2360 W. Mason St. Green Bay, WI, 54303 For more information call Oneida Job Line:1-800-236-7050 or visit http://hrd.oneidanation.org

Administrative Assistant II – Indian Nations
Heifer Int'l, a progressive, world hunger, non-profit org seeks an exp'd, detail-oriented individual to assist the Indian Nations Director in Green Bay, WI. Must have extremely strong office mgmt skills, as well as computer, writing, interpersonal & org'l skills. Knowledge of general office procedures req'd. Duties: respond to written, oral, & electronic inquiries, facilitate arrangements for travel, meetings, conferences, etc., & coord payment of bills/invoices. Strong English lang skills req'd. Spanish lang skills desired. High School Diploma req'd; plus 5 yrs office exp. MS Office exp req'd. Must be highly self-motivated, w/the ability to thrive in a dynamic team-oriented environment. Salary $12.65 hr + benefits. This position is not eligible for relocation benefits or visa sponsorship by Heifer. For more info about our org, detailed job desc & downloadable app please visit **www.heifer.org**
Send resume, cover letter & app by **5/19** to **HR: fax 501-907-2820, email jobs@heifer.org HEIFER INT'L IS AN EEO/AA EMPLOYER BY CHOICE.**

Job Opportunities

Reproductive Health RN
Closing Date: May 16, 2006
This position will provide nursing care in the Reproductive Health Clinic at the Oneida Community Health Center, and work in compliance with the Health Center's philosophy and mission statement. Incumbent must be willing and able to work occasional evenings and weekends as needed/required. This is an exempt position and reports to the CHN Supervisor. **Requirements**: B.S. in Nursing from an accredited college or nursing program with two years of experience as an RN is required. Verification of previous work experience is required to complete the application process. Experience in Public Health, Occupational Nursing, Home Health Nursing, Hospice Care and Geriatric Nursing is preferred. Current RN license in the State of Wisconsin is required. Must maintain a current license throughout tenure of employment. Must submit a copy of RN Licensure to complete the application process. Two years of successful experience working with young adults and their families is required. Must have genuine interest in working with families and children.
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Job Opportunities

Oneida Nation Job Line

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Job Opportunities

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Green Bay, WI 54313

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Rummage Sale
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road trip









All acts subject to change.

FRIDAY JUNE 2

ONEIDA CASINO

MAIN STAGE

5 - 6 PM
BLUE CATS
Rockin' Blues

6:30 - 8 PM
REPLICA
Rock

8:30 - 10 PM
road trip
Wisconsin's Favorite Rock Band

FOX 11 WLUK-TV

FAMILY STAGE

TEEN NIGHT
(two shows)

7 - 8 PM
8:30 - 9:30 PM
RUNNING BLIND
Unplugged

SATURDAY JUNE 3

ONEIDA CASINO

MAIN STAGE

12 - 1:30 PM
BARBIE AND THE EARTH SHAKERS
Rockin' Blues

2 - 3:30 PM
SHY GUYS
Variety Show Band

4 - 5:30 PM
ANDY'S AUTOMATICS
Honky Tonk

6 - 7:45 PM
PINK HOUSES
Music of John Mellencamp

8:45 - 10:00 PM
Country Music Superstar
JOHN ANDERSON

10 - 11 PM
FIREWORKS SHOW

95.9 KISS FM

SATURDAY JUNE 3

Special Appearance by:
NICKEY'S KID SHOW



Nikki Platt

1 PM
3 PM
4:30 PM
Family Stage

FOX 11 WLUK-TV

FAMILY STAGE

12 noon- 4:00 PM
KARAOKE CONTEST
Age 15 & under & open Karaoke
Prizes for all participants

5 - 8 PM
KARAOKE CONTEST
Age 16 & older
1st, 2nd & 3rd Place
$$$ Prize Winners

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SATURDAY JUNE 3

3-D FIREWORKS SHOW
Saturday Night following John Anderson

- *Open to the public*
- *Great American & Ethnic Foods*
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Walschinski is Kalihwisaks managing editor

Seku, my name is Dawn Walschinski and I am the new managing editor of the Kalihwisaks.



As some of you may remember, I worked for the paper from 1993 to 1995 as Dawn Thomas. I then moved on to be a photographer for local television stations WBAY and then WLUK. All together, I have ten years of experience in the journalism field.

I look forward to the new challenges before me. The Kalihwisaks staff and I will do our best to produce a paper that is informative, timely, fair and engaging. In addition, we hope to use new technologies to expand beyond our current bi-weekly newsprint format.

Local veterans team up for NNAVM benefit



Kali photo/Yvonne Kaquatosh

Oneida veteran Harry Martin embraces the moment on stage with Canadian singer/songwriter Lorrie Church during a recent benefit concert at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center in Oneida.

Oneida, Menominee veterans stand united for cause

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

It is the vision of many Native American Veterans throughout Indian country to one day walk through the threshold of a National Native American Veterans Memorial center that will honor past, present and future Native Veterans who have fought for this great country.

"To finally have their (veteran's) place in history (be told)", explained entertainer Lorrie Church, who performed in the Grand Council Ballroom at the Radisson on Thursday, May 18 as part of a local benefit.

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Benefit Concert

Bean Dance opens planting season





Kali photos/Steve Gandy

Students and Faculty at ONES gather outside the Turtle School to perform the Bean Dance led by Kal§na Brooks (upper left) and Sonny Hill (upper right). The Bean Dance is a longhouse tradition that is performed in the spring and fall each year to ensure a good harvest. Sonny Hill (right) stands before ONES students, explaining the importance of the Bean Dance prior to the burning of the tobacco.

Remembering Wisconsin's honored troops

Associated Press

Fifty-five troops from Wisconsin have died as a result of service in Iraq. They are:

Army Pfc. Grant Allen Dampier, 25, of Merrill, died May 15, 2006.

Army Pfc. Eric D. Clark, 22, of Pleasant Prairie, died May 11, 2006.

Army Sgt. Nathan J. Vacho, 29, of Janesville, died May 5, 2006.

Marine Lance Cpl. Eric A. Palmisano, 27, of Florence, died April 2, 2006.

Marine Lance Cpl. Adam J. VanAlstine, 21, of Superior, died Feb. 25, 2006.

Marine Sgt. Andy A. Stevens, 29, of Tomah, died Dec. 1, 2005

Army Pfc. Anthony Alex Gaunky, 19, of Sparta, died Nov. 18, 2005.

Army Spc. Benjamin A. Smith, 21, of Hudson, died Nov. 2, 2005.

Army Sgt. 1st Class Matthew R. Kading, 32, of Madison, died Nov. 1, 2005.

Army Spc. Michael Wendling, 20, of Mayville, died Sept. 26, 2005.

Army Sgt. Andy Wallace, 25, of Oshkosh, died Sept. 26, 2005.

Army Sgt. 1st Class Trevor J. Diesing, 30, of Plum City, died Aug. 25, 2005.

Marine Staff Sgt. Chad J. Simon, 32, of Monona, died Aug. 4, 2005.

Army Capt. Benjamin D. Jansky, 28, of Oshkosh, died July 27, 2005.

Army Spc. John O. Tollefson, 22, of Fond du Lac, died July 27, 2005.

Army Spc. Charles A. Kaufman, 20, of Fairchild, died June 26, 2005.

Marine Lance Cpl. John J. Mattek Jr., 24, of Stevens Point, died June 13, 2005.

Army Spc. Eric Poelman, 21, of Racine, died June 5, 2005.

Chief Warrant Officer Joshua Scott, 28, of Sun Prairie, died May 27, 2005.

Sgt. Mark Maida, 22, of Madison, died May 26, 2005.

Sgt. Andrew Bossert, 24, of Fountain City, died March 7, 2005.

Sgt. 1st Class Donald W. Eacho, 38, of Black Creek, died March 4, 2005.

Marine Lance Cpl. Travis M. Wichlacz, 22, of West

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Honored

Multiple generations enjoy annual Youth and Elder Fishing Day

By Steve Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The 7th annual Youth and Elder Fishing Day was held on May 20th this year at Osnusha Lake, also known as DeCaster Pond. The event was the setting for the announcement of the new Oneida Lake site as well as the unveiling of the new project logo. The site is an old sand pit located on Cooper and County Hwy U.

Those who attended the event were treated to a brisk summer morning filled with fishing, food, entertainment and prizes. The lake was stocked with fish, the largest ones being tagged as prize winning fish with a bounty of $50.00 for the big one.

The new lake site was announced at 11:00am, and a shuttle was scheduled to tour the new site around 12:30 pm. A cookout style lunch was served at 11:30 am with music by Silver Bullet Productions from 11:00am - 1:00pm. There was also a raffle drawing around noon.

All age groups attended the event and enjoyed a sunny morning of fishing with family and friends. David Reed-

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Fishing



Kali photo/Steve Gandy

(Left to right) David Reed, David Reed and David Reed-VanderZanden enjoy the opportunity to do some fishing during the 7th Annual Youth and Elder Fishing Day in Oneida

International Bayfest needs volunteers

GREEN BAY, Wis. ~ It is the unselfish dedication of volunteers that will help make International Bayfest a great success. Without their help the event would not be possible. Volunteers are needed to assist in the children's area with international craft projects. Volunteers are asked to work at least one four-hour shift and will receive a free International Bayfest t-shirt for their involvement.

International Bayfest will be a reincarnation of the original Bayfest that ended its 25-year run at UW Green Bay last year, and will take place from June 9th to 11th in downtown Green Bay. The free event will put a spotlight on the diverse cultures and heritage of Northeastern Wisconsin with four entertainment stages, a wide variety of foods, children's activities, a boat parade, a fireworks extravaganza and a marketplace of imported goods.

International Bayfest is a designated project approved by the Green Bay Public Schools for service learning. To sign up to become a volunteer please contact us at **(920) 435-5220** or **info@artserventsinc.com.**



May weather...

wild and mild



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

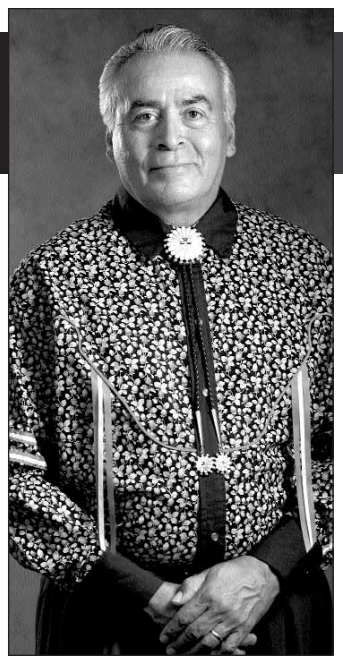
Above:Patrol Officer Dale Metoxen of the Oneida Police Department directs traffic on Hwy 54 after a storm knocked out electricity to the Norbert Hill Center and Oneida One Stop Thursday, May 11th.
Below: Trees at the Oneida Apple Orchard on Hwy 54 were in full bloom a few days later.





Legislative Review

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Sagoli!

Recreational and social activities throughout the community increase, especially during the summer months. One recreational option provided to the elders in our community is utilization of the programs provided by the Elderly Services Department. Their mission is *". . . to assist our elders to maintain an independent, healthy, productive and quality lifestyle through love, caring and respect by the services we provide."*

Florence Petri is the Program Director of Elderly Services, and she attributes the programs' successes to the 42 employees who work every day to support the elders. This program provides a wide array of community-based services which include: *congregate & home delivered meals, access to a Benefits Specialist, Respite Care, In-home & Home Chore, Advocacy, DRUMS newsletter, arts & crafts, special events, access to the Family Fitness Center, on-call Emergency Services, Lifeline, Senior Companion & Foster Grandparents, transportation services, elder abuse assessment & referral, senior employment training, Alzheimer's Support Group, Out Reach, emergency home repair, loan closet, and general volunteer services.*

Assistance to the elders in our community is greatly enhanced through these programs, for example, meals are prepared and served at the elderly meal site located at 134 Riverdale Dr. and there is little to no cost for these meals. The *"Meals on Wheels"* program also provides an alternative way for home bound elders to enjoy healthy and balanced meals. Both meal programs provide lunch Monday - Thursday and breakfast on Friday.

Additionally, special events and activities are planned on a regular basis and include bingo, baseball games, holiday meals or exercise routines at the Family Fitness Center. Elderly Services not only coordinates these activities, in most cases they also provide transportation.

On staff at Elderly Services is a Benefits Specialist, who works in coordination with Oneida Social Services to help eligible participants with the development of wills and power of attorney, filing paperwork with other state and federal government programs such as Social Security, Medical Assistance, and Energy Assistance. Of course all of these services would not be possible without the support of community volunteers.

The Oneida Faith in Action Coalition is one of the organizations which contributes to the success of Elderly Services. Faith in Action volunteers provides assistance with grocery shopping, companionship, respite and light routine housework/labor needs of community elders. Who can better understand our elders' needs than another elder? The Senior Companions & Foster Grandparents consist of elders 60 years of age and older, who volunteer their time by visiting home bound elders and assisting with referrals to the Elderly Services staff.

I encourage our community members to reach out and follow the example of our elders by extending your volunteer services on a regular basis to areas of need. For more information about the programs offered by Elderly Services or to volunteer, please call 869-2448.

Yaw^ko

Treasurer's Report

Greetings,



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

FY 2006 Budget

The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting.

The second quarter of FY2006 closed at the end of March and the variances were reported to the Business Committee on May 10, 2006. At this meeting, my office presented a new Treasurer's Report format to the Business Committee and we will continue to work on revising it to best meet their needs. In addition, we are actively seeking input from the organization on the types of information that is important for them. With this input, we will work on a different version of the Treasurer's Report to best meet the employee's needs. As of the close of April 2006, the organization is performing better than budget. Any areas that are outside variance guidelines will continue to submit detailed information in regard to their variances and how they will impact the budget at the end of the fiscal year.

FY 2007 Budget

The FY2007 budget process is underway and information has been communicated to the business units on deadlines for submission. According to the schedule, the business units will enter all of their information into the financial system by June 1st. The consolidation and reconciliation process will begin the week of June 12th and the FY2007 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council review is tentatively scheduled for August 26, 2006. The timing for this years budget process was placed on hold in anticipation to incorporate part or all of the National Balanced Scorecard (see below for more detail information). Due to the delays with the balanced scorecard process and the need for communication and input in this process, it was determined that the budget process could not be delayed any further.

Balanced Scorecard

The Nation continues to work progressively on the Balanced Scorecard. The Balanced Scorecard is a tool to help us reach our vision. It is a strategic management system to create awareness of our Vision, to focus energy and resources on our priorities, to improve accountability and to more effectively and efficiently meet the needs of our people. The Business Committee approved the National Balanced Scorecard on April 12th, 2006. The National Balanced Scorecard sets high level strategic direction and priorities. The next and most important step is to communicate and receive input from the organization and the membership. After this step is complete and there is no need for major adjustments, the development of departmental scorecards will begin for inclusion in the FY 2008 budget process. It is a very exciting time knowing that we are so close to implementation. I would just like to Thank everyone that participated in the development of the National Balanced Scorecard. There are too many people to thank individually but you did a great job. I know that it was not always easy but you kept at it and understood the importance of completion, Good Job!!

Congrats!

I would like to extend congratulations to all of the 2006 graduates, ranging from Head Start program graduates, the Oneida Nation Elementary and High School graduates, and all higher education graduates. You are to be commended for your commitment and dedication to education. Congratulations!

Community Information

The Oneida Carnival will be held on June 2nd and 3rd at the Norbert Hill Center grounds. This event is open to the public and I encourage everyone to come out and enjoy time with family, friends, and the community. The Oneida Nation Elementary graduation will be held on Friday, June 9th at 1pm in the Oneida Nation Elementary School gym. The Oneida Nation High School graduation will be held on Friday, June 9th at 6pm at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend! Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

Yaw^ko
Mercie L. Danforth

LETTERS...

Edwin King Sr. Tournament

I would like to personally thank the following individuals and organizations for their support and contributions for the Edwin King Sr. Basketball Tournament held May 6 & 7, 2006

Edwin & Lillian King, Ron & Diane King, Ed & Diana King , Bruce & Sherry King, Mike & Ingrid King, Marilyn King, Al King, Patrick & Lisa Madrid, Gary Smith, John Powless III, Michelle Powless, Oneida Tribe, Nature's Way Tissue Corporation, Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, Oneida Housing Authority, Coca-Cola, Oneida Business Committee, NAIG Fundraising Group

Also a big thank you to the community for your attendance and support for all the teams. Congratulations to Indian Ave, Oneida Skins, and War Hoops for placing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd respectively.

Yaw^ko
Dionne Jacobs

Truths & Myths about the Oneida Language Program

I am currently a language trainee at the language house and along with seven other community members we are currently involved in trying to save the Oneida language from extinction here in Wisconsin. For a many years this community has had a language program in one form or another since the 70's. The goal of course was not only to introduce Oneida language to our community members but to try to produce speakers and thus preserve our language for posterity.

It wasn't until the mid 90's that a formal language program was established under the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department. It was that program that formalized Oneida language learning and provided our community with classes on a limited basis for those departments within the organization that were interested in learning.

Why should I learn Oneida language? How will learning Oneida help me as I move through my life? These are the two primary questions that beg to be answered. First of all learning Oneida is about identity, it's who we are and what separates us from the 9 billion or so other inhabitants of this turtle island. Secondly it is the key to our continued sovereignty as a nation, we could not be federally recognized as a sovereign nation without it. Its been said we need a land base to be sovereign and it's also been said we need laws be sovereign and while I do not dispute those ideals that's only part of the puzzle, our language and our culture are what truly complete the picture and define who we are as Oneida people, separate and distinct from all others.

Our goal here at the language house is to try to produce functional speakers of the Oneida. At this point it is important to note there are three levels of language acquisition, functional, conversational and fluent and care must be taken not to confuse the three.

Function is being able to ask, understand and answer relatively simple questions. Conversational is a bit more advanced and requires as wider range of vocabulary, however speaking is more free flowing and of course fluent is the ability to converse on any subject anytime, anywhere.

In 2004 we were fortunate to be able to bring to our community, Mary McDonald whose first language is Mohawk. Her credentials as a speaker, teacher and linguist are impeccable. She has taught Mohawk, Onondaga and now Oneida and those of us currently under her tutorship are indeed grateful for the opportunity to learn from her. In April of 2004 we embarked on a journey that will after all former attempts finally be able to produce functional speakers of Oneida. Language acquisition is something that has eluded us all these years but now with the help of Ms. McDonald we understand the roadmap of where to begin, what building blocks along the way and all of the steps along the way in order to learn to speak our language .

A necessary step although unfortunate for the community has been the secession of classes that we use to provide. As difficult as this was to implement we needed to do this in order that all of our time could be focused on learning without the distraction of trying to teach at the same time.

Since that time however, we have been required to take on more than just learning Oneida. We have been asked to acquire teaching methods, which include lesson planning, classroom management and other facets of teaching, production of materials for distribution to the community, to become proficient in soft ware applications in order to produce those materials and curriculum writing . Essentially this is a four year college degree program compressed into a much shorter time span. In fairness though I have to say these tasks are all included in our job descriptions albeit written without realizing how complex this language is.

Nay sayers within our community who have neither bothered to come to see what we are doing or to acquaint themselves with our program but have instead relied on rumor, innuendo and gossip have said we are learning Mohawk and not Oneida which is totally false. Its also been said "why should we get paid to learn the language that is our birth right to speak." I need to dispel these vicious and unfounded rumors. As to the first, we have two Oneida speakers on staff and in class daily to insure that the words being taught are indeed Oneida. Although the two languages are somewhat similar our speakers insure that we get Oneida words, meanings and pronunciation and our teacher is the first to accept their interpretation before proceeding. Why we're being paid to learn is relatively basic, the jobs were created by OCHD and sanctioned by HRD. Had this not been done, who could devote the time and effort necessary to teach what takes a lifetime to acquire? We have identified only a handful of elders with in our community who because Oneida is their first language would be able to devote the time teach us, but because of health or age considerations would be unable to teach us quickly enough in order to avoid the inevitable extinction of our language here in Wisconsin. Finally I have now heard that because we speak and understand a little bit more than everyone else in the community we have become arrogant and feel we are better than everyone else. This is a big assumption that has no substance. Our only goal is to save our language here in Wisconsin and if you could see the passion everyday as I do of those trying to learn the language you would be moved by such commitment. With the help of Mary McDonald, Leander Danforth, Vera Wilson and others, you the Oneidas of Wisconsin will soon be the beneficiaries of what we will have learned.

Richard Baird

Personal Damages to Non-Tribal Property

To Legal and Administrative Oneida Tribal Offices and local media,

To conceive the crocks of this letter is to know the number of times the farm livestock have been allowed to wonder upon the landowner's private property and constantly damage personal property. The damages exceed $4,000.00 for sculpture damage, basket and personal purchased artwork, tree seedlings trampled and eaten, landscaping repair and reseeding, eating of clothing and removal of manure. When the client reported the amount of manure to be removed the staff at the farm laughed and made jokes, today there are no jokes in this letter. Never receiving apologies until after the approach of the landowner to the neighboring farm nor compensation for years of damages, this is the reason for this letter!

It is this private landowner; non-tribal members experience that within social systems, Fuqua and Newman (2002), states are to influence individuals and are to be under human control. There is to be encouragement, enabling, and empowerment of individuals to take responsibility for the social systems in which they live in.

Consider the observations of Winum, Ryterband, and Stephenson (1997): "Despite all the talk and expense, most organizational change efforts have not achieved the intended result. Where as the organization can be locked into a perpetual pattern that neither creates and maintains errors and, consequently, ensures that nor further learning can occur.

According to Griffen,

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Letters

Letters & Opinions...

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O'Leary,-Kelly, & Collins, (1998), in the past 10 years, the unprecedented financial growth in the United States and your Oneida Nation might have led one to expect that organizational life is good. Not so. The increased level of technology in communications and production has contributed to an increased sense of personal isolation for many workers, which can also stimulate stress while distancing access to traditional sources of social support. The indirect of lack of support to your private landowner neighbor is a reflection of this insensitivity.

Damage to adjacent property from livestock of your property is the responsibility of your inept social system.

Possibly interventions of consulting psychologists may offer self-reflection toward ownership of your actions, or lack of, to accept responsibility, as shared by Gibson and Chard, (1994). Could it be due to the lack of inclusion within your organization that your principles are not involved in organizational consultation towards ownership of ineptness? The property damages done for 5 consecutive events shows the lack of respect and honor of owning up to accountability from your livestock. Intervention and inclusion must be adhered to for monitary resolution!

According to Rhatigan (1996), there are elements of a caring organization. Gratitude, being thankful should remind us of the many blessings, not earned, but are rather, the product of people in your presence and past. The lack of gratitude toward neighbors within the Oneida Tribal boundaries shows. Could it be the workers are not asked what is good about this place? What are you O'Leary,-Kelly, & Collins, (1998), in the past 10 years, the unprecedented financial growth in the United States grateful for in this organization? Lack of pride in the workplace is the lack of gratitude.

Another element is forgiveness. Fugua and Newman say people are often unaware of the structure of the organization they exist in and are often isolated in ways that discourage them from understanding their interrelationships with other units. Many organization's management,

administration and labor are asked about forgiveness to be an important part of the working culture. The response if to be very quiet. This quiet, maybe within the tribal work ethic is a reflection on the realization that significant responsibility in situations may be an unforgiving culture.

Compassion. It is the sensitivity to the experiences of others. Unfortunately, Fugua and Newman further state personal suffering can be interpreted as a competitive advantage or social sport in the absence of functional compassion.

Charity. This is benevolence at the philosophical level. Is it your Nation, as you call it accepting responsibility that one has the power and opportunity to give is a life-changing experience. In turn, it will change organizations. Encouragement, sensitivity, community, tolerance and inclusion are a few more words heard from Oneida public ceremonies. Could it be elements are heard and spoken but not practiced within the walls of executive sessions?

The reigns are in your hands to guide these issues to a consorted agreement.

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Kenneth Brickman
Metoxen



NOTICE

2006 Election Caucus

Scheduled for

Monday • June 5, 2006

6:00 p.m.

Business Committee Conference Room • Norbert Hill Center

NOTE: ***Those individuals nominated at Caucus MUST be present to accept nomination***

2006 Election Vacancies

Oneida Appeals Commission

Four (4) vacancies

Three (3) w/ 3-year terms
One (1) I-year remaining term

Oneida Gaming Commission

One (1) vacancy – 5-year term

Oneida Land Commission

Seven (7) vacancies

Three 3-year terms
(3 candidates receiving highest # of votes)
Two 2-year terms
(2 candidates receiving next 2 highest # of votes)
Two 1-year terms
(2 candidates receiving next 2 highest # of votes)
(In the event of a tie vote, a coin toss shall determine which candidate shall serve the longer term)

Oneida Nation Commission On Aging (ONCOA)

Three (3) vacancies – 3-year terms

Oneida Land Claims Commission

Two (2) vacancies – 4-year terms

Oneida Trust Committee

One (1) vacancy – 5-year term

Oneida School Board

Four (4) vacancies

(2 at large & 2 parent positions) – 3-year terms

Qualifications for Commission posts

Oneida Appeals Commission:

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
b. Must be 21 years of age or older.
c. Candidates shall not have been convicted of a felony.
d. If elected, a Judicial Officer cannot be an administrative staff person for the Oneida Tribe as set forth in Resolution 3-20-92-A or any future limiting resolution.
e. If elected, a Judicial Officer cannot join or maintain membership on any other Oneida Tribal Board, Committee or Commission.
f. All applicants running for office of the Oneida Judicial system shall be subject to a background check before their names are placed upon election ballots and must be bondable.
g. All Judicial Officers are subject to the Judicial Code of Conduct.
h. Sitting Judicial Officers cannot become a candidate unless their current elected term is expiring.

Oneida Gaming Commission:

Note: This is a corrected version from the previous issue of the Kalihwisaks

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin and 21 years of age or older.
b. Must have a minimum of five (5) years or any combination of the following.
 1) Post-secondary education
 2) Gaming training
 3) Gaming experience in one (1) or more of the following areas:
 a) Gaming regulations
 b) Gaming operations
 c) Gaming licensing
 d) Auditing
 e) Gaming laws or Indian law
 f) Administrative hearings or decision making
 g) investigations
 h) Surveillance
 i) Law enforcement
 j) Business administration or Business management
c. All candidates for Oneida Gaming Commissioner shall consent to a thorough background investigation conducted by the Oneida Tribe and completed prior to placement on the ballot.
d. Prior to placement on the ballot, all candidates shall disclose all conflicts of interest as required by the Oneida Conflict of Interest Policy.

No individual shall be eligible for election to or continue services on the Commission if:

1. Individual has been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to any of the following offenses and the conviction has not been pardoned by th Tribe or otherwise removed from the record by executive pardon or state court order:
 a) A felony
 b) Any offense involving fraud or misrepresentation
 c) Any gaming-related offense, including a violation of the provisions of any State gaming law made applicable to the Tribe pursuant to the Compact or a Tribal gaming law
2. Prior activities, criminal record, reputations, habits or associations pose a threat to the public interest, threaten the effective operation of gaming or enhance the dangers of unsuitable, unfair, illegal practices, methods or activities in the conduct of gaming;
3. Has a present interest in the conduct of any gaming enterprise or in any business which provides goods or services to a gaming operation of the Tribe, or he/she has any personal business or legal relationship which places him/her in a conflict of interest as defined in this Ordinance or the Tribal Conflict of Interest Policy;
4. Has been convicted of a crime involving theft, fraud or conversion against the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; or
5. Has been removed from office pursuant to the Oneida Removal Law.

Oneida Land Commission:

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
b. Must be 21 years of age or older on the day of election.
c. Must be a resident of Brown or Outagamie County.
d. Must not be employed by Division of Land Management.

Oneida Nation Commission on Aging (ONCOA):

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
b. Must be 55 years of age or older on the day of election.

Oneida Land Claims Commission:

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
b. Must be 21 years of age or older.
c. A member cannot serve in the capacity of the consultant, contractor, staff person of the Oneida Land Claims Commission, or attorney assigned to the Oneida Land Claims Commission.

Oneida Trust Committee:

a. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
b. Must be 21 years of age or older.
c. Must live on or near the Oneida reservation (within the external boundaries or in a surrounding community).
d. Once elected, members must complete the Trust Committee Member Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form and the Non-Disclosure Agreement and members must be able to obtain a fiduciary bond.

Oneida Nation School Board:

a. Must be enrolled members of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
b. Parent positions must be parents/guardians of children enrolled in the Oneida Nation School System.
c. At-Large positions must be community members but do not need to have children enrolled in the Oneida Nation School System.

Recreation Highlights

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

PACE eases arthritis with exercise

By: Eric Frantz
Fitness Specialist a

While often referred to as if it were a single disease, arthritis is actually an umbrella term used for a group of more than 100 medical conditions that collectively affect nearly 70 million adults and 300,000 children in the United States. While the most common form of arthritis, Osteoarthritis ../../conditions/DiseaseCenter/oa.asp(OA), is most prevalent in people over 60, arthritis in its various forms can start as early as infancy. Some forms affect people in their young-adult years as they are beginning careers and families and still others start during the peak career and child-rearing years.

The common thread among these 100-plus conditions is that they all affect the musculoskeletal system and specifically the joints, where two or more bones meet. Arthritis-related joint problems include pain, stiffness, inflammation and damage to joint cartilage (the tough, smooth tissue that covers the ends of the bones, enabling them to glide against one another) and surrounding structures. Such damage can lead to joint weakness, instability and visible deformities that, depending on the location of joint involvement, can interfere with the most basic daily tasks such as walking, climbing stairs, using a computer keyboard, cutting your food or brushing your teeth.

For many people with arthritis, however, joint involvement is not the extent of the problem. Many forms of arthritis are classified as systemic, meaning they can affect the whole body. In these diseases, arthritis can cause damage to virtually any bodily organ or system, including the heart, lungs, kidneys, blood vessels and skin. Arthritis-related conditions primarily affect the muscles and the bones.

Together, arthritis and related conditions are a major cause of disability in the United States, costing the U.S. economy more than $124 billion per year in medical care and indirect expenses such as lost wages and production - and costing millions of individuals their health, their physical abilities and, in many cases, their independence. Unless something changes, the picture is going to get worse. As the population ages, the number of people with arthritis is growing.

If you have arthritis, it is important to keep your muscles as strong as possible. Strong muscles can help to support and protect your joints, and can help to alleviate pain. To grow stronger, it is important to engage in a program of regular exercise. This can help with a number of things: restore and preserve flexibility and strength, protect joints from further deterioration, keep bone and cartilage tissue strong and healthy, improve your coordination and endurance, increase energy and decrease fatigue, improve functioning of daily living activities, and elevate your self-esteem.

At Oneida Family Fitness, we have a number of programs and ways to exercise to help you stay strong and improve your quality of life. We are proud to offer the PACE (People with Arthritis Can Exercise) Program for both land and aquatic exercise through the Arthritis Foundation. With recommendations from your doctor, you can begin an exercise program to help you get stronger and ease your pain from arthritis. Call Eric Frantz or Ryan Engel at **490-3730** for more information.

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Ryan Engel



Photo submitted by Oneida Family Fitness

Ryan Engel is a Lead Fitness Specialist who is involved with the arthritis program held out at the Anna John Nursing Home and Elderly Services. He is originally from Bonduel and graduated from Mount Scenario College.

As an employee of Oneida Family Fitness for over three years, I would like to tell you a little about myself. I am originally from Bonduel, and graduated from Bonduel High School in 1993. I now live in Cecil which is about 25 miles west of Green Bay with my wife Deni and sons Bryce and Garrett. We also have a third child due in June. I graduated from Mount Scenario College in Ladysmith, WI in 1998 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree with a Primary Concentration in Exercise Science and a Secondary Concentration in Business. My internship through college was as a weight room supervisor. As a student, I was involved in playing three years of college football and two years of baseball. I also helped coach my high school freshmen football team. Through my education and experience, I have gained knowledge of the health and fitness industry. Outside of work, I have many hobbies I enjoy such as playing golf on the weekends, baseball, basketball, hunting and snowmobiling.

As a Lead Fitness Specialist, I am very committed to member satisfaction. I will do all I can to have each and every member set and attain their goals which is the key to success. There are many programs I am a part of here at the Fitness Center. Some of these are the arthritis program which is held at the Anna John Nursing home and also the Elderly Services building. I am here to answer any questions that may arise, because you as a member, need to feel as comfortable as possible.

Oneida Family Fitness Staff

Michelle Mielke.....*Fitness Center Director*
Todd Shelto.....*Fitness Center Assistant Director*
Lori Bembnister.....*Fitness Specialist Lead*
Ryan Engel.....*Fitness Specialist Lead*
David Beiser.....*Fitness Specialist*
Eric Frantz.....*Fitness Specialist*
Tina Jacobsen.....*Fitness Specialist*
Jason Manders.....*Fitness Specialist*
Stefanie Richter.....*Fitness Specialist*
Kevin Schoenebeck.....*Martial Arts Coordinator*
Adam Brown.....*Martial Arts Instructor*
Maureen Cisler.....*Administrative Assistant*
Martina Frechette.....*Administrative Assistant*
Teresa Holschuh-Sieja.....*Aquatics Trainer/Supervisor*
Nicole Cooley.....*Lifeguard*
Orrie Kreuscher.....*Lifeguard*
Teresa Roth.....*Lifeguard*
Susan Majeski.....*Experiential Director*
Mark Steinbach.....*Experiential Coordinator*
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The Mighty Ninjas show off their moves as they're introduced to the basics of Tae Kwon Do.

Fitness Members *for the month of* May 2006…

Ernie Stevens III

Ernie has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for the past eight years. Ernie first began an exercise program because he felt that an active lifestyle was imperative to stay healthy now and in the future. The only obstacle that stands in Ernie's way is the ability to manage time to stay consistent with his workouts. However, he always finds a way to make time to exercise to stay healthy for his family, and to stay healthy as he gets older.

Ernie likes to play basketball, lift weights and use the stair stepper machine for the basis of his exercise routine. These activities have helped him to recently lose ten pounds. Ernie has also been able to perform better on the basketball court. These accomplishments have helped to raise his confidence.

Finally, Ernie's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Motivate yourself every day and stay consistent! Make smaller goals, and then larger ones as you go along!".

Congratulations to Ernie for your hard work and dedication! Keep up the good work!

Cindy Schoen

Cindy has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for ten years. She first began an exercise program because her co-workers made her exercise with them at Oneida Family Fitness. After seeing changes in her body, Cindy continued to exercise to help maintain a healthy body composition and weight. Her only obstacle to maintain this goal was eating a healthy diet. Along with her exercise program, Cindy tries to eat more fruits and vegetables during the day and drink more water.

One of Cindy's biggest accomplishments is running in the Bellin Run 10K Race the past four years. She is currently training for her fifth year, and continues to try to beat her race time from the previous year. Cindy has a very busy exercise routine. She works out four or five days per week for about 45 minutes per day during her lunch break. Cindy participates in a variety of group exercise classes, such as Cardio Kickboxing, Body Bar & Abs, Step Aerobics, and Bootcamp. She also goes for runs and lifts weights on her own from time to time.

Lastly, Cindy's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Believe in yourself that you can make that change and always keep in mind that this change will have you feeling better about yourself and your health! Keep motivating and pushing yourself each day and the results will show!".

Congratulations to Cindy for your hard work and dedication! Keep up the good work!

Local

From Page 1A/*Veteran memorial benefit*

The family of Lori Piestewa – her mom, Percy, dad, Terry and children, Brandon and Carla, were also on hand to greet the many well wishers at the benefit concert.

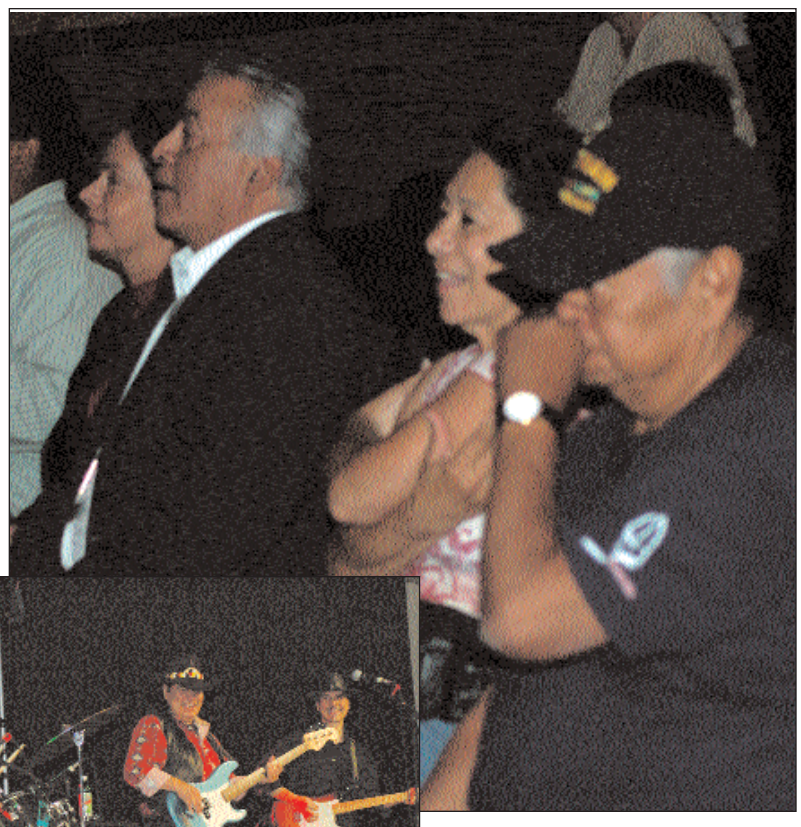
The Piestewas were approached last fall by Bill Williams and Wes Martin, to come to Wisconsin and to extend their stay to attend the Menominee Veteran's Pow wow in Keshena on the same weekend.

Both Percy and Terry say it's an honor to be asked to attend various functions and make every effort possible to participate when asked.

The benefit also provided an opportunity for many locally, to view Lorrie's video honoring native veterans in Indian country. Local Oneida veterans were well represented in the video.

The video can be viewed on Lorrie's web site at www.lorriechurch.com every Thursday evening from 6 to 10 p.m. eastern standard time.

This mission has already begun in Indian country with financial contributions from individuals and various tribes. Lorrie made a point to call attention to the fact that the Wisconsin Oneida and Menominee Veterans Associations took it one step further, by standing united as veterans to do their part. "The challenge has been set for other veteran organizations to come forward to follow suit", said Lorrie.







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Above right, Percy and Terry Piestewa along with Oneida Chairman Jerry Danforth and his wife Pam enjoy the benefit concert. The Flying Feather band (above) was the opening act. Band members include: Wapos, Richie Plass (drums) Waubano, and Wade Fernandez. Not shown is Boogie Conger. At right, Lori Piestewa's children Brandon and Carla take center stage with Lorrie Church.

Culture Days at Oneida Elementary





Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Nation School System held Culture Days May 11th-12th. Students enjoyed traditional Oneida foods such as corn soup and games of lacrosse and long ball. Above: Denise Beans demonstrates finger weaving to Alex Huff and the eighth grade class. Left: Adrian Huff of the seventh grade works with clay to create an Iroquois style pinch pot.

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Local

Passing On

McCormick, Beatrice (Schraa)
February 24, 1924 – April 13, 2006



Beatrice (Schraa) McCormick went peacefully to the Lord on April 13, 2006. She was preceded in death by her husband of 42 years, Jack Schraa (1989) and her second husband, Edward McCormick (1997); her parents Herman Kelly and Bertha (Peters); and her daughter, Denise (Manley) Lunsford (2004).

She leaves behind her daughters, Darlene (Ron Ripol) and Doreen Diedrich. Beatrice has six grandchildren, Valerie, Kyle, Nicole, James, Vincent and Jason and three great-grandchildren, Halo, Jordan and Maggie. Beatrice was from the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin and has many family members still there, including her sister, Irene. She moved to Tucson in 1961 with her family from Oshkosh, WI. Beatrice worked for 27 years at Las Margaritas (Panchos) as a waitress. She was always happy and had a great sense of humor. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Brunette, Antone O.
February 11, 1924 – April 25, 2006

Antone O. Brunette, 67, Green Bay died Wednesday evening at a local nursing home. He was born August 18, 1938 in Oneida. As per his wishes no service will take place at this time. Entombment will take place at Nicolet Memorial Park & Mausoleum. Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, De Pere is assisting the family with arrangements.

Spigell, Ann T.
December 29, 1919 – May 10, 2006



Ann T. Spigell, 86, of Green Bay died Wednesday, May 10, 2006 in La Palma, CA. Born December 29, 1919 to Richard and Lucinda (Hill) Metoxen in Oneida, WI.

Ann spent her life taking care of her children and working as a professional waitress.

Ann is survived by her 5 children Stanley (Loretta) Webster, Barbara Isham, Ronald Webster, Shirley Bennett, and Joan Jones; and 26 grandchildren. Ann was preceded in death by her parents; husband Donald Spigell; 2 daughters Carol Gonzales and Georgia Peterson; 3 brothers Guy, Floyd "Sonny" and Harvey Metoxen; 4 sisters Isabelle, Cecilia Knoll, Della, and Patricia Harms; and grandson Danny Webster.

Visitation for Ann will be TODAY Wednesday, May 17, 2006 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth St, De Pere, Oneida Singers at 6:30 PM Prayer service at 7:00 PM. Visitation continues on Thursday, May 18, 2006 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Oneida, from 9:00 AM until Mass. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 AM. Inurnment will be in church cemetery.

Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Spigell family.

David C. Moore
May 5, 1918 – May 18, 2006



David C. Moore, "Joker", 88, Oneida died Thursday afternoon May 18, 2006 at a local hospital. He was born May 5, 1918 to the late Edgar and Minnie Moore. He was united in marriage to Bernice Skenadore on March 9, 1946. Dave worked in construction for many years as a operating engineer. He was a veteran of WWII having served in the South Pacific in the Army. Dave was a recipient of the Silver Star. He was also a member of Oneida VFW Post 7784. He enjoyed playing Bingo.

Survivors include his children; David (Elaine) Moore, Vaughn (Mary Ann) Moore, Darryl (Bonnie) Moore, Cheryl Smith, Keith Moore, Terry (Keith) Skenandore, Rory Moore, Greg Moore and Terry Lee Black Owl, Neil Moore and Gary Diny, Diane Moore, Kelly (Robin) Moore, Blaine Moore, Stacey Moore, and Dwaynn Moore. 45 Grandchildren, 34 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren, and his sister Daphne DeRain further survive. Bernice's family further survives; Marlene "Mar" and Myron "Chubby" Skenandore, Richard "Unk" Skenandore and Cheryl Ault, Gordon (Judy) Skenadore and Carol Skenadore.

His wife Bernice, his son Loren, his great grandchild Yosaline Smith, and his sisters Verna and Violet preceded him in death.

Friends may call from 5-8p.m. Sunday, May 21, 2006 at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church Oneida, with the Oneida Hymn Singers at 6:30pm and a parish prayer service at 7pm. Visitation will continue after 9:30am Monday at Holy Apostles Church until the Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30am with Fr. Dewey Silas and Deacon Edmund Powless officiating. Burial with full military honors will follow the service in the parish cemetery.

Please go to www.ryanfh.com to express online condolences to the family. The family would like to thank the staff at St. Mary's Hospital. The Oneida First Responders, and County Rescue for all their assistance. The family requests in lieu of flowers, a memorial fund will be established.

New Superintendents to lead DOC correctional facilities

Leaders oversee three minimum-security correctional centers, Sturtevant Transitional Facility

MADISON – Wisconsin Department of Corrections Secretary Matthew Frank today announced new Superintendents have been selected to lead four correctional facilities throughout the system.

"I am extremely pleased that these individuals are bringing their talents and dedication to these management positions," Secretary Frank said. "They oversee facilities that are key to the Department's mission of public safety, holding offenders accountable and promoting successful reentry of offenders from prison into communities across Wisconsin."

New Superintendents include Patrick Melman at Sanger B. Powers Correctional Center in Oneida, Lisa M. Avila at Sturtevant Transitional Facility, Jeffrey Pugh at Oregon Correctional Center and Julianne Wurl-Koth at Gordon Correctional Center. The Superintendents began their new roles April 16, 2006.

"A primary objective at these facilities is to provide offenders with experience through work-release programs, but treatment, education and community service are also important components of these facilities," Secretary Frank said. "These new Superintendents are managing facilities that are on the front line of our agency-wide reentry efforts, ensuring that offenders are not just held accountable for their crimes but also have an opportunity to succeed in the community after they leave prison. More law-abiding citizens means fewer new crimes, fewer new victims and enhanced public safety."

Patrick Melman earned a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. Melman's DOC roots date to 1991, when he began as a Correctional Officer at Racine Correctional Institution and Green Bay Correctional Institution (GBCI). He promoted to a Correctional Sergeant at Kettle Moraine Correctional Institution in 1994 before transferring to the Drug Abuse Correctional Center (DACC) and the Wisconsin Resource Center. He returned to GBCI as Supervising Officer I in 1997 and was promoted to Supervising Officer II in 1998 at Taycheedah Correctional Institution. He returned to DACC in 2000 as a Supervising Officer II. He played a crucial role in DACC's transition to an Earned Release Program. He also serves as a Principles of Subject Control Instructor and chemical agent trainer in the Wisconsin Correctional Center System.

Lisa M. Avila earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She began her career with the Department of Corrections (DOC) in 1994 as a Youth Counselor at Ethan Allen School (EAS), before promoting to Assistant Corrections Unit Supervisor at EAS in 2001 and then to Corrections Unit Supervisor at Racine Correctional Institution (RCI) in 2003. She is involved in a variety of DOC committees and has previous experience working in a segregation unit.

Jeffrey Pugh earned an associate's degree in architectural and structural technology from the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College. He began his DOC career 1993 as a Correctional Officer at Columbia Correctional Institution (CCI) and Oakhill Correctional Institutions (OCI). He promoted to a Correctional Sergeant at OCI in 1994 and then transferred to Jackson Correctional Institution in 1996. He was promoted to a Supervising Officer II at Black River Correctional Center in 2000 and played a critical role in transitioning the center to a boot camp.

Julianne Wurl-Koth earned a bachelor's degree in cultural anthropology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She began her DOC career in 1988 as a Youth Counselor at Lincoln Hills School (LHS), where she also worked as a Social Worker, Institution Unit Manager, Business Manager and, as of 2001, Corrections Management Services Director.

In Loving Memory of

Stella W. (Jacobs) Oman

Forever in our Hearts

May 24, 1926 - June 21, 2004



Our lives will be forever incomplete without her. The memory of her love is her eternal gift to us that will stay with us always and bring us comfort and strength.

Sadly Missed...By Family

Timothy J. Hill

May 21st, 2002



This day is remembered and quietly kept
no words are needed, we shall never forget.

For those we love never go away
They walk beside us every day.

Unseen and unheard but always near,
so loved, so missed, and so very dear.

Tim, every day you are in our hearts, in our thoughts and in our prayers.

With Love, your Family

Mom's First Anniversary in Heaven

Dolly Fish

May 25th…



The month of May comes with sad regret,
It brings back a day we will never forget.
The tears in our eyes we can wipe away.
But the ache in our hearts will always stay.
So many things have happened since you were called away.
So many things to share with you, had you been left to stay.
Birthdays, holidays, marriage, graduations and Mother's Day, birth of a baby boy, too bad it had to be this way.
Life goes on, we know that's true,
But nothing is the same since we lost you!

Deeply loved and sadly missed by…
Larry & Joylyn Cornelius and their children and grand children; Candi, Josanna, Jade, Jenna, Kristy & Caydence, Kyle & Kalanisaks. Burnell & Daryl Reiter Sr. and their children and grandchildren; Darla, Kaylyn, Jermaine, Franny Joy, Melissa, Darylee, Daryl Reiter, Gary & Cheryl Fish and James Fish Sr.

In Loving Memory of....

Leon V. White Sr.

Who passed away one year ago on May 26, 2005



My heart is full of memories,
With pride I speak your name.
Though life goes on without you,
It will never be the same.

Behind my smile there's many a tear,
For you I loved so very, very dear.
There's an empty place no one can fill,
I miss you now and always will.

You will always be in my heart, Dad!

All My Love,
Kalene & the Boys

In Loving Memory of

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May 26th (1 year)



Knowing one Sweet day, I will see you again!

Dearly missed by daughter, Michelle

Local

Musicians sought for new Oneida Community Band

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks



Photo courtesy of the Oneida Community Library

This 1929 photo shows one of many bands that used to perform in the Oneida area. Ben Jahn and Loretta Metoxen hope to create a new community band.

Ben Jahn hopes to revive an Oneida tradition that has been silent for too long.

Tuba player Jahn wants to start a band in Oneida "because it doesn't have one."

"A couple people ask me, they want me to start one because they want to play and they want the whole community to get involved." he said.

The tradition of brass bands stretches from the mid-1800's and influenced Jahn's early years.

"My father introduced it. He couldn't read music, but he liked to sing and he had a lot of friends in that band so he kind of had an ear for music," said Jahn of his father Loomis John (Note: Jahn changed his last name from John). John played violin and mandolin in a dance band.

Jahn played in the East High School band. A year after graduation, he served in the Army in Korea and was able to audition for the 24th Division band where he played for a year-and-a-half.

After his discharge from the Army, Jahn joined the Air Force and played in their band for four years.

"I spent the rest of my military career in electronics, but I played off and on in different little bands on the side." he said.

Jahn has teamed up with tribal historian and french horn player Loretta Metoxen and Beth Bashara of the Oneida Nation Arts Program to work up a list of people interested in joining a community band.

"They're asking for people who have played instruments to come out and join," said Bashara, a former band director.

The trio is also looking for instrument donations.

"The purpose of that community band is to bring back into the community that fellowship of people getting together and having a good time and making music." said Bashara.

Jahn, who currently plays with the Allouez Village Band, wants to have a diverse music list.

"A little bit of everything, classical, marches, movie numbers, a little blues, it would be a mixture, whatever a country band plays, that's what I want to play," he said.

The hope is the band would play at community events such as the Oneida Pow Wow or General Tribal Council meetings and revive the tradition of summer concerts.

"People that really want to play are highly welcome to come and join the band, and it would make Oneida proud to have a band of their own." he said.

Your talent is needed!

If you were in band in high school or can read music and play an instrument, come and join the band. Oneida and friends to Oneida are cordially invited. Please submit a current application

Pick up applications at the Oneida Library, Arts Program cottage or on the Oneida Nation Arts Program website at **www.oneidanationarts.org.** You may also get applications from Ben, Loretta, or Beth. For more information about the band, please contact Beth at **490-3833.**

From Page 1A/*Fishing*

VanderZanden, the eldest of three generations, attended the event with his son and grandson. This was the first year that Reed-VanderZanden attended the Youth and Elder Fishing event. He and his son and grandson had caught two fish when I spoke with him, but they were hoping to get the big one, maybe not today but eventually and then be able to claim his prize. "The Trout tags, that goes on all year, you can come down here fishing. If you still get a tag then you can go get the money," Reed-VanderZanden says. Along with the money for the tagged Trout, other prizes were available Reed-VanderZanden said, "It looks like they got a lot of nice stuff up there: Fishing Poles, nets, hats and tackle boxes."

Reed-VanderZanden spoke of the new lake as a good thing for Oneida and it's members who enjoy outdoor recreation. "Other Indian tribes, they got lakes to go to, and woods to go fishing and hunting. Around here there ain't to much to do, it's nice that the new lake is coming," Reed-VanderZanden states.

The new Oneida Lake site is being funded through Fox River/Green Bay NRDA settlement money, as is scheduled to be completed by 2008.

For more information on the Oneida Lake, see page 9B.



Kali photo/Steve Gandy

Family and friends gathered for a cook-out lunch during Saturdays festivities.

Slow down for speed bumps at ONES



Kali photo/Yvonne Kaquatosh

John Seidl and Cruz Medina, employees with Asphalt Seal & Repair in De Pere pave the way to safe driving at the Turtle school last Friday, May 19. Four speed bumps were installed to encourage visitors to slow down while on school premises.

New Pendleton Blanket...

An Oneida Original

(Oneida, WI) – Oneida Retail and Joint Marketing in collaboration with Pendleton are creating a limited edition blanket that reflects the unique qualities of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

Oneida artists were invited to submit an application, examples of their work, and rough sketches or concepts for the blanket. Six Oneida artists submitted their works, with one artist, Dawn Dark Mountain, selected to advance to the second round and complete her ideas for the blanket.

The first blanket is expected to be completed by July 13, 2006 and will be unveiled during the 20th Radisson Anniversary Gala event. These blankets will not be available to the public for purchase until October 1, 2006, but orders will be taken for the first 250 numbered blankets beginning July 13, 2006. To place an order or request more information please email or call:

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Band and choir earn trophies, fun time in Gurnee

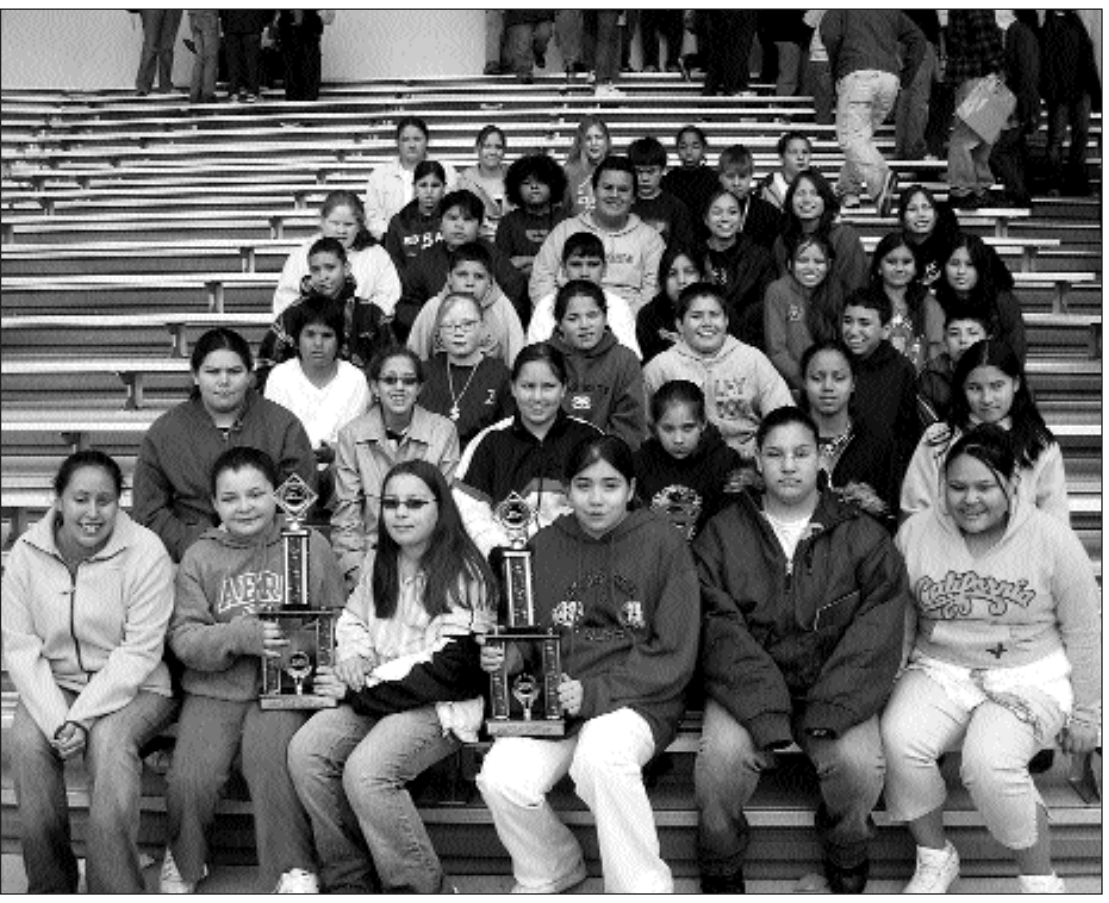


Photo courtesy of Andea Birbilis

5th through 10th grade students from the Oneida Nation Schools System show off trophies earned by the band and choir at Great America in Gurnee, Ill.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Middle and high school band and choir students from the Oneida Nation School System traveled to Gurnee, Illinois to participate in Music in the Park May 12-13th.

"It's probably their best performances of the year," said choir teacher Andrea Birbilis

The young musicians did a performance on May 12th for which they received at 73.6 out of 100 points for a "good" rating.

"We would like to go back next year and this time we would go for competition. We have a chance." said band director Cal Seigrist who noted the Oneida band had a higher rating than some larger schools.

On May 13th, the 5th through 10th grade students went to the Great America Amusement Park for fun and to perform again.

"The kids are already making plans next year for what groups they can get together and how many trophies they can get." said Birbilis.

The music program has been growing steadily for the past few years.

"We're up to almost 40 students and that in of itself is an accomplishment, the fact that they're sticking with us." said Seigrist.

Both instructors noted how well behaved the students were on the excursion which included side trips to Navy Pier and Great America.

"They went down there with class and the came back that way." said Seigrist.

He believes the good behavior the students displayed was learned in part from music class.

"Music is a disciplined subject. The horns come up together, they go down together, they've got to play in tune, they've got to match pitch. Everything you do is a team effort." he said.

Both the band and choir have been asked to perform at the eight grade commencement, to which the students readily volunteered.

"Just about every child put his hand up, 'I'll be there,' and that's after school on the Friday of the last day of school." said Seigirst.

Calendar

EVENTS

June 3

Classic Cruisers of Oneida
10th annual Car Show
WHEN: Saturday, June 3 2006
WHERE: Norbert Hill Center
CONTACT: Jim King at (920) 362-6467
Registration from 7am - 11am, registration fee $8.00, Judging at noon, awards at 4:30pm. There will be 15 show classes.

June 30-July 2

Oneida Pow-Wow
***WHEN*:** June 30 - July 2
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center grounds
***ADMISSION*:** Weekend passes $10.00 Daily Passes $5.00 60 & older and 10 & under are free.

August 4-5

18th Annual Burger Fest & 6th Annual Balloon Rally
WHEN: August 4-5, 2006
TIME: Various
PLACE: Downtown Seymour, Wisconsin
Hot air balloons fly at 6:00pm Friday and Saturday with a balloon glow, and then at 6:00am Saturday and Sunday.
Saturday, August 5th -World's Largest Hamburger Parade 11:00am Hamburger Press Weightlifting Contest, 1:00pm, 60lbs Mini-Burger served at 3:30pm.
Admission is $3 in advance and $6 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. Call **920-833-6688** for tix.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
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Congratulations Oneida Graduates!

Class of 2006





Carl J. Barnes Jr.
"Lawanalakwas"



Gresham High School
Parents: Carl Sr. & Kathleen Barnes

Keshia Belisle



West De Pere High School
Parents: Charles Belisle and Tracy L. Metoxen

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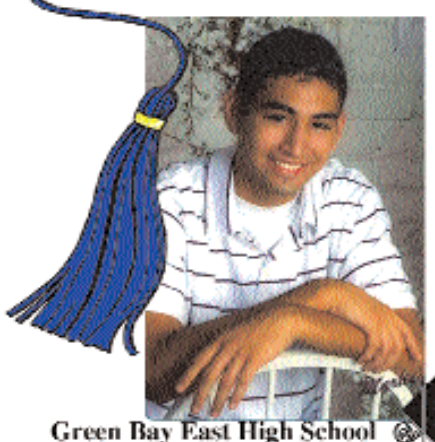
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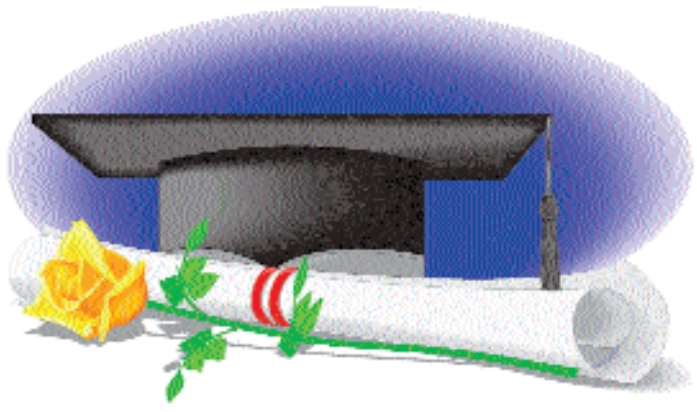


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Oneida Nation High School
Parents: Marlene & the late Harlan Ninham

Bunny O'Claire



Riverside University High
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Elyshia R. Otradovec



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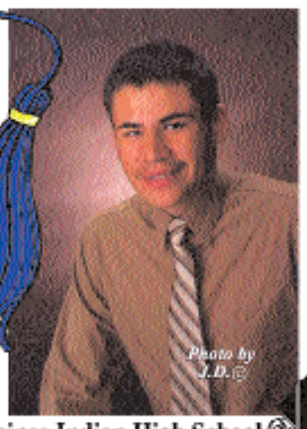
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Ricky Peters



Thomas Moore High School
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Katelyn Reed



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Francis K. Skenandore



Seymour High School
Parents: Christine Skenandore and Michael Nicholas

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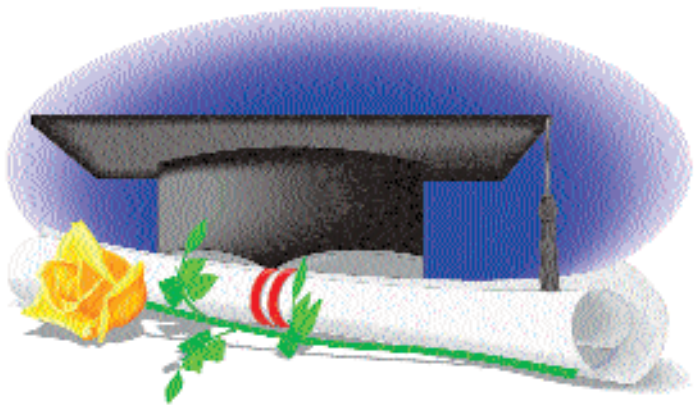


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Isaiah Smith



Oneida Nation High School
Parents: Mike & Lisa Behringer



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Amanda Stevens



Oneida Nation High School
Parents: Tammy Kott and
Glen Stevens Sr.

Amber L. Stevens



West De Pere High School
Parents: Ray & Lyn Stevens

Virgil Stevens



Oneida Nation High School
Parents: Michelle Rutues and
Warren & Lori Stevens

Tiana Thorstenson



Oneida Nation High School
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Thomas Thorstenson

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Parents: Monty & Vanessa Wagner

Olivia R. Webster



Seymour High School
Parents: Isaac & Theresa Cornelius

Alyssa Werner



Crivitz High School
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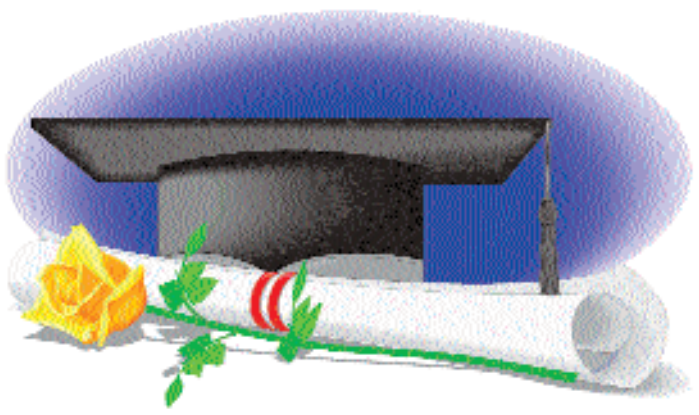


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State/National

Green accepts GOP nomination for governor of Wisconsin

By Ryan J. Foley
Associated Press Writer

APPLETON, Wis. (AP) ~ U.S. Rep. Mark Green accepted the Republican party nomination for governor on Saturday, promising to run a campaign focused on cutting government and reforming education.

Green blamed Democratic Gov. Jim Doyle for standing in the way of property tax freezes and education reform while calling him ``addicted to special interest cash'' from teachers' unions, American Indian tribes and trial lawyers.

Green received a hearty endorsement from former Gov. Tommy Thompson, who said Doyle had turned his back on many of the programs initiated during Thompson's tenure as governor from 1987 to 2001.

"Mark Green is going to make Wisconsin green and great again," Thompson said.

Green, a four-term congressman from Green Bay, said Doyle "just can't seem to grasp the fundamentals of what makes us different, what makes us special, what makes us Wisconsin."

"My friends, I want us thinking big again, not big government, but big ideas, big dreams," he told delegates who gathered at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel here for the state GOP convention.

Green will face Doyle, who is serving his first four-year term, in the general election Nov. 7. Green accepted the nomination as green and white balloons and confetti filled the ballroom and delegates loudly cheered.

Doyle campaign spokesman Anson Kaye dismissed Green's attacks as partisan rhetoric.

"Governor Doyle wakes up every day thinking about real middle-class and working families and how to make their lives better," he said. "Those are the people he's listening to and fighting for ... He's the one moving the state forward."

Free tuition for Wisconsin vets

By Ryan J. Foley
Associated Press Writer

MADISON, Wis. (AP) Wisconsin veterans would be eligible for free tuition at University of Wisconsin campuses and the state's technical colleges under a bill Gov. Jim Doyle is expected to sign on Saturday.

At least two other states - Texas and Illinois - have similar programs, according to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The Wisconsin measure expands a program that started this school year in which the state pays half of tuition and fees for Wisconsin veterans and the full cost for spouses and family members of soldiers killed in action.

The University of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Technical College System warned they may have to charge other students higher tuition to cover the estimated $9 million annual cost.

Scott Kruchten, 31, who was wounded in a roadside bombing that killed four fellow Marines in Iraq in 2004, is already using the 50 percent discount to study Middle Eastern studies and political science at UW-Madison.

"For injured service members in Wisconsin, having the law cover 100 percent of tuition dramatically affects how much money we have to survive on when we go back to school," said Kruchten, who broke a leg, two ribs and a shoulder in the explosion.

Tribal leaders meet to discuss Haskell funding

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) - The day before Haskell Indian Nations University graduated its class of 2006, tribal leaders gathered to find a way of ensuring there are many more.

The school's classroom budget of about $9.1 million a year has lagged inflation for at least four years, leaving several full-time faculty positions vacant and forcing the cancellation of summer school years ago.

"Today was a first step, a good first step," Board of Regents President Gil Vigil, governor of the Taos Pueblo of Tesuque, N.M., said Thursday.

Vigil said Haskell will begin asking more American Indian associations and tribes to add the school to its lobbying priorities, selling the school rather than simply asking for money.

"It's true that Haskell is well known in Indian Country, and that there are a lot of Haskell graduates out there," Vigil said. "But that's not enough. It needs to promote itself."

That's particularly true as bureaucracy set up to promote American Indian affairs has done little to help Haskell, said Joe A. Garcia, president of the National Congress of American Indians.

"It's crazy for us to keep lobbying the Bureau of Indian Affairs. It's crazy for us to lobby the Department of Interior," he said. "They have no control. Ask yourself, do they advocate for us? The answer is no, they really don't."

Other strategies the tribal leaders considered included raising student fees or tuition, creating a "food-work contribution system" for those who can't afford higher fees, and encouraging donations to the Haskell Endowment or the Haskell Foundation, which was forced into bankruptcy in 2000 but has since been restructured.

"I started at the foundation in 1998, and this is the first time we've ever had any money," said Michael O'Leary, the foundation's sole employee.

The meeting of tribal leaders came the day after President Karen Swisher told the Board of Regents that she plans to step down in December or January. Swisher has been the school's president for the past seven years, helping the school through a five-year strategic plan that she said is nearing completion.

Thieves steal Veterans' Social Security numbers

By Hope Yen
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) ~ Thieves took sensitive personal information on 26.5 million U.S. veterans, including Social Security numbers and birth dates, after a Veterans Affairs employee improperly brought the material home, the government said Monday.

The information involved mainly those veterans who served and have been discharged since 1975, said VA Secretary Jim Nicholson. Data of veterans discharged before 1975 who submitted claims to the agency may have been included.

Nicholson said there was no evidence the thieves had used the data for identity theft, and an investigation was continuing.

"It's highly probable that they do not know what they have," he said in a briefing with reporters. "We have decided that we must exercise an abundance of caution and make sure our veterans are aware of this incident."

Veterans advocates expressed alarm.

"This was a very serious breach of security for American veterans and their families," said Bob Wallace, executive director of Veterans of Foreign Wars. "We want the VA to show leadership, management and accountability for this breach."

Ramona Joyce, spokeswoman for the American Legion, agreed that the theft was a concern. "In the information age, we're constantly told to protect our information. We would ask no less of the VA," she said.

Nicholson declined to comment on the specifics of the incident, which involved a midlevel data analyst who had taken the information home to suburban Maryland on a laptop to work on a department project.

The residential community had been a target of a series of burglaries when the employee was victimized earlier this month, according to the FBI in Baltimore. Local law enforcement and the VA inspector general were also investigating.

Nicholson said he does not know how many of the department's 235,000 employees go through background investigations. He said employees who have access to large volumes of personal data should be required to undergo such checks, but he does not believe the VA employee was involved in the theft.

"We do not suspect at all any ulterior motive," he said.

The department has come under criticism for shoddy accounting practices and for falling short on the needs of veterans.

Last year, more than 260,000 veterans could not sign up for services because of cost-cutting. Audits also have shown the agency used misleading accounting methods and lacked documentation to prove its claimed savings.

"It is a mystifying and gravely serious concern that a VA data analyst would be permitted to just walk out the VA door with such information," Illinois Rep. Lane Evans, the top Democrat on the Veterans Affairs Committee, said in a statement signed by other Democrats on the panel.

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., who is a Vietnam veteran, said he would introduce legislation to require the VA to provide credit reports to the veterans affected by the theft.

"This is no way to treat those who have worn the uniform of our country," Kerry said. "Someone needs to be fired."

The VA said it was notifying members of Congress and the individual veterans about the burglary. It has set up a call center at **1-800-FED-INFO** and Web site, **http://www.firstgov.gov**, for veterans who believe their information has been misused.

It also is stepping up its review of procedures on the use of personal data for many of its employees who telecommute.

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Honored

Bend, died Feb. 5, 2005.

Staff Sgt. Todd Olson, 36, of Loyal, of the Wisconsin National Guard, died Dec. 26, 2004.

Marine Pfc. Brent Vroman, 21, of Omro, died Dec. 13, 2004.

Marine Lance Cpl. Richard D. Warner, 22, of Waukesha, died Dec. 13, 2004.

Marine Lance Cpl. Ryan Cantafio, 22, of Beaver Dam, died Nov. 25, 2004.

Marine Sgt. Benjamin Edinger, 24, of Green Bay, died Nov. 23, 2004.

Army Pfc. Isaiah Hunt 20, of Suamico, died Nov. 14, 2004.

Marine Cpl. Brian P. Prening, 24, of Sheboygan County, died Nov. 12, 2004.

Army Reserves Staff Sgt. Todd R. Cornell, 38, of West Bend, died Nov. 9, 2004.

Marine Cpl. Bobby Warns, 23, of Waukesha, died Nov. 8, 2004.

Marine Lance Cpl. Shane K. O'Donnell, 24, of DeForest, died Nov. 8, 2004.

Marine Lance Cpl. Daniel R. Wyatt, 22, of Racine, died Oct. 12, 2004.

Marine Pfc. Andrew Halverson, 19, of Muscoda, died Oct. 9, 2004.

Marine Cpl. Adrian V. Soltau, 21, of Milwaukee, died Sept. 13, 2004.

Army Staff Sgt. Stephen G. Martin, 39, of Rhinelander, died July 2, 2004.

Army Sgt. Charles Kiser, 37, of Cleveland, died June 24, 2004.

Army Spc. Michael McGlothin, 21, of Milwaukee, died April 17, 2004.

Spc. Michelle Witmer, 20, of New Berlin, with the Wisconsin National Guard's 32nd Military Police Company, died April 9, 2004.

Marine Cpl. Jesse Thiry, 23, of Casco, died April 6, 2004.

Marine Pfc. Ryan Jerabek, 18, of Hobart, died April 6, 2004.

Army Pfc. Sean Schneider, 22, of Janesville, died March 29, 2004.

Army Capt. John F. Kurth, 31, of Columbus, died March 13, 2004.

Spc. Bert E. Hoyer, 23, an Army reservist from Ellsworth, died March 10, 2004.

Pfc. Nichole M. Frye, 19, an Army reservist from Lena, died Feb. 16, 2004.

Maj. Christopher J. Splinter, 43, of Platteville, died Dec. 24, 2003.

Army Pfc. Rachel Bosveld, 19, of Waupun, died Oct. 26, 2003.

Army 2nd Lt. Jeremy L. Wolfe, 27, of Menomonie, died Nov. 15, 2003.

Army Spc. Eugene A. Uhl III, 21, of Amherst, died Nov. 15, 2003.

Army Sgt. Warren S. Hansen, 36, of Clintonville, died Nov. 15, 2003.

Army Spc. Paul J. Sturino, 21, of Rice Lake, died Sept. 22, 2003.

Army Reservist Dan Gabrielson, 40, of Frederic, died July 9, 2003.

Army Maj. Mathew Schram, 36, of Brookfield, died May 26, 2003.

Marine Sgt. Kirk Straseskie, 23, of Beaver Dam, died May 19, 2003.

Supreme Court won't hear Cayuga's appeal

SYRACUSE (AP) ~ New York Officials described the U.S. Supreme Court's refusal Monday to review a Cayuga Indian land claim appeal as a decisive victory.

The Cayuga Indian Nation of New York and Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma - joined by the federal government - had asked the nation's top court to reverse last year's dismissal of the land claim and $247.9 million judgment by the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The Supreme Court's decision not to hear the case leaves standing the circuit court ruling.

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On August 11, 1997 The Oneida Trust Committee was directed by the General Tribal Council to present a Tribal Social Security Plan to the General Tribal Council. A motion was made that the Trust Committee work with Bill Gollnick and bring back a comprehensive plan on the Tribal Social Security System. The Community Meetings purpose are to introduce components for the plan. The dates are:

May 25, 2006–Thursday • Parish Hall - 6:00PM to 8:00PM

June 13, 2006–Tuesday • Parish Hall, 6:00PM to 8:00PM

June 13, 2006–Saturday • On-line presentation for SEOTS - 1:00PM

June 22, 2006–Saturday • One-line presentation for SEOTS - 6:00PM

Refreshments will be served at Parish Hall meetings.

Please attend for the information and to provide input. If you have any questions, please call the Trust Department at **(920) 490-3935.**

Memorial Weekend Observances

Saturday, May 27th, 8:00 am: The Oneida Veterans have a G.I. breakfast at the Oneida VFW Post with the Oneida Boy Scout Troops who help with putting out the American Flags at the nine Cemeteries in and around Oneida.

Monday, May 29th: The Oneida Veterans will make the rounds to all the Cemeteries and pay respects with Taps and a 21 gun salute. Booyah lunch at Parish Hall.

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Thunderhawk Times

Oneida Band and Choir Trip to Chicago

By Shaina Powless
ONHS Freshman

The band and choir for the Oneida Nation Middle and High schools took a trip to Chicago and Gurnee, Illinois for a competition called "Music In The Parks" We took this trip on May 12th and came back on the 13th.

On Friday, May12th, the band, choir and all the chaperones had to be at the Turtle School by 6:30 AM. The coach bus we took down there was to depart from the Turtle School by 7:00 exactly to avoid the heavy road construction in Milwaukee and Chicago.

When we arrived in Navy Pier, we went to a mall type thing to look around, eat and go see a movie called Deep Sea 3D in the 80 feet high IMAX theater.

Then we took off from there and traveled to the Holiday Inn, where we checked in and changed for the concert. Choir had black skirts, white shirts and purple vests to wear. Band had to wear black pants and white shirts. We took off to the first school for the band to perform.

We played three songs. One was called "Atlantis Overture." Then we left for the other school for the choir to perform. Choir also performed three songs called "Popular" and "Sing With The Heart Of A Child." Far a warmup song, the choir sang "Sing With Pleasure" with a solo done by myself, Shaina Powless.



Photo courtesy of Andrea Birbillis

Members of the Oneida School System Chorus perform in Gurnee, IL. Both the band and the choral group recieved a "good" rating. Trip participants were praised for both their showmanship and their good behavoir.

We left from there and went back to the hotel where we changed back and had pizza. We also had time to enjoy the pool and have time to yourself.

The next day we got up at 7:30 AM to shower and pack up.

At 8:30 AM we got the bus loaded and took off for Six Flags Great America. Some of the most popular rides all the kids liked were the roller coasters, "Demon," "Superman," "Batman," "Raging Bull," "Vertical Velocity" and "American Eagle."

At 5:00 PM, all the bands and choirs that participated in "Music In The Parks" had to meet up in a big room at Six Flags for the awards ceremony.

Oneida Band got a trophy for their performance and a rating of "good." The Oneida Choir got a trophy also with a rating if "good."

Everyone had loads of fun and everyone got home at about 9:30 PM Sunday night.

Some of the chaperones that came along were Dale Mueller, Susan White, Calvin Siegriest, Mixie Hill, Andrea Birbillis, Vicky Matson, Tom Pivovar, and 1his wife Jane Pivovar.

MI3 Review Just 2-1/2 Stars

By Scott Lynk
ONHS Senior

If you've seen the first Mission Impossible, or even the second one, story-wise it's pretty much the same. In this one, Tom Cruise as Ethan Hunt, gets to play with new high tech spy gadgets, save the girl, be funny, infiltrate buildings that aren't supposed to be infiltrated, get backstabbed, almost die more than once, and save the girl again.

This movie was alright but when did the matinee become $6.00? I guess that is better than paying $8.75 for the evening showing.

I give this movie 2-1/2 stars out of 5.

Like those Gummy Bears? Here's a little Info!

By Earl Elm
ONHS Junior

Gummy Bears are a very popular candy. They originally came from Germany and the guy who made them was Hans Riegel. He was a candy maker who lived in Bonn, Germany.

The bears were made in 1922, but were originally called the dancing bears. He and his wife, Gertrude, made them in his factory and his wife would get on her bike and go around selling them to people. Everybody fell in love with the dancing bears.

The first factory in the U.S. was built in 1982. German teachers would often give their students samples of the dancing bears to their students, creating their popularity in the states.

The demand for bears was so high that the company eventually put up a factory in Iowa.

Culture Days a Success

By Doug Reed
ONHS freshman

The Oneida Nation School System held its annual Culture Days on May 11 and 12. On the first day, Thursday, the high school had a power black out so the high school students who rode buses had to go to the Turtle school for the afternoon.

At the Turtle school, the high school students either watched a movie called National Treasure or worked with teachers and students on culture day activities. High school students who had their own transportation, were allowed to leave after they signed out.

The culture day activities included long ball, log peeling, cooking, fishing, smoke dancing, peace stone game, beading, bingo, fish and whale tag, clay making. The culture days really went well.

Some of the smaller kids learned how to smoke dance.

High school staff member, Cindy Thomas, did claymaking with third, fourth and fifth grade students who really liked playing with clay because it got them really dirt. It was over their faces. They looked kind of cool.

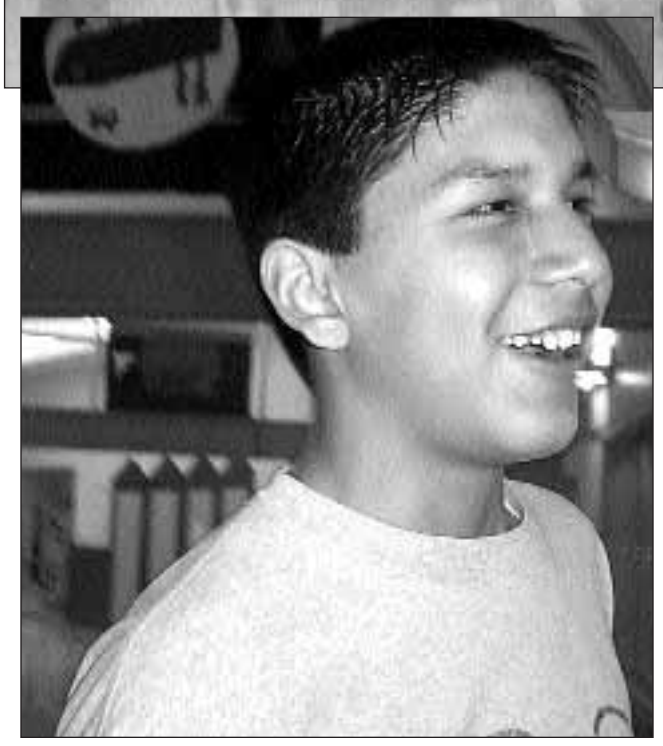
The home ec room was used for making fry bread.

Staff member Linda Nockideneh had the peach stone game going on in her room with the fifth graders. Those students told me they really had fun.

Brandon Joy, a student at the Turtle school, was one of the kids who said he "really liked culture day." This was the first time he had heard of culture days and he said he would "go and do it again next year if they have it." He really had "a lot of fun," he said.

Schyler is Brandon's little brother. He was a good smoke dance for his first year at the Turtle School. He was shown how by some other kids and he picked it up very well.





THT Photo/Garret Miller

Above: Oneida Nation High School sophomore Jasmine Metoxen teaches Turtle School students the smoke dance as part of the Oneida Nation School System's annual culture days.
Left: Oneida Nation High School freshman Cameron Stevens smiles as he looks on Turtle School children playing as part of the Oneida Nation School System's annual Culture Days. Culture Days held its annual event on May 11 and 12 at the Turtle School

Re-Thinking Elvis

by Joe Christjohn, ONHS junior

Elvis' was influenced by the pop, R & B, gospel and country music of the time.

In 1954 he began his singing career with the legendary Sun Records label in Memphis. In late 1955 his recording contract was sold to RCA Victor. By 1956 he was an international sensation. He had a sound and style that uniquely combined these diverse musical influences. His music also challenged the social and racial barriers of the time and helped usher in a whole new era of music and popular culture.

Some Elvis facts:

-He starred in 33 movies.

-He has sold over one billion records, more than any other artist.

-His American sales have earned him gold platinum or multi platinum awards for 150 different albums and singles, far more than any other artist.

-He had 14 grammy nominations and 3 wins.

-He made 81 albums and that's a lot!

It's no wonder that he's called "The King of Rock and Roll."

Another Look at Culture Days

By Garret Miller (aka Kato)
ONHS Freshman

Culture Days were held May 11 and 12. ONHS freshmen, Doug Reed and yours truly, Garrett Miller, were asked to take pictures and have a report done by the May 17.

On the 11th we were ready to leave to go across the street, but our electricity went off due to the bad weather. The winds were very high. So we could not leave the Norbert Hill Center. So, Denis said that the two of us would have to wait. Then, Lyle Metoxen, said "I will bring them over there to culture days." Lyle is our liaison officer from the Oneida police department. So Denis said "ok." We had to ride in the police car over there. (We did not have to get handcuffed.) When we got over there Lyle let Doug and Garrett out.

Inside, we got out our cameras. We split up and went our own ways. There was long ball, smoke dance, peach stone game, k^tsi ko, Indian foods, trivia, fishing, bingo, pottery, beading. Despite of our gooood behavior, Yvette had us escorted wherever we had to go – like to get a drink or go to the restroom.

When we were taking pictures, the rest of the high school had came over. Some of them went home if they had a ride.

My father, Fuzzy Miller, came and picked me up from the Turtle school.

On the 12th, we had a half a day. I did the same things that I did on the 11 – like take pictures and jot down what they were doing. Then we got to stay if we wanted.

40 % doesn't look so bad

by Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

In a new Harris interactive poll the week of May 11, 1,003 U.S. adults surveyed through telephone calls placed President Bush at a new all-time low for his presidency. When asked the question, do you think the president is doing an "excellent or pretty good" job, only 29% of those surveyed thought so.

Not only does one-quarter of U.S. adults say "things in the country are going in the right direction," but 69% also believe "things have seriously gone off on the wrong track."

The highest concern for the general public, Iraq, with 28% believing it to be one of the most important issues the government should address, followed by immigration with 16%.

After all the issues and scandals driving down Bush's numbers, he can still look on the bright side though – he still hasn't gone below congress, which now stands at 18%.

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Education

ONES students climb to new heights



Photos courtesy of Yvette Peguero



On May 1st and 8th, interested students in grades 2-8, participated in a rock climbing activity after school. The activity was sponsored by the Experiential Education Department.
Top: Shy House begins her accent to the top.
Right: Karissa Cornelius-Wapoose smiles as she reached the peak.

WDP Activities Awards Night

YES Program Class of 2006 Banquet Senior Student Speaker: **Stevi Skenandore**
Culture Club: Marcell Batiste, Keshia Belisle, Devan Cantu, Tyson Cantu, Andrew Dallas, Ashley Dallas, Sheena Danforth, Juanita Fountain, Cory Hill, Cameron Jourdan, Jonas Jourdan, DaBen King, Kara Melchert, Cole Metoxen, Jalessa Schuyler, Brittney Skenandore, Jamison Skenandore, Autumn Webster, Whitney Wheelock; **Co-Presidents** - Autumn Webster & Keshia Belisle, Vice President - Ashley Dallas, Co-Secretarys - Sheena Danforth & Kara Melchert, and Representatives - Jalessa Schuyler & Andrew Dallas: **W.A.I.Y. Group:** Devan Cantu, Sheena Danforth, Cory Hill, Amber Rabitoy, Brittney Skenandore, Yonakwala Scow, Melody Benson, Mindy Raigoza: **Odyssey Staff:** Jessica Verheyen: **Dramatics:** Jerah Doxtator
Other club members are as follows. These youth were not recognized at the Activities Awards evening.
Art Club: Andrew Dallas: **Auto Tech:** Matthew Doxtater and Jondel "JD" Skenandore. **J.D. and Matt were two of 23 students who competed in an automotive competition at Road America in Elkhart Lake on April 24th.: **Band:** Theo Belleau, Jerah Doxtator, Dustin Duggan, Gregg Jordan, Mico Kakwitch, Adam Nishimoto and Jondel "JD" Skenandore **Congratulations to our 6 band students who recently traveled to Texas - Theo Belleau, Jerah Doxtator, Dustin Duggan, Gregg Jordan, Mico Kakwitch and Jondel "JD" Skenandore. These youth participated and competed in concert, jazz and marching band events and competitions. The highlight of the trip was their performance in the Flambeau Night Parade, which is the largest night parade in the country where over 500,000 people saw and heard them perform. WOW!
Co-Ed Track: Giovanni Doxtator: **DECA:** Cory Ninham, Autumn Webster, Tyson Cantu, Cameron Jourdan, Brittany Smith, Laura Wiercinski: **Diversity Club:** Desireah Reyes, Jalessa Schuyler, Amber Rabitoy, Brandon Cornelius, Larissa Cornelius: **Drama Club**: Juanita Fountain, Ashley Dallas, Andrew Dallas, Whitney Wheelock: **Ecology Club:** Jerah Doxtator, Ashley Dallas: **FCCLA:** Sheena Danforth, Desireah Reyes: **FFA:** Brittney Skenandore: **French Club:** Xavier Horkman, Larissa Cornelius, Ashley Dallas: **Freshman Baseball:** Corey Jordan, Mico Kakwitch, Waylon Metoxen, Jose' Zayas: **Gay/Straight Alliance (GSA):** Andrew Dallas, Brandon Cornelius, Tamara Elm: **Golf:** Richard Metoxen, Adam Nishimoto: **JV Baseball**: DaBen King: **JV Softball:** Danielle Denny: **Mr. West De Pere:** Mico Kakwitch: **SADD:** Andrew Dallas, Ashley Dallas, Juanita Fountain: **Soccer:** Brittany Smith, Katy Laroque, Anastasia Stevens: **Student Outreach:** Laura Wiercinski:**Varsity Baseball:** Matthew Doxtater, Brent Kakwitch.: **Varsity Club:** Keshia Belisle, Renae Cornelius, Gerald Danforth, Matt Doxtater, Jerah Doxtator, Gregg Jordan, Brent Kakwitch, Adam Nishimoto, Brittany Smith.

Youth baseball underway

Submitted by by Kyle Casper
Sports & Fitness Specialist

The 2006 Youth Baseball Season will be underway soon. Instruction of baseball skills and sportsmanship will be the emphasis of our leagues this year. We will have 4 levels of play for this year's baseball program. The first level will be the T-ball League. This league will be for 5 & 6 year olds. It will consist of basic baseball instruction using safety balls and with players hitting from a tee. Games will be played on Monday nights beginning June 5th at 5:00 pm.

The next level will be the Pee Wee League. This league will be for 6-8 year olds. It will also consist of basic baseball instruction using safety balls. The difference between this league and T-ball will be that a pitching machine will take the place of the tee. Games will also be played on Monday nights beginning June 5th at 6:00 pm.

The next level will be our Little League. This league is for youth ages 9-12. This game will include baseball instruction but will be more competitive than the T-ball or Pee wee leagues. The kids will be doing their own pitching. Games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday nights beginning May 30th at 5:30 or 7:15 pm.

Our final level of play will be Babe Ruth. This is a competitive traveling team that will play against other area teams. This team will be for players ages 13-15. Their first game will be a home game on May 23rd at 6:00 pm. Other home games will be played on May 30th , June 6th , June 20th, June 21st , June 26th, July 5th, July 11th, and July 12th. May 30th game will be at 7:00 pm and all others will be at 7:30 pm. They will also host a tournament on Saturday, June 10th. League playoffs

CMN honors largest graduating class in 2006

Keshena, WI – College of Menominee Nation's 2006 Commencement ceremony is being held Saturday, June 3 on the CMN Keshena campus. The processional begins at 10:00 am, reception to follow. The public is welcome.

CMN is proud to graduate the largest class in its 13 year history. The graduates have earned Associates of Arts & Sciences, Associates of Applied Science, and Certificates of Mastery.

Former CMN students who have gone on to receive their bachelors', masters' or law degrees will also be recognized, including students from the Northeast Wisconsin (NEW) American Indian Teacher Training Project.

Thomas C. Dorr, Undersecretary for USDA Rural Development in Washington D.C., will give the commencement address.

In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held at the Menominee Indian High School Theater located at N500 Hwy 47-55, Keshena, Wisconsin.

West DePere students speak and co-sponsor tribal youth conference

By Margo Reiter
Oneida YES Youth Advocate-West De Pere High

Over 150 tribal youth representing Oneida, Menominee, Stockbridge-Munsee Mohican and Forest County Potawatomi gathered together to learn more information about issues affecting their communities and their futures.

With many tribal leaders and program directors present, these youth actively participated in discussions regarding Suicide Prevention, ATODA, Healthy Relationships and Gangs, just to name a few. And while most presenters at this conference were adults, the West De Pere High School youth involved in the W.A.I.Y. Group were one of three youth groups asked to participate as presenters as well.

The school district is extremely proud of those youth who participated as presenters from West De Pere High School - Devan Cantu, Sheena Danforth, Brittney Skenandore, Cory Hill and Amber Rabitoy. Joining this group were also three Oneida youth from the Ashwaubenon High School, Yonakwala Scow, Melody Benson and Mindy Raigoza. The youth's involvement helped to instill positive self-esteem, while maintaining a close school relationship. Working collectively with the Bev Scow of Wise Women Gathering Place, these youth assisted in defining to participants the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships. We were very pleased to have her assisting our youth with this presentation. While at the conference they performed a skit for "Discovery Dating" and at the dance Devan Cantu and Cory Hill assisted Bev Sow and Margo Reiter with "Teen Encounter." Facilitating this group of terrific youth is W.A.I.Y. Group Advisor, Margo Reiter.

Another great accomplishment to note is that the West De Pere High School W.A.I.Y. Group donated $500 in support of this conference, understanding that these are serious issues affecting youth. In recognition of this, the West De Pere High School W.A.I.Y. Group was listed as a co-sponsor of this major conference.

Another terrific teen group of presenters were the Oneida YES/Oneida Behavioral Health Teen Suicide Prevention/Intervention Team which consisted of West De Pere - Sheena Danforth, Michael Laroque, Katy Laroque, Emily Laroque and Juanita Fountain; Pulaski - Mitchell Skenandore, Yako Lor-Daniels, Jayleah Kurowski, Clifford Summers; Seymour - Jalessa Caldwell and Amber Menore. These youth, through assistance from facilitators Jackie Ninham, Oneida YES Youth Advocate-Pulaski District and Ken Ninham, Oneida Behavioral Health Team Leader, performed three different skits to the youth in attendance on QPR (Question, Persuasive, Refer) Suicide Training.

Both groups did such a fantastic job that they are now in high demand as youth speakers. Many other tribal programs would like to have these two groups come and present to other tribal youth on these topics and more.

Congratulations to all who attended the conference and presented, everyone did a great job.

Do you know us?



Photo submitted by Barb Skenandore

This photo comes from the Richard Baird Family. It is of a young couple. Richard's parents are Reginald and Carol (Powless) Baird. Richard's grandparents on his father's side are Laban and Hattie (Smith) Baird. His grandparents on his mother's side are Isaac and Margaret (Metoxen) Powless. If you have any information about their identity, please contact the Oneida Library at 920-869-2210 or write to: Oneida Library, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI, 54155.

Teen wins Nano iPod at Career Fair

Submitted by Fawn Billie
Recreation Specialist

"Wanna win a Apple iPod Nano?" Well this is what caught many teen's eyes on Wednesday May 10, 2006. It all went down at the Oneida Health Center for their yearly Oneida Teen Health Careers Exploration. Teens experimented hands on activities such as wearing goggles that impaired your vision of what it's like to be intoxicated. A security officer was there to go through the procedures with the youth of being pulled over for drunk driving. There was also an ambulance on site, and other professions that are currently at the health center. College representatives were available for questions and concerns pertaining to health professions. Oneida Higher Education was also on site for questions or interests in their grant program.

As the evening came to an end, everyone enjoyed pizza, fruit, cookies, and beverages. All teens that participated until the end were entered for door prizes. All walked out with something, including a backpack filled with goodies. Last but not least, was the grand prize...the iPod, which was won by Lola Skenandore of Seymour Middle School. The iPod was donated by Oneida Recreation. Congratulations Lola! Happy Tuning! A big thanks goes out to everyone who made this a successful event.

Scholarship

Jaycees of WI

The Jaycees of Wisconsin Foundation is again offering a $500 scholarship to a deserving student. This scholarship was established in 1993 to honor an outstanding Jaycee who died after a courageous battle with cancer. The Denise Bertucci Memorial Scholarship is meant for the nontraditional student–one who is returning to school after a break in formal education.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, having returned to school after at least two years off. Must be a full time continuing student with at least 2 semesters of school completed since returning. Applicant must have a gpa of 3.0, based on a 4.0 scale. Three letters of recommendation must be included in the application packet.

For more information contact the Scholarship Committee at **jcwfscholarship@netscape.net.** Or contact **Debbie Van Natta**, 2006 Bertucci Scholarship Committee Chairperson, P O Box 1547, Appleton WI 54912. Deadline for applications is June 1 of each year**.**

Purcell Powless Scholarship Fund

In 1989 Purcell Powless established a scholarship fund for Oneida Tribal members pursuing graduate and post graduate studies. The fund provides financial assistance with tuition, fees and required textbooks to students who demonstrate financial need. Applicants may be full-time or part-time students, and must be in good standing at their academic institution. Applicants must apply for other financial aid prior to applying for the Purcell Powless scholarship. Business and Economic majors receive priority in the selection process. For more information or for application materials call the Oneida Higher Education Office at **920-869-4333 or 800-236-2214.**

Oneida Trust Scholarship

The Oneida Trust Scholarship was established as a financial aid resource to assist eligible enrolled Oneida Tribal members in securing higher education opportunities. Students must be attempting to meet post-secondary entrance requirements in order to become officially accepted at an accredited institution. The scholarship may assist with (1) required prerequisite credited classes, (2) post-secondary graduate preparation and admission exams such as GRE, GMAT or LSAT, or (3) related preparatory. Applicants must be enrolled in the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, must have applied for admission to post-secondary institution, must show proof of requirements, must be in academic good standing (2.0 grade point average for undergraduates and 3.0 for graduate students). The Trust Scholarship is a one-time scholarship up to $2,500. Please call the Higher Education Office at **920-869-4033 or 800-236-2214 X 4333**, or contact us on the web at **oneidanation.org.**

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Important Information regarding 2006 Distribution

SECTION ONE: *Types of Per Capita Distributions*

1. Elder 65 Distribution:

- The General Tribal Council passed Resolution 6-30-90-A which directed a cash disbursement of $500.00 per year to tribal members age 65 and over, payments to begin in 1994.
- This payment is perpetual. Commencing with the 2003 payment and every other year thereafter, tribal members age 65 and over will be receiving a 5% inflationary increase. The 2006 Distribution amount is $551.25.
- For those turning age 65 in October, November or December 2006, your Elder 65 monies will be paid at the end of the month following your birthday. Example: If you turn 65 in December 2006, you will be paid at the end of January 2007.

2. Elder 62 Distribution:

- The General Tribal Council passed Resolution 8-11-97-A which directed a cash disbursement of $2,000.00 per year to tribal members age 62 and over, payments to begin in 1998.
- This payment is based on Gaming Compact renewal.
- For those turning age 62 in October, November or December 2006 your Elder 62 monies will be paid at the end of the month following your birthday. Example: If you turn 62 in December 2006, you will be paid at the end of January 2007.

3. General Membership Distribution:

- The General Tribal Council passed Resolution 7-5-04-B which directed a cash disbursement of $800.00 per year to all tribal members, payments to begin in 2005.
- This payment continues until 2013.
- Tribal members are eligible for this payment if they are enrolled as of the deadline indicated by the Tribe, for each payment year.
- The monies for eligible tribal members under the age of 18 are placed into a trust account.

4. Unclaimed 2005 Distributions:

- Please contact the Oneida Enrollment Department as each individual case may vary. The deadline to claim the payment is close of business on Friday, September 1, 2006.
- An FY-2006 Membership Payment Form or FY-2005 Supplemental Membership Payment Form must be filed by the deadline.

5. Minor Trust Account Payments:

- Please contact the Oneida Enrollment Department for more information.

SECTION TWO: *Reporting and Taxation of Per Capita Distribution*

1. All payments are subject to federal income tax and may be subject to state or other applicable taxes.
2. All payments must be reported as income and may affect eligibility for entitlement programs.
3. Please contact your tax preparer, tax consultant or case worker with any questions.
4. Each payment will have a 1099-MISC tax form issued. This includes payments that are attached for child support and/or tribal debt.
5. Tribal members may voluntarily request that 20% of a payment be withheld for federal taxes. This includes tribal members whose payments are attached for child support and/or tribal debt.

SECTION THREE: *Miscellaneous Information*

1. Power of Attorney and Guardians:

- Effective 2004 and every fourth year thereafter, the Oneida Enrollment Department requires that any Power of Attorney (POA) or Guardian for a tribal member must submit acceptable documentation to be recognized.
- Acceptable documentation consists of:
 - A. An original power of attorney document (which will be returned)
 - B. A certified copy of the guardianship document.

2. Attachments:

- Payments are subject to attachments.
- Attachments are defined as "claims on a payment for debts owed".
- Only the following are considered:
 - A. Child Support Arrears
 - B. Tribal Debt
- Requests to make an attachment to a payment must be submitted to the Oneida Appeals Commission ***by close of business on Friday, June 30, 2006.***
- Attachments are honored after an Oneida Appeals Commission decision is received. All questions regarding attachments should be directed to the Oneida Appeals Commission.

3. Address or Name Changes:

- To change the check address of a previously submitted payment form, a NEW FY-2006 Membership Payment Form MUST be completed and returned ***by close of business on Friday, September 1, 2006.***
- To change your name for a payment, a Name Change Request Form MUST be completed and returned by close of business on Friday, September 1, 2006.
- To request forms, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department.

SECTION FOUR: *Payment forms, Instructions and Receipts*

1. Payment Form Mailing:

- FY-2006 Membership Payment Forms were mailed on May 12, 2006 to every tribal member with an address on file.
- To request FY-2006 Membership Payment Forms, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department.

2. Payment Form Receipts:

- It is the responsibility of each tribal member to submit a completed/notarized payment form to the Oneida Enrollment Department by the deadline identified.
- All forms brought into the Oneida Enrollment Department will receive a paper receipt.
- Forms received by any other Tribal Office will not be considered. Forms must reflect the Oneida Enrollment Department date stamp.
- After forms are accepted and processed, a postcard receipt will be mailed to the CHECK address indicated on the payment form. Postcard receipts will be mailed every two weeks. **Please allow time for delivery.**
- If you do not receive a postcard receipt, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department.

3. Payment Form Instructions:

- **No photocopied, faxed, emailed forms will be accepted. Do not use pencil or white out. Do not alter any information (i.e. writing over, scribbling out). Your form will not be accepted!**

Payment Form Deadline

Close of business on:
Friday, September 1, 2006

Checks mailed on:
Monday, October 2, 2006

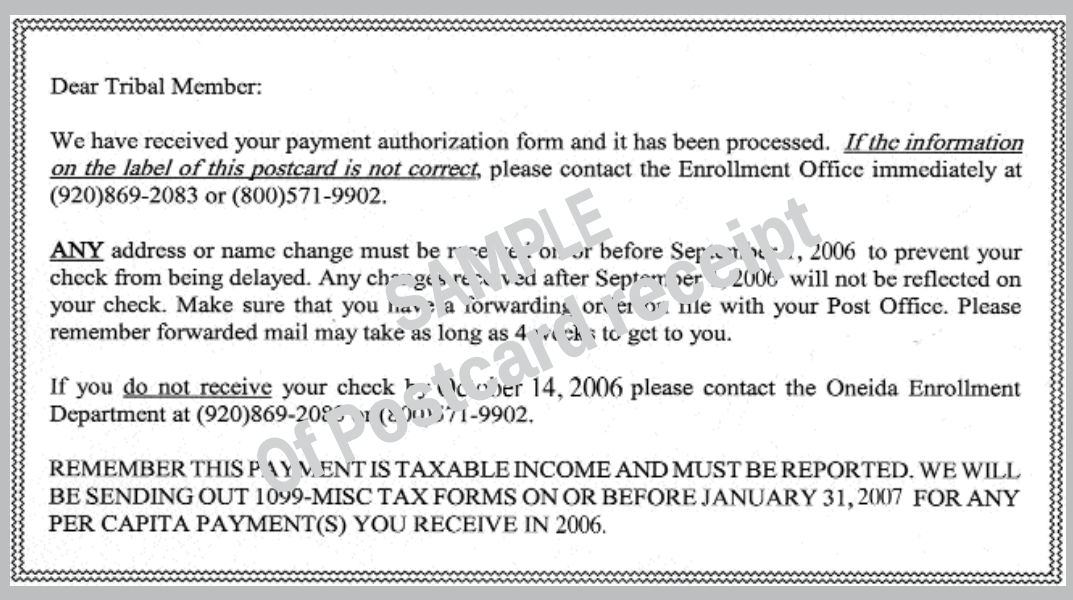
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Contact Information

Oneida Enrollment Department
920-869-2083 • 800-571-9902

Notice to the membership...

It is the intent of the Oneida Enrollment Department to provide as much information as possible regarding the 2006 Membership Distribution. Please read each section carefully. If there are any questions, please contact us. We will work to obtain the information you need.



Dear Tribal Member:

We have received your payment authorization form and it has been processed. *If the information on the label of this postcard is not correct*, please contact the Enrollment Office immediately at (920)869-2083 or (800)571-9902.

ANY address or name change must be received on or before September 1, 2006 to prevent your check from being delayed. Any changes received after September 1, 2006 will not be reflected on your check. Make sure that you have a forwarding order on file with your Post Office. Please remember forwarded mail may take as long as 4 weeks to get to you.

If you do not receive your check by October 14, 2006 please contact the Oneida Enrollment Department at (920)869-2083 or (800)571-9902.

REMEMBER THIS PAYMENT IS TAXABLE INCOME AND MUST BE REPORTED. WE WILL BE SENDING OUT 1099-MISC TAX FORMS ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2007 FOR ANY PER CAPITA PAYMENT(S) YOU RECEIVE IN 2006.

SAMPLE Of Postcard receipt

Health/Environmental

Experts say 2006 may be worst year for Lyme disease

MADISON, Wis. (AP) - A leading entomologist in Wisconsin says there could be a record number of cases of Lyme disease this year after a high of 1,441 were reported last season.

"It would not surprise me a bit to set a new record this year," said Phil Pellitteri, a University of Wisconsin-Madison entomologist.

Outside of the Northeast, the second-highest penetration of Lyme disease is in Wisconsin and Minnesota, health officials say.

Less than 40 cases have been reported in Wisconsin this year, but Mark Sotir, an epidemiologist with the state Division of Public Health, said most illness won't be discovered until June and July.

"Peak season is coming up," Sotir said. "This is the time when we're encouraging people to take steps to prevent it."

In Wisconsin, deer ticks that transmit the bacteria have historically been found in the western part of the state.

But officials say with mild winters in recent years, the tick population appears to be thriving and that ticks are also showing up in eastern Wisconsin.

Lyme disease is generally marked by a rash radiating from the tick's bite and causes flu-like symptoms and joint pain.

It can be treated by antibiotics, but if left untreated, the condition can cause chronic arthritis and neurological problems.

State public health veterinarian Jim Kazmierczak said the best way to prevent Lyme disease is to avoid deer, but ticks acquire the infection early in life by feeding on mice and then seek bigger mammals - like deer and humans.

The ticks grow to the size of about a sesame seed, he said. But unlike larger wood ticks, deer ticks are rarely seen in cities, experts said.

Among deer ticks studied statewide, about 15 percent to 18 percent of adults carry the Lyme disease bacteria, Pellitteri said.

For protection, people should wear long clothing in wooded and bushy areas and check for ticks afterward, experts say. Some repellents also can kill the parasitic arachnid.

"All of the measures work well," said Ben Beard of the vector-borne diseases division of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "But none of them are silver bullets."

Tsyunh#hkw< Workshops

June 2006…

~ June 22nd, 5:00 PM – Red Raspberry Leaf Harvesting, Tsyunh#hkw< farm

~ June 22nd, 5:00 PM – Salve Making, Retail Store, Ridgeview Plaza

July 2006…

~ July 13th – Culinary Creations, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

August 2006…

~ Mid August – Green Corn Harvest and Soup Making-TBA, Tsyunh#hkw< Farm

~ August 24th, 5:00 PM – Canning Pickles, Cannery, Nobert Hill Center

September 2006…

~ September 21st, 5:00 PM Salsa Making, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

October 2006…

~ October 19th, 5:00 PM – Apple Workshop, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

November 2006…

~ November 2nd, 5:00 PM – White Corn Soup/Bread Making, Cannery, Norbert Hill Center

Contract Health awarded

Submitted by Jeff Carson
Business Manager, Oneida Community Health Center

On April 20, 2006, Oneida Contract Health received national recognition at the 8th Annual Partnership Indian Health Services Conference held in Reno, Nevada. Patti Denny received an award on behalf of Oneida Contract Health Department. Headquarters Acting Director for Contract Health services Clayton Old Elk recognized her and the staff for a job well done specifically for Catastrophic Health Emergency Funds (CHEF). Congratulations for a job well done.



Stop PCB disposal at land fill N. of Oneida Bingo & Casino

Submitted by Laura Manthe
Environmental Resource Board

The good news is that the Fox River is finally getting cleaned up. The bad news is that the paper companies, who dumped the poisonous PCB's in the river, want to bury it in the sludge lagoons behind the casino.

The Georgia-Pacific Corporation has applied for a permit to bury Fox River sediment that is so contaminated with PCB's that it is considered toxic waste under the federal Toxic Substances Control Act. There is no other land fill in Wisconsin that accepts this type of toxic waste.

The sludge lagoons were built in 1964. In 1977 the State of Wisconsin issued a permit that allows for the disposal of fly ash and sludge from paper making activities. The Georgia-Pacific company is not required to post any bonding to cover future problems that may arise from the PCB's because the landfill was permitted before the laws changed to require such bonding.

The PCB's in the sediment are considered toxic when they reach 50 parts per million (ppm). The PCB's for this project are up to 3,000 ppm. Other toxic substances found in the sediment are mercury, DDT, chromium and other nasties.

The disposal plan calls for a foundation of boiler ash and clay, topped with two plastic liners separated by clay. "The life expectancy of the plastic liners is not known by the DNR." said Len Polczinski, DNR Waste Program Manager. Green Bay Press Gazette May 10, 2006.

Pipes will collect any water leaching from the land fill, which is tested regularly for PCB pollution. After testing, the wastewater is drained into the Green Bay sewerage system where it is treated, but not for PCB's.

The Toxic Substances Control Act requires minimum of 50 foot separation distance between the high water table level and the bottom of the landfill floor. The Georgia-Pacific plan asks for a variance to reduce the separation to only 10 feet. That's an 80% reduction of separation between the toxic waste and the ground water.

The water must be pumped to meet the 10 feet separation distance. The pumps will have to run forever. Pumps fail. Businesses fail.

The landfill is constructed within a historical wetland and groundwater recharge area. This landfill would not be permitted on this site if it were built today. The landfill is surrounded by various housing developments, an elementary and a middle school.

Georgia-Pacific is offering the landfill as a contribution toward its financial liability in the total clean up plan.

The Oneida Tribe was already impacted once by the PCB's. That is how we got involved in the Fox River clean up efforts. Now we will be impacted again by the same toxic waste if it is buried so close to the reservation. We will have to live with the long term effects forever.

What you can do call the **Legislative Hotline at 1-800-362-9472** or go to www.waml.legis.state.wi.us/ to find out who your representative is. Tell them how you feel about this issue. Your voice makes a difference.

June events calender

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

"Tell your friends about our friends!"

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: A Look Inside an Old Hollow Tree:
Monday, June 5 at 10:00am and again Monday, June 19 at 1:00pm

Children and their families can learn what they can find in an old dead hollow tree during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the short stories "Dead Tree," by Alvin Tressalt and "A Dead Log," by Jen Green. After the stories, participants will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per resident or Friends members and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671.**

Trail Fitness Walk:
Wednesdays, June 7, 14, 21 and 28 at noon

It's time to get out into the spring air! A Sanctuary Naturalist will lead this 45 minute brisk hike on uneven terrain. Please come dressed for the weather and bring your hiking shoes. Meet at the front door of the Nature Center. Cost for all four sessions is $10 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $15 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3671. Space is limited.

Nature Nuts Acorns: Going Nuts about Nature
Monday through Thursday, June 19-22 from 9:00am to 11:30am

Geared for children 6-8 years old, Nature Nuts Acorns offers hands-on training experience through small experiments and educates participants about animals at the Sanctuary. Pre-registration is required. Cost is $30 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $45 per non-resident. For more information, call **(920) 391-3671**.

Nature Nuts Sprouts: Enlightening Aspiring Naturalists:
Monday through Thursday, June 26-29 from 9:00am to 11:30am.

Geared for children 9-12 years old, Nature Nuts Sprouts offers hands-on training experience for the aspiring naturalist. Experiments and mini-programs will feature plants, trees and animals. Pre-registration is required. Cost is $30 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $45 per non-resident. For more information, call (920) 391-3671.

Master Hunters of the Sky: Live Birds of Prey Program:
Thursday, June 15 at 2:00pm

Learn about the majestic birds of prey in Wisconsin during Master Hunters of the Sky at the Sanctuary. Naturalist Kim Diedrich will explain what makes these birds such great hunters. Don't forget to bring your camera. Weather permitting. No registration is required. For more information, call **(920) 391-3671**.

Visit the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary Website at www.baybeachwildlife.com

They're moving on up!

The Oneida Head Start Program/Early Intervention Program prides itself in it's ability to work with the children who come seeking help. It also prides itself in its staff and the staff's ability to improve themselves. The Oneida Head Start Program is proud of the following people who are "moving on up." Michelle Boyd, Jennifer Green, June Wommack, Jenny Hill and Valerie Groleau have started work on their Bachelor of Science degrees. Vicki Deer and Ana Balbuena will be starting their masters program next fall. All of the above named people are members of the Oneida Tribe. We are proud of the fact that they are moving on up to the next level of education. We are also proud of the contribution they are

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Recreation

Teens Summer Program!

For Oneida Teens ages 13-17

Teen Climbing Camp

When: July 5, 2006
1:00- 4:00p.m.
Location: Oneida Adventure Ropes Course
2640 West Point Road
Green Bay, WI., 54304
Description: Teens will have the opportunity to climb the outdoor ropes course and/or the portable climbing wall. Climbing techniques, knot tying, and experiencing climbing to a higher level!

Teen Kayak Camp

When: July 25, 2006
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Location: Norbert Hill Pond
Description: Teens will have the opportunity to learn the basics of kayaking in the comfort of the pond. We will learn wet exits, paddling strokes for kayaking, and rescues. Join us for a fun afternoon on the water!

Kayak Paddle Tour

When: August 8, 2006
10:00-2:00p.m.
Location: Meet at the Fitness Center at 10:00 sharp! We will take the van to a near by river/lake departing at 10:15 to use our paddle skills. Prerequisite of the teen paddle camp required.
Cost: FREE
Call: Cindy Young @ 490-3863 for sign up information.

Oneida Experiential Education

Camp I Climbing Skills Camp

July 10-14 location: Outdoor ropes course, 2640 West Point Rd -learn basic climbing skills and techniques, learn about climbing safety and responsibility, learn about different knots and equipment used for climbing

Camp II Canoe and Kayaking Camp

July 17-21 location: Norbert Hill Pond -learn basic canoeing and kayaking paddling skills., teach basic water safety rescues, develop basic overnight trip skills

Camp III Adventure Camp

July 31-Aug 4 -location: Norbert Hill Pond and Outdoor Ropes Course- learn basic survival skills, develop/improve canoe/kayak and water safety skills, develop/improve climbing skills, plan/discuss and participate in an Adventure Experience Day

Classes are FREE through full 5 day attendance. A deposit of $25 will be charged to reserve your child's registration. $5 per day will be refunded for each day attended. If all 5 days are attended, the full registration fee will be refunded. (Refunds will not be given if child is asked to leave for disciplinary reasons.)
Classes may be changed do to weather issues. Proper clothing is needed for each camp.
Call with questions: Mark, 490-3846; Kip, 490-3810; Cindy, 490-3863.

*Some time will be spent on Respect and Giving Back to the program by doing a Service Learning Project for the programs.
Time for All camps: Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs., 12:30-4:00p.m. - Fri, 10:00-4:00p.m.
*please note Friday hours
Ages: 9-13years

Big league coach offers up lessons for local players

By Steve Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Fundamentals are an important part of playing any sport and this weekend members of the Oneida Braves had an opportunity to shore up their hitting fundamentals with legendary hitting coach Tony Ferrara. Ferrara has been with big league teams like the New York Yankees and the New York Mets and also won two Championships with the Yankees in '77 and'78, both were against the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The three-day hitting clinic, sponsored by Oneida Recreation, took place in Oneida and began on May 19 and ran thru May 21. Ferrara is an acquaintance of tribal member Rick Hill. To gain Ferrara's services, Hill put Ferrara in contact with Oneida Recreation

Assistant Director John E. Powless III.

Approximately ten members of the Oneida Braves took part in the hitting clinic. Which included, among other drills, a one-on-one hitting evaluation, and batting practice. Ferrara took about 10-15 minutes with each player and evaluated the mechanics of their swing.



Kali Photo/Steve Gandy
Legendary hitting coach Tony Ferrara (right) shows Devin Grey (left) the fundamentals of hitting.

Devin Grey, a member of the Braves, felt the experience that Ferrara had to offer was a great opportunity to learn. "He knows what he's talking about...he's got lots to offer and I've got lots more to learn," Grey said after his one-on-one time with Ferrara.

Ferrara emphasized mechanics in his clinic and the importance of a flat, level swing. "Some of these guys were never taught properly, so they get a lot of bad habits. And you can see what they are capable of doing when their mechanics are correct." Ferrara said while grabbing a quick bite to eat between sessions.

Ferrara's approach to hitting is simple but effective "You have to stand tall, you have to be quiet, and you gotta stay compact and attack the ball," Ferrara says.

Ferrara began his career out of college with the St. Louis Cardinals, after suffering a shoulder injury that ended his playing career Ferrara became a hitting coach. He coached for the NY Yankees and Mets from '74 - '95 and also coached under Butch Hobson for such teams as the A's, Cubs, Mariners and Red Sox,

A young face for rural America

Minneapolis, MN—As rural populations decline, community leaders across the country find themselves worrying about how they can hold on to their young residents - and attract others to settle there. But young people are, in fact, making lives for themselves in rural America - launching new businesses, keeping family farms in production, starting new farms and becoming involved in their local communities. Moreover, young people in both rural and urban areas are becoming engaged in rural development by participating in farm-to-school programs, community gardens, and exchange programs that give young people a taste of rural lifestyles. Forward-thinking communities are finding new and innovative ways to engage the next generation in building a better future for their original or adopted hometowns.

Consider contributing your story or photo to Youth Renewing the Countryside, a book in progress that will capture the best of those stories. The book will be produced by young writers and photographers who tell the stories of young adults who are succeeding in crafting rural livelihoods that support themselves, their families, and their communities, and of teens and youth programs that are building social capital and strengthening their local food systems. The book will form the basis for a national public education campaign about the role of young people in sustaining and revitalizing rural communities.

Renewing the Countryside, a Minneapolis-based non-profit organization, in partnership with the USDA's Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) program, is now seeking stories and story ideas, as well as young writers and photographers to be part of the Youth Renewing the Countryside production team this summer. A national committee composed of representatives from farming, youth development, and entrepreneurship networks, along with writers and photographers, will select the stories to be included in the publication and the writers and photographers who will create it.

Contact Beth Munnich **(beth@rtcinfo.org or (866) 378-0587)** with your story idea and the name(s) of potential contributor(s), including young writers or photographers

The deadline for nominating stories, writers, and photographers is **June 15, 2006**.

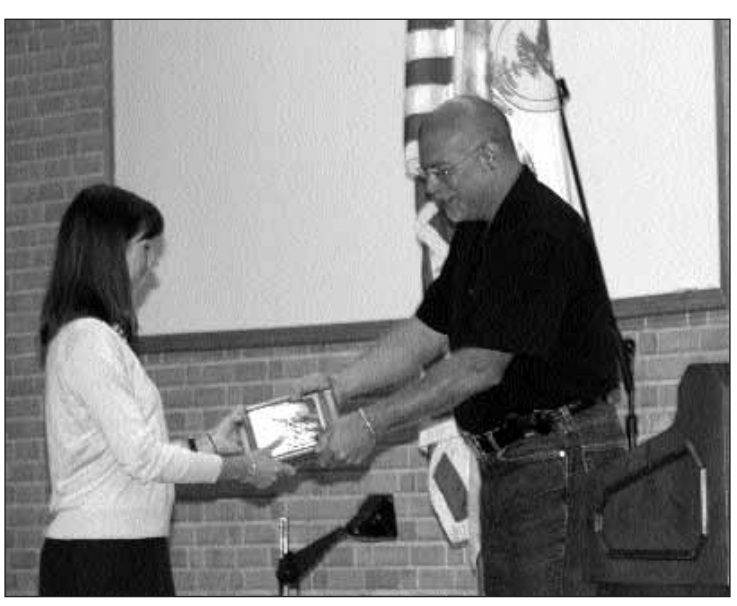
Renewing the Countryside is a 501c3 non-profit organization that provides support and resources for individuals and communities who are looking for sustainable ways to strengthen their rural communities and reduce poverty by sharing stories of rural renewal, building public awareness of and support for sustainable endeavors, connecting people interested in sustainable rural development to each other, providing practical assistance and networking opportunities for people working to improve rural America, and fostering connections between urban and rural residents.

Oneida Mens Baseball 2006 Schedule

Wed.	May 31	Casco	@	Oneida	7:30 PM
Fri.	**June 2**	**Kewaunee**	**@**	**Oneida**	**7:30 PM**
Wed.	June 7	Oneida	@	Kewaunee	7:30 PM
Fri.	**June 9**	**Algoma**	**@**	**Oneida**	**7:30 PM**
Sat.	June 10	Oneida	@	Branch	1:30 PM
Fri.	**June 16**	**Branch**	**@**	**Oneida**	**7:30 PM**
Wed.	June 21	Oneida	@	Two Rivers	7:30 PM
Fri.	**June 23**	**Oneida**	**@**	**Algoma**	**7:30 PM**
Fri.	June 30	Oneida	@	Casco	8:00 PM
Fri.	**July 14**	**Oneida**	**@**	**Casco**	**8:00 PM**
Fri.	July 21	Oneida	@	Kewaunee	7:30 PM
Sun.	**July 23**	**Two Rivers**	**@**	**Oneida**	**1:00 PM**
Sun.	July 30	Algoma	@	Oneida	1:00 PM
Fri.	**August 4**	**Oneida**	**@**	**Two Rivers**	**7:30 PM**

OBC recognizes Science Fair students, Falck





Kali photo/Steve Gandy
Upper: The OBC honored Oneida Nation elementary students:Haley Hill, Maurense Beans, Aleah Jimenez, Edward Santiago, Matias Metoxen, Jose Salas, Chaperones:Denice Beans, Jack Mehojah, Anthony Hill and Teachers: Tracy Christensen, Toni Osterberg and Mary Jo Johnson **Lower :**Jen Falckwas honored for Bemidji Area Indian Health Service Environmental Health Specialist of the Year

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2005-06
ATHLETIC BANQUET
May 31st, 2006
Parish Hall
6:00 p.m.
TO HONOR AND AWARD ALL ATHLETES AND FAMILY MEMBERS

29th Annual Raffle & Picnic...Town of Oneida
Sunday, June 4, 2006 • 10AM to 6 PM Oneida Fire Dept. Grounds • N6611 Hwy. H, Oneida, WI
Food • Beverages • Games
• Chicken Booyah
• BBQ Pork Sandwiches
• Antique Tractor Display
• Water Fights – 11am
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Need NOT be present to win!
Door Prizes MUST be present to win!
Music: DJ. until 6:00 pm
Demolition Derby 1:00 pm
Registration: 9:00 am-12:00 pm
*Sponsored by: Dick's Sporting Goods: Mossberg Model 500 12ga. Combo & Marlin Model 60 22 rifle
*2005 Arctic Cat 400 4WD, Sponsored by: Oneida Volunteer Fire Dept. & Westside Power of Green Bay (4 wheeler to be given away at our Fall Demolition Derby)

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Also please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Noah James Charnon



Noah James Charnon was born April 1st, 2006 to proud parents Brian and Jana Charnon of New London, WI. He was 7lbs, 14oz and 20 inches at birth.

His grandparents are Donald and Sandra Charnon of Cleveland, WI and Mark and Janice Miller of Plymouth, WI.

Great-grandparents are Ann Charnon of Sheboygan, WI and Ralph and June Miller of Plymouth, WI.

Noah's brother is two-year-old Murphy.

Loh^ti'yo Brooklyn Royce Metoxen



Loh^ti'yo Brooklyn Royce Metoxen was born to proud parents Eli & RC Metoxen at 6:38 am on May 21st, 2006 in Lawrence, Kansas. He was 7lbs, 6ozs and 20 inches at birth.

Grandparents are Kirby Metoxen, Sharon House, and Michelle Trepania

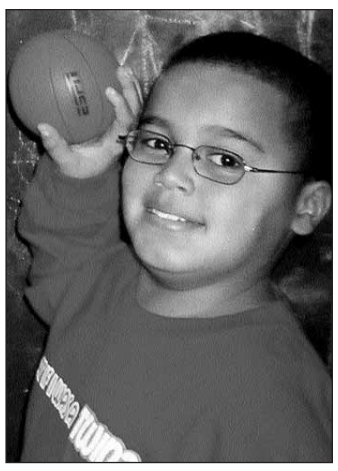
Maternal great-grandparents are Dellora Cornelius and Leone House.

Paternal Great-Grandparents are Erma & Ducky Denny, Carl Parker, and Russell Metoxen.

Two older siblings Elijah Jr. and Jossalyn Raena.

Happy 11th Birthday

To my big baller son,
Devonte



Love Mom, Pedro, Dante, Grandma, Dawn and Chris, Jeff, Dexi and your Dad.

Happy 16th Birthday

Happy Sweet 16
Jonas
on May 26th



Lots of love, Mom, Dad, Cam & Trent

Happy 6th Birthday

Belated
Elijah Grey Jr.



Love, Jossalyn, Daddy, RC, & Newborn Baby Brother

Congratulations

Linda Orie
on graduating with your second Bachelor's Degree! The second is a is a Bachelor's of Science degree in Education from UW-Oshkosh. Also, congratulations on achieving your elementary teacher certification! You make us proud!



Love, Mom and Family

Congratulations

Eli Metoxen
on receiving your Associates Degree from Haskell Indian Nations University! We are very proud of you & good luck at KU next year!



Love Always, "Wifey" Jossalyn, Baby Boy Metoxen & the House family

Happy Birthday

Stara
(15 on May 17th) &
Sharel
(Sweet 16 on May 18th)



Love u guys!

Happy 40th Birthday

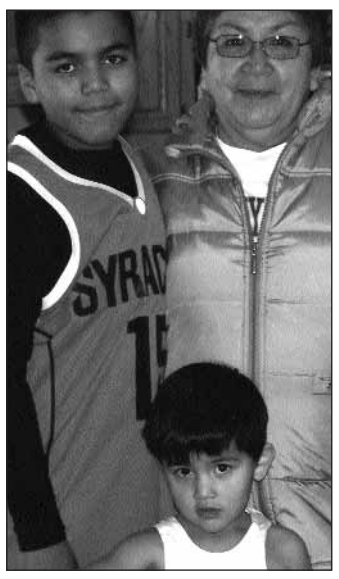
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Happy Birthday May 31st, 2006

Happy Mother's Day

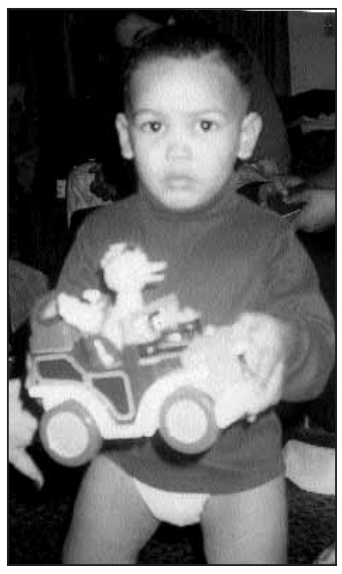
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Love Hugs & Kisses, Neeb & Bembogo

Congratulations

Deontay Lee Gray
On your May 18th graduation from Notre Dame Academy. I love you VERY much & we are SO proud of you!



Love, Mom

Congratulations

Jaz
Thanks for the memorable hunt
Congrats on your 1st turkey (24lbs) 5-6-06





Love ya much!
Love Mom, Shad, Gamma, Brother and Sisters

Happy 4th Birthday

Happy 4th birthday
Sister



Love you, Chaske

Congratulations

Domonique Langston
of Milwaukee on becoming Maryland Avenues 8th grade Valedictorian!



Love Mom-Jennifer Skenadore, Dad-Wendell Langston, Sister-Cheyenne Langston, Grandparents-Curt & Dolly Skenadore of De Pere and Donna Langston of Milwaukee. Aunts, Uncles, and Cousins. We are all very Proud of You!

Happy Birthday

Dakota
3 yrs old - May 30th
Dayton
1 yr old - June 10th



Love You's XXOO From Daddy & Momma, Grandpa & Grandma Beckers

Happy 4th Birthday

Malia Lois John Jacobs



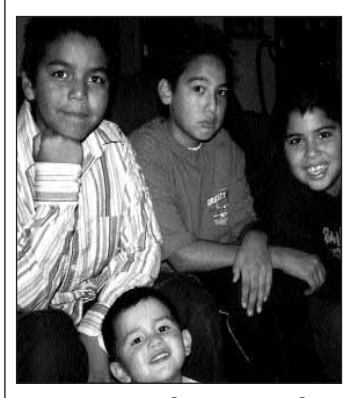
Love, Mom, Dad, Chaske & Family

Congratulations

Franklin L. Cornelius, Sr.
Senior Olympics 2006
Bronze:
Softball throwing
Basketball Free Throw
Discus
Shotput
Punt, Pass and Kick
Silver:
Basketball Long Shot
1600 Meter Fitness Walk
Javelin
Cribbage
Gold:
Softball Hitting
Love, Your kids

Happy Mother's Day

Do Do Arlene



Love Brock, Marquis, Deion & Damon

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June 5th is the deadline for submissions

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…which will be held on June 15th!!

We are looking for ambitious and positive young ladies who want to have fun while representing the Oneida Nation!

Miss Oneida (ages 18-25)
Jr Miss Oneida (ages 13-17)

All participants must:
- be single with no children.
- be an enrolled Oneida or in the process of
- have no misdemeanor or felony convictions
- possess knowledge and understanding of he Oneida culture and history

For more information call:
Tana Aguirre, 869-4239 • Heidi King, 869-1580
Racquel Hill, 869-4388 • Kalene White, 429-3263

Note: Li'l Miss will be selected at the 35th Annual Oneida Pow Wow, Friday, June 30th at approximately 5 P.M.

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Board Vacancies

Oneida Cemetery Board
Qualifications: There shall be six (6) members who shall make up the Oneida Tribal Cemetery Board. Shall serve a lifetime term. Shall meet whenever a burial is requested by the kin or other interested party for a deceased Oneida Indian or other person permitted. Shall be responsible to maintain vital statistics of the deceased and to report such information as may be required by the Oneida Tribe. The Board or its' delegate shall control the cemetery and beautify the same, and may establish regulations respecting it. Contact Brenda John at 869-4458 for more information.
Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/12/06.

Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications: Shall serve a two year term. Shall be parents of children enrolled in the Norbert Hill Child Care Center.
Purpose: We provide the highest quality educational and support services to all children and families. We empower the children through the use of developmentally appropriate practices. Our practices reflect the unique cultural heritage of the Oneida Community and build the foundation for the next Seven Generations. Contact Brenda John at 869-4458 for more information.
Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/12/06.

Oneida Pow Wow Committee:
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications: Shall serve a three (3) year term. May be required to perform the supervisory duties in regard to a Pow Wow. Contact Brenda John at 869-4458 for more information.
Deadline date for receipt of applications 6/12/06

Board Vacancies

Oneida Housing Authority (OHA):
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
1. A board member may be a member or non-member of the Tribe.
2. No person shall be barred from serving on the Board because he/she is a tenant or homebuyer in a housing project of the Authority
3. Term of office will be remainder of term ending June 10, 2009.

Purpose:
The Oneida Housing Authority shall be organized and operated for the purposes:
1. Remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals;
2. Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for person of low income;
3. Providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement extension, alteration or repair and operation of low income dwellings. **Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/26/06.**

Oneida Seven Generations Corporation:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
1. All board members must have at least five (5) years experience in one (1) or more of the following areas; real estate, commercial development, business management, risk management, finance, tribal government or accounting.
2. The majority of the members must be voting members of the General Tribal Council, the amount of non-Oneida board members will not exceed two (2).
3. The term of office will be five (5) years with the exception of the non-Oneida board member who are limited to one (1) five (5) year term.

Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/26/06.

Notice of Availability

Project Description: The Oneida Tribe is proposing a fee to trust land acquisition of approximately 25.52 acres of Oneida Tribal property, located within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Reservation, in T24N, R19E, Sec 25 in the Village of Hobart, Brown County, Wisconsin. The property is composed of five parcels located at two sites off the north side of Hwy 54, 1050 Pleasant Lane and the 3700 Block of Hillcrest Drive. In addition, a Cultural Center and Veterans Memorial are currently being considered on these sites, however, funding is not secured and final plans have not yet been completed.

An environmental assessment (EA) for the development of a Cultural Center and Veterans Memorial and land acquisition was prepared in May 2006. The EA has been prepared regarding the proposed actions and is in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters.

Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed. If/when development does occur then further archeological review will need to be completed.

Need for Project: Historically, the Oneida Tribe held 65,400 acres of land west of Green Bay in Brown and Outagamie Counties of Wisconsin. The Dawes Allotment Act of 1887 divided the Oneida Reservation into small parcels that were deeded to individual Tribal members and became taxable by local governments. Over the next 100 years, more than 95% of the land was lost for a variety of reasons including foreclosure and sales by the county and municipal governments for back taxes. In 1982 the Wisconsin counties of Brown and Outagamie and the City of Green Bay filed suite in federal court to dissolve the Oneida Reservation because there were less than 100 acres of Tribal land remaining in federal trust for the Oneida Tribe. The fee to trust land acquisition and project development will preserve the tribal culture, increase self-sufficiency and economic growth benefitting all members of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

Also, the construction of a museum and veteran's memorial will enhance the recreational, cultural, and educational values of the Oneida Community.

Alternatives: The Preferred Alternative is to transfer 25.52 acres of property into federal trust status as authorized by the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 465. This will assist the Oneida Tribe in achieving a goal to increase the amount of trust land for future generations.

In addition, this alternative includes the development of a Culture Center and Veterans Memorial The project is only in the conceptual stages at this time. The structure is estimated at 76,000 sq ft with the potential of disturbing 19.70 acres, including parking lots accessed through the existing roads; Pleasant Lane and Kahauk Road. The project will enhance the cultural and educational values for the Oneida Community.

The "No-Action" alternative was also evaluated, however this approach will not help assist the Oneida Tribe to fulfill a goal of assisting in ensuring that the Oneida Nation has adequate lands for future generations. Also, a no-action alternative will not assist with preserving and enhancing the Oneida Culture.

Comments & Availability: Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents from the following addresses. Comments regarding the proposed action may also be submitted within 30 days of the date of this NOA. Contact Lisa Miotke at (920) 496-5353 or write Oneida Environmental Department, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 or Scott Hebner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, at (612) 725-4597 or write: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bishop Henry Whipple Federal Bldg, One Federal Drive, #550, Ft. Snelling, MN 55111-4007 for additional information.

Public Meeting

Oneida Housing Authority
The Oneida Housing Authority will be conducting Public Meetings for community input on our one Year Indian Housing Plan.
Meetings will be held at:
Oneida Housing Authority
2913 Commissioner
June 1st and June 2nd
from **11:00 to 1:00**

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Notice of Availability

The Village of Hobart is recruiting for the following Committees. Needed are 5 regular members and 2 alternates.
Public Works Committee
Water & Sewer Advisory Committee
Variance Committee
Parks & Urban Forestry Committee
Please submit letter of interest with qualifications to:
Jackie Mommaerts
2990 S. Pine Tree Road
Oneida, WI. 54155
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Wanted!

Artists, Musicians, Writers, Arts and Craft Vendors, All Vendors, 2 Food Vendors
(first 2 food Vendors to sign-up)

Community Outreach tables

We want you to set up for free on Saturday June 24th 10am - 1pm at:
Art on Artley (Art and Music Festival)
June 23rd and 24th
Sponsored By the Oneida Community Library

Art Gallery and Activities (to be announced) Friday June 23rd 4pm-7:30pm
Vendors and Music Saturday Jun 24th 10pm-4pm

This is a Free event

Contact Kim Siebers @ the Oneida Community Library
to sign-up today
869-2210
(Look for more event details soon)

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Oneida lake

New lake gets a head start in old sand pit

Recent land acquisition to be site of a 21 acre lake and fishery

By Dawn Walschinski
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Because the previous owner quarried sand from the site on Cooper Road and County U, a lot of the work of digging a lake bed has already been completed. The site currently has underground cold water springs that will help feed water levels.

It may not look like much now, but a former sand pit on the corner of Cooper Road and County U will be the new site of a lake and fishery in Oneida.

"This site became available and it gets us to the end product of a lake a lot cheaper and a lot faster than any other site that we had," said Environmental Quality Director Jennifer Hill-Kelly.

The 61 acre acquisition was made in April by Land Management with assistance from Environmental Quality. The lot is ringed with trees and Oneida owns land on two sides of the property. The site has the potential for a 21 acre lake.

"The other sites we looked at were basically open farm fields." said Environmental Specialist-Restoration Betsy Galbraith. The new site has a more intimate feel because of the trees, according to Galbraith.

The sand pit also speeds things along.

"There's already a big hole. A lot of materials have been taken out." she said.

The lake is being developed as part of a settlement with the Natural Resources Damage Assessment (NRDA) to replace fishing opportunities that were lost when the Duck Creek became contaminated with PCB's from paper mills along the Fox River.

"We've been injured, our fish have been injured, so our short term solution is to provide a lake for tribal members to fish, but the long term solution is to really clean up Duck Creek." said Hill-Kelly.

Consultants for Environmental Quality tested the property before it was bought to be certain a lake and fishery was viable in that area.

"It's a good spot as far as location. There's not stressors or there's not impacts that may effect a lake." said Hill-Kelly.

While the Environmental Department is focusing on developing the fishery, it's forming a committee of tribal members to plan amenities that will go along with the lake site.

"In talking to the community, folks have a lot of ideas. It would be a great spot for camping, they talked about maybe a new pow wow site, recreation trails, picnicking, everything that you would think in a park," said Hill-Kelly.

Environmental Quality has also been working with students to encourage them to pursue environmental careers.

"We hope to have tribal member fishery biologists who work at the lake," said Hill-Kelly, "That's a big, big portion of our work, too, is to get to the schools, get kids out in the field, talk to them about careers in the environment and that kind of thing so that we can nurture some folks."

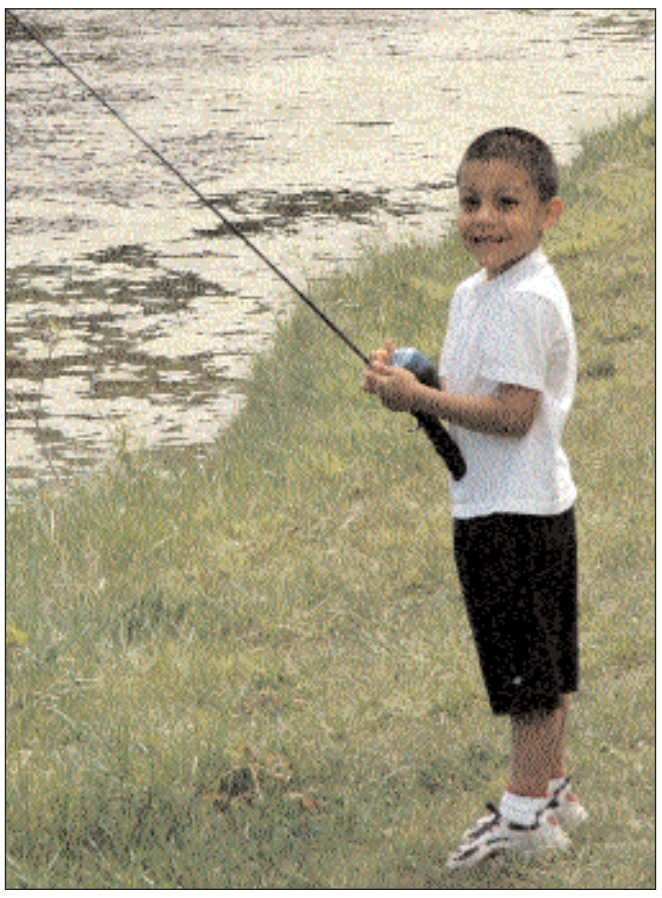
Environmental Quality hopes to begin shaping and grading the lake bed this year and have the finishing touches of vegetation, trails, picnic tables and other amenities being set up in the spring of 2008.

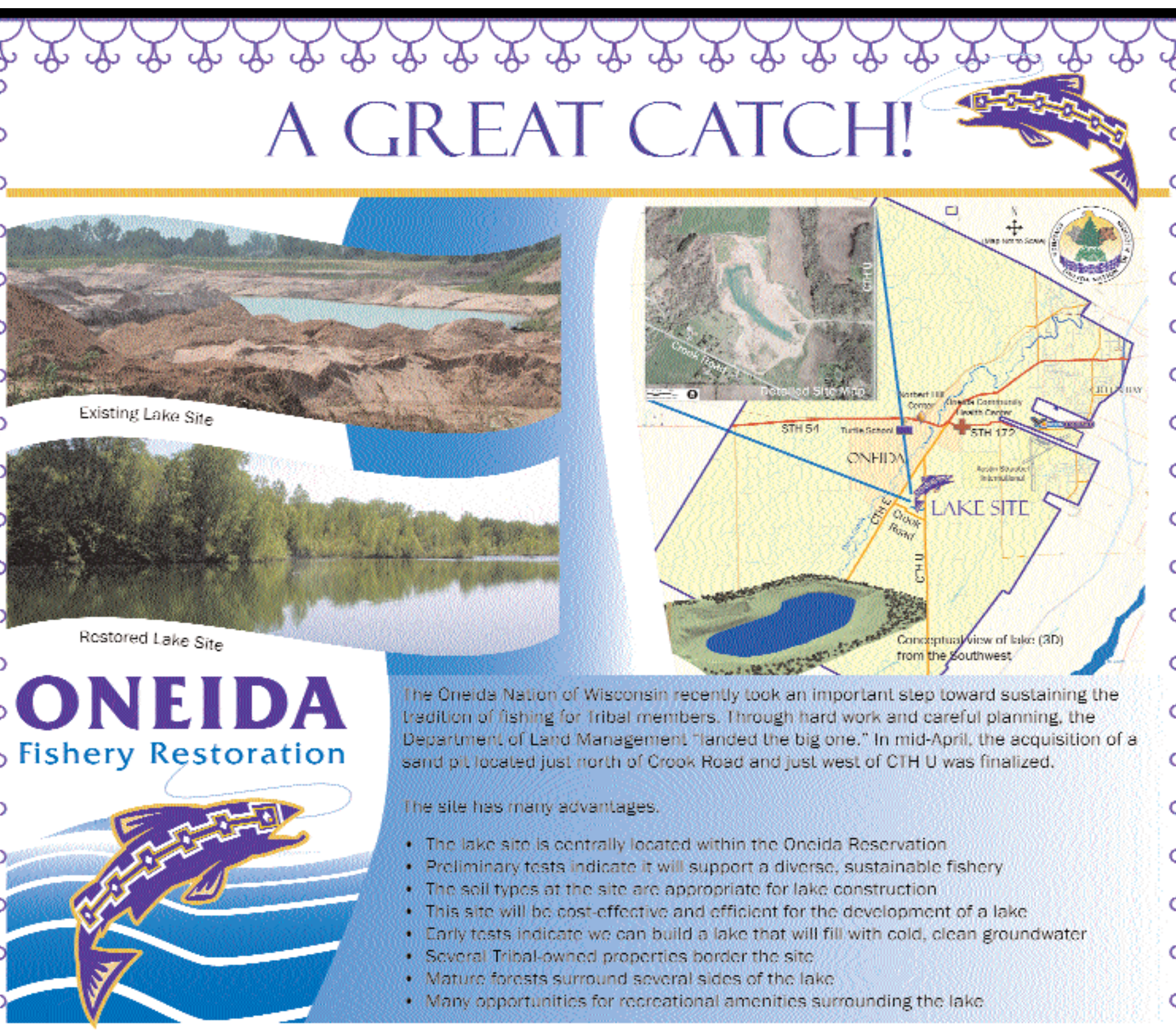
Community Members needed…

To serve on Lake Board

A Community Advisory Board is being formed for the Oneida Lake Project. Members will help guide the planning, design, and creation of a 40-acre lake on the Reservation. The purpose of the Board is to provide both a cultural and community perspective for the project. There will not be regularly scheduled meetings. Meetings will be called during various phases of the project. There will be a need to review materials we send you in preparation for giving your input at the meetings. Board members will also participate in and promote the lake project through community events.

If you are interested in becoming a member of this exciting team, please contact Betsy Galbraith in the Environmental Quality Department at 496-5327.





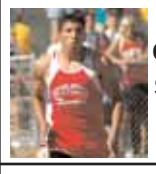
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Residents testify against PCB's at DNR hearing



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Lauren Hoeft makes a statement opposing a proposal to store PCB contaminated soil dredged from the Fox River in a landfill owned by Georgia-Pacific located near the Oneida Bingo and Casino.

Oneida members oppose plan to bury contaminated soil

By Dawn Walschinski
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Over 100 people attended a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources hearing held Thursday, June 1st at the Brown County Library regarding Georgia-Pacific Corporation's proposal to landfill polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB)-contaminated soil from the Fox River in the company's site near the Oneida Bingo and Casino.

Residents of the area and members of the Oneida Nation spoke out against the plan.

"How are you going to clean up that PCB's when it

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DNR hearing

Tribe makes final payment on purchase of proposed mine land

By Robert Imrie
Associated Press Writer

WAUSAU, Wis. (AP) ~ Three years after it helped to buy the site of a proposed mine near Crandon ~ shutting down the disputed project ~ an Indian tribe has made its final $8 million mortgage payment to a mining company that will donate the money back to the tribe through a trust fund, a tribal official said Tuesday.

"It is a gift. It is basically a gift out of the blue," said Tony Phillippe, administrator for the Mole Lake, or Sakaogon, Chippewa band. "It is going to be a charitable trust."

In October 2003, the Mole Lake Chippewa and Forest County Potawatomi agreed to pay $16.5 million to buy Nicolet Minerals Co. and more than 5,000 acres associated with the proposed underground zinc and copper mine just south of Crandon. The purchase was from Northern Resource Group, a new company started by a Laona family.

Northern Resource, with expertise in logging and wood products, had acquired the project in April 2003 from BHP Billiton, an international metals company headquartered in Melbourne, Australia, which had also provided $8 million in financing to the Laona company, authorities said. But Northern Resource said it was unable to find other investors and a partner with mining expertise to proceed with the mine.

The two tribes, with new wealth from casino profits, opposed the Crandon mine project for years, warning it would pollute valuable water resources, including the pristine Wolf River nearby, and that the risk wasn't worth the mining jobs that would be created.

When the tribes bought the mine site, the Potawatomi paid cash for its share of the deal, and the Mole Lake made a $250,000 downpayment and acquired the mortgage from BHP. The $8 million payment was due in April, Phillippe said Tuesday,

The tribe borrowed all but $52,000 of the remaining debt as part of a $20 million, 20-

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Crandon Mine

14th Annual Family Carnival was swingin'

Kali photos/Yvonne Kaquatosh, right photo courtesy of Communications staff (below)

The Oneida Family Carnival gets bigger and better with each passing year. The weather was a bit misty on Friday evening but, the sun was more than accommodating throughout the whole day on Saturday. By mid-afternoon, the lines at the food booths were very long. At right: John Anderson had the crowd 'swingin' to a variety of his hit songs. Below: An additional ride was added to this years attraction which proved to be quite a hit with the young and old. Additional sights and scenes from the 14th Annual Oneida Family Carnival can be viewed on page 2B.





2006 Caucus results

By Dawn Walschinski
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The 2006 Election Caucus was held June 6th at the Business Committee Conference Room in the Norbert Hill Center.

Nominations were made at that time for elections to take place Saturday, July 22nd.

Oneida Appeals Commission

Four Vacancies Three with three year terms, One with one year remaining term:

Anita Barber, Janice McLester, Jennifer Webster, Terry Hetzel, Julie Barton, Wesley Martin, Jr., Gary Jordan, Michelle Crouch, Rhonda Skenandore, Beverly J. Skenandore, Anthony Powless, Rick Cornelius

Oneida Gaming Commission

One Vacancy, five year term:

Julie Barton, Beverly J. Skenandore, Anthony Powless, Stanley Webster

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Mock accident site sets scene for youth alcohol awareness

By Steven Gandy
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Every Fifteen Minutes a person in the United States is killed in an alcohol related accident. This statistic was the motivation for a recent re-enactment at the Norbert Hill Center. On Wednesday, May 31, students at Oneida Nation High School,, Oneida Police Department, Outagamie County Rescue and Oneida First Responders, along with others, all took part in an educational program designed to give teens a first hand look and the horrific reality of an alcohol related car accident.

The goal of the event, according to Cathy Delgado, one of the events planners, "was to educate the High School students, other community members and parents about the dangers of alcohol and driving."

Several students participated in the mock crash. Students were playing such realistic roles as, dead at the scene (Debbie Santiago), Paralyzed Victim (Twyla Danforth), Drunk Driver (Roland Christjohn), Injured Passenger (Yuntle>kala=u Delgado McLester) and Died-

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Fifteen Minutes



Kali photo/steven Gandy

Emergency workers gather to help victims of a mock accident staged at the Norbert Hill Center. The event raised teen awareness of the dangers of alcohol.

Local

OPD supports new booster seat law

Booster seats improve the fit of seatbelts by shifting the lap belt position from the abdomen to upper thighs and by lowering the shoulder belt from across the neck or face to the chest. Children wearing only an adult lap and shoulder belt are nearly 4 times more likely to sustain serious injury or die in a crash than children in safety seats.

Background Scope

A total of 3,082 child restraint citations were posted to driving records in 2005.

In the past five years, 53 children, ages 0 - 8, were killed in Wisconsin from motor vehicle crashes.

Another 8,207 children were injured over the same period.

Of those killed, 30% were unbelted and 59% were either unbelted or protected only by a seat belt.

General Provisions

- The law goes into effect on June 1, 2006.
- The 6 month written warning grace period for any child passenger violations under 347.48(4) will last until the end of the sixth month, December 2006.
- Citations may be issued starting in January 2007.
- Warnings issued during the grace period shall be sent to the Department of Motor Vehicles.
- Second and subsequent violations during the grace period are cite-able.

Core Provisions

- In basic terms, children must be in a car seat until they reach age 4 (this is not new).
- And in a booster seat until they reach age 8 (this is new).

Restraint structure

Less than one year old, OR less than 20 lbs.

Must be in a rear-facing child seat, in the back seat of the vehicle (if so equipped)

Age one and up to age 4, OR less than 40 lbs.

Must be in a forward-facing child seat in the seat of the vehicle (if so equipped)

Age 4 until they reach age 8, between 40 - 80 lbs AND no more than 4 ft. 9 inches

Must be in a high-back or no-back booster seat. **Questions:**

Certified Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Technicians at the Oneida Health Center can handle your specific questions about Child Seats/Booster Seats, dial **(920) 869-2711**. Prefer to search the web? Go to **www.BoosterSeat.gov.**

Federal Judge rules in favor of New York Oneida

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) – A federal judge last Friday rejected Oneida County's efforts to foreclose on Oneida Indian Nation land.

U.S. District Court Judge David Hurd said state and federal laws prohibit the county from taking the land. Hurd's ruling was similar to one he made last year that prevented Madison County from taking tribal land.

Last year, the U.S. Supreme Court issued a ruling forcing the Oneida nation to pay property taxes.

That decision doesn't entitle the county to foreclose on Oneida land, however, and the county must find other means to obtain any taxes owed, Hurd said.

In a separate decision, Hurd also denied Madison County's attempts to decrease the size of the Oneida Indian reservation.

Oneida VFW salutes Veterans

By Steven Gandy
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Memorial Day is one of remembrance for those who gave their lives serving our great nation. Oneida Veterans were remembered this past Memorial Day Weekend by those who attended cemetery services sponsored by the Oneida VFW Post. On Saturday May 27th there was a G.I. breakfast and then with the help of the Oneida Boy Scouts, flags were placed in nine different cemeteries throughout Oneida. The Oneida Veterans revisited the cemeteries on Monday, May 29th to honor the deceased with the playing of Taps. A 21 gun salute followed. Once finished, all returned to Parish Hall for a Booyah lunch and conversation.





Kali photos/Steven Gandy
Top: (left to right) Roy Metoxen, Ray Johnson, Phineas King, Robert (Little Man) Webster and Russell Metoxen (seated). Below: Flags wave in the wind at Holy Apostles Cemetery in remembrance of Oneida vets.

34th Annual ONEIDA POW WOW

JUNE 30 – JULY 2, 2006
Norbert Hill Center Pow-Wow Grounds
6 Miles west of Green Bay just off Hwy. 54

Join us in song and dance at the 34TH ANNUAL ONEIDA CONTEST POW-WOW! OVER $49,000 IN PRIZE MONEY WILL BE AWARDED!

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Co-Emcee – Artley Skenandore, Oneida, WI
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Head Female Dance Judge – Heather Schuyler, Dearborn Hts., MI
Head Drum Judge – Opie Day Bedeau, Oneida, WI
Arena Director – William King, Oneida, WI
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Traditional Special – Sponsored by Bear Paw Keepsakes

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Weekend Pass $10.00
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10 yrs. & younger FREE
Dancers/Singers $5.00

Grand Entries
Fri., June 30 7:00pm
Sat., July 1 1pm & 7pm
Sun., July 2 12 Noon

Registration
Fri., June 30 5pm – 7pm
Sat., July 1 9:30am – 12:45pm
Contest points start on Friday.
NO CANOPIES ALLOWED.

The Public is Welcome!

For more information, call the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee at 920-496-7897. Reserve your room now at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, Green Bay by calling 1-800-333-3333. Ask for the Pow-Wow room rate. Rates based on availability.

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Local

Passing On

Hickox Johnson, Evelyn
May 30, 1917 – June 5, 2006

Baxter MŃ – Evelyn E (Johns) Johnson Hickox went peacefully to the lord June 5, 2006 at her daughters home after a short illness. Evelyn was born in Boyd, WI May 30, 1917

She was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years; Johnny Johnson, her infant son, her parents William and Elizabeth Johns, and three brothers, Willy, Marvin and Clarence Johns.

Evelyn and her husband Johnny, while living in Stanley WI operated "Johnny's Dugout and Bowling Alley." In 1956 they moved to silver bay MN, where Johnny worked in the construction field. In 1957 they settled in Eveleth, MN where they owned and operated their own business, while Evelyn also worked for Singer Sewing Company teaching sewing. She also worked for Herberger's where she retired after 25 years. Evelyn enjoyed knitting, crocheting, sewing, painting and cooking and caring for her family.

Evelyn is survived by her second husband of 16 years Arlie A. Hickox, and his son Thomas Hickox (Arkansas), her children, John D. (Marylee) Johnson (Chesapeake, VA) and their children, David S. Johnson, John M. Johnson, Daryl D. Johnson, Terry L. Bent, Sharon K. Muldez and Stacy A. Dunn, Carole J. (Gerald) Pikula, (Brained, MN) and their children, Tammy (Pikula) Haag, Dana (Paige) Pikula, Kim Pikula, Shawn Pikula, Shelley (Paul) Jones, Eric Pikula and Nomnae (Jason) DeRosier. Two sisters, Adeline Landry, Stanley Wisconsin, Delores (Tootie-Toots) Johns, Eau Claire Wisconsin, 33 great grand children and 4 great-great grandchildren, many dear nephews and nieces, and her long-time dear friend Florence Gustafson (Eveleth MN).

Mass of Christian Burial 11:00AM Thursday, June 8, 2006 at St. Alice Catholic Church in Pequot Lakes, MN with father George Zeck officiating. Visitation will be 5-7 PM Wednesday at St. Alice Church.

Funeral arrangements are by Nelson-Doran Funeral Home, Brained, MN.

In Loving Memory of

Angeline M. Powless



Your memory soothes our spirits
as we think of your smile and laughter.
We think about you when we see
bingo daubers, chili, rummage
sales and turquoise jewelry.
Spring time brings thoughts
about painting your rocks white,
washing your lawn swans.
We think about you every day
when the sun rises and our phone
rings in the early morning.
We think about you on our birthdays,
and give thanks for the life you gave us.
Mothers day was every day you were with us, not just one day a year.

We still get together for holidays, cookouts and whenever we need to, and we remember your special dishes, and we just can't cook the way you could, although we keep trying.
Wife, Mom, Gramma, you had all the bases covered and you did it all for everyone.
Washing, ironing, hanging your laundry on the line, a loving Indian woman for 80 years.
Raising children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and taking in everyone else's kids to boot.
Sitting on Purcy's porch, watching Oneida go by, day by day. "Who's that? Wave anyway.
Some stop to say hi and eat. Hope she has some chili, go right to the fridge. Remember that?
We miss you and remember you with love and laughter. A few tears, but they always turn into laughter, and we're so much better for having you in our world.

Missed, loved and remembered by husband, children and families.

In Loving Memory of

Aaron L. King

who passed on 6 years ago June 6th



Gone are the days we used to share,
but in our hearts you are always there.

The gates of memory will never close.
We miss you more than anyone knows.

With tender love and deep regret,
We who love you will never forget.

Forever in our thoughts and prayers.
Sadly missed by Mom, Dad, Paula, Phil, Devonne and Family

LOC UPDATE

LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE — JUNE 2006

MEET THE LOC

The LOC consists of the 5 Council member positions of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC):

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The members of the LOC serve 3 year terms consistent with the Tribal election of the OBC.

WHEN WE MEET

When in session, the LOC meets every other Monday at 9:00am in the Business Committee Conference Room (2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center).

Completed agenda item request forms should be received by the Wednesday prior to a LOC meeting in order to be placed on the agenda.

The LOC has three sessions per term. Each session begins in the Fall and ends in the Spring.

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The LOC website contains all of the Oneida Laws and includes:

- LOC biographies
- Oneida Tribal Constitution
- Active Files List
- LOC approved minutes
- Public Hearing Notices
- Policies

Latest News

Amendments to the Open Records and Open Meetings Law. On April 12, 2006, the Oneida Business Committee adopted amendments to the Open Records and Open Meetings Law to specify the Tribal Secretary role as custodian of the OBC & GTC documents and to clarify the availability of draft memorandums, laws and policies.

Adoption of Back Pay Policy. On May 24, 2006, the Oneida Business Committee adopted a new Back Pay which defines back pay and establishes specifics on how back pay will be calculated when it has been determined that an employee was wrongfully terminated or suspended. This new policy does not require the deduction of wages earned during the back pay period from the back pay award.

Public Hearings

Adoption of Termination of Appointment Amendments to the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions, the Code of Ethics and the Conflict of Interest Policy to allow for the termination of an appointment by the Oneida Business Committee because the recently adopted Removal Law only addressed elected officials.

When: **July 25, 2006**
Where: **Business Committee Conference Room (BCCR)**
Time: **11:30AM**

LOC Active Files List

- ❑ APA (New)
- ❑ Back Pay Policy
- ❑ Boards, Committees and Commissions
- ❑ Child Protective Board Bylaws
- ❑ Education Code
- ❑ Election Law
- ❑ Election Law: Primary Elections for Business Committee Positions
- ❑ Emergency Services Ordinance Amendments
- ❑ Format for Laws
- ❑ Hall of Fame Ordinance Amendments
- ❑ Higher Education Resolution
- ❑ Housing Ordinance
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- ❑ Law Enforcement Ordinance
- ❑ LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Resolution
- ❑ Legislative Procedures Act
- ❑ New York: Building Code
- ❑ New York: Plumbing Code
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- ❑ Termination of Appointment
- ❑ Travel Policy
- ❑ Truancy Ordinance
- ❑ Trust Scholarship Fund Amendments

Local

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At-Hospital (Eddie Metoxen). The actors were in make-up and costumes and played their roles with an eerie degree of realism. There was no shortage of props for the event which included two wrecked automobiles, fake blood and beer cans to name a few. Oneida police also participated in the event and gave the situation a sobering degree of realism.

As students looked down on the crash site they were shown the aftermath of a two car wreck involving alcohol. As a 911 call (Luwasanahawi Danforth) played over a P.A. system the actors began moving about, each playing their designated roles. Soon after, Oneida police came racing down Seminary Road with lights and sirens, and began to assess the situation. The members of OPD were miked-up so the student body could hear everything they were saying as well as the police dispatcher.

The Oneida First Responders were next to show up on the scene and began to administer life saving first aid to the victims. First responders are a vital link in the emergency medical services chain as they are typically closer to the accident and can get their first. They drive personal automobiles and respond day or night.

Shortly after the First Responders show up, Outagamie County Fire and Rescue vehicles approach the scene, once again lights and sirens are screaming as they come down Seminary Road. The jaws of life are used to remove a door from it's hinges to better get to an injured victim. Hoses are uncoiled from the fire engines and pressurized and one fireman even used a fire extinguisher to put out the "fire" that was starting in the back of one of the wrecked vehicles.

After someone was pronounced dead-at-the-scene and two others were taken to hospitals, a field sobriety test was administered to the driver of one of the vehicles. A hearse came to pick up the body and a wrecker was called to clean up the rest.

The repercussions for the event lasted all day for the students involved. They played their part for the remainder of the day going on to hospitals, court appearances and even remaining "dead." The students were barred from contacting friends and parents played a role by informing friends who may have called that night of each individuals fate.

This program was the culmination of months of planning by the Every Fifteen Minutes Committee which was headed up by Justine Souto who is also involved with the national CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) model. CAPPS is the national model used to mobilize the community to share ideas & information surrounding an issue.

Students at ONHS were mostly silent during the whole event. There was a sense of awe and intrigue about the audience. Souto said of the students, "It's really caused the kids eyes to be opened to the reality of what could happen when they choose to drink and drive and also not wearing a seatbelt."

A video is being produced as a resource tool for ONHS and the community but won't be available until its completion.

For more information on Every Fifteen Minutes, CAPPS or what you can do to become involved in preventing underage drinking and drunk driving contact Justine Souto at Oneida Social Services.



Kali photo/Steven Gandy

ONHS students Yuntle?kala=u Delgado McLester (left) and Eddie Metoxen (right) act out an accident scene from the event Every Fifteen Minutes. Both students "survive" the accident, but Metoxen's character dies at the hospital.

NWTC offers summer program for HS seniors

Northeast Wisconsin Technical College's (NWTC) Multicultural Resource Center is offering a free, one week summer program to help minority students make the transition from high school to college.

Contact: Charlie Hornett, NWTC Minority Affairs Counselor at **(920) 498-6385** or **(800) 422– NWTC, Ex. 6385**, **charles.hornett@nwtc.edu** to register or to learn more about the program.

Schedule: June 12 - 17, 2006, 8a.m. - 12:30p.m each day at the Green Bay Campus.

Students will receive continental breakfast and lunch each day, group activities, team building and more.

NWTC graduates largest May class

About 1,200 students received degrees and diplomas from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College this month, one of the College's largest May graduating classes ever.

NWTC's May graduate classes have set size records three years in a row, and this year's class is expected to be the largest ever. May graduation includes candidates who finish classes between Jan. 1 and June 30, 2006, so final numbers are not yet known.

Last year's full-year total (July 1, 2004-June 30, 2005) was 1,807 graduates, a 20% increase from the previous year. About 46% of those graduates were much-needed health care professionals. This year's full-year total is also expected to set a record.

New this year: NWTC's Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the national honor society for two-year colleges, encouraged participants to bring a children's book to graduation for the Project Graduation book drive. This has been PTK's first full year at NWTC.

Graduates from throughout the District were invited to march in commencement ceremonies Thursday, May 18 in Green Bay. In addition, NWTC-Sturgeon Bay and NWTC-Marinette held ceremonies to recognize their local graduates.

Local Graduates

Bryant Hill, Oneida, Native American Gaming - Casino Management, Honors

Bryant Hill, Oneida, Supervisory Management, High Honors

Laurel McKinzie, De Pere, Supervisory Management

Jennifer McNutt, Oneida, Supervisory Management, High Honros

Lionel Schuyler, De Pere, Auto Collision Repair and Refinish Technology, Honors

Artists of the Months



Photo submitted by Michelle Smith

We are happy to announce the Artist of the Month for the months of April and May 2006. The awards were given to Willard Johnson, Jr. & JaNace Christjohn for the month of April and to Diego Metoxen & Lindsey Danforth for the month of May. Congratulations to you all. Each artist received a gift card and a certificate. We appreciate their hard work and participation in the Art Program at Oneida Recreation. Seated with the winners is Michelle Smith, Art Specialist for the Rec Center.

Tornado season has started

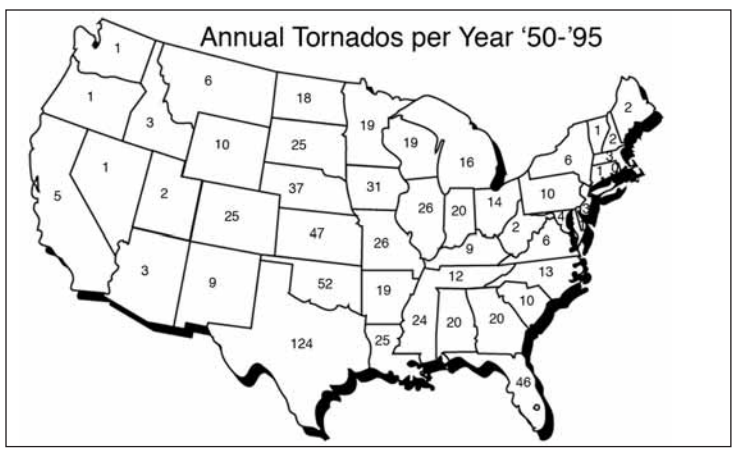
By Steve Gandy
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Along with warm temperatures and humid air, summer brings along another weather phenomenon, tornados. Tornado season is upon us here in North East Wisconsin and with that threat comes the need to examine whether you are prepared in case a tornado strikes your home or work place.

Wisconsin in the middle of the pack when it comes to annual tornado strikes. According to the National Climactic Data Center, from 1950 - 1995 Wisconsin averaged 19 tornados per year, with the leaders being Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas which average 124, 52 and 47 per year respectively. However, in 2005, Wisconsin reported a record setting 62 tornados.

Tornados can strike any time and any where the weather permits. In Wisconsin, however, there is a time window where tornados are most likely to strike. "For Northeast Wisconsin, the hours between 3pm and 7pm, there's a greater chance of a tornado hitting," says Dan King, Safety Coordinator. The local weather man is a good source for information on stormy days. Watching the news or listening to the radio will keep you informed of any new weather changes.

Certain atmospheric conditions are more likely to cause a tornado. The roar of an oncoming thunderstorm does not mean there is going to be a tornado. The recipe needed to brew up a tornado is a precise one. Typically a storm needs two things, hot humid air from the Gulf of Mexico and cool dry air from the Rocky Mountains or Canada. "What we look for is a wall cloud, when you've got high humidity...and you've got a cold front and it shifts it can build a wall cloud high in the air like at 20,000 - 40,000 feet, and those you know are going to be a strong storm," King says. A wall cloud is a typical phenomenon located in a giant thunderstorm called a "supercell" thunderstorm. A supercell is typically perceived as a tornado breeding ground, however only about 30% of supercells produce tornados, but if they do they can produce multiple tornados.



if a tornado is spotted in your area, a tornado warning will be issued via the National Weather Service on all public broadcast systems. "These people know what is going on and you should pay close attention to what they are saying," King said Listen for roads and intersections for the current funnel location, also pay attention to the direction and speed the funnel is moving. Remember that just because a tornado is moving away from you doesn't mean that you are safe, atmospheric conditions are still ripe for another tornado to form. Stay indoors until an all clear is given by weather officials.

The safest place to be in the case of a tornado is roaring toward your house is in your basement. "If you have a stairway coming down into the basement, the best place is under those stairs," King advises. If you do not have a basement, then go to the most interior room in your house and get low. Cover your head with something to protect you from flying debris. It's the flying debris that causes most deaths from tornados according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

As the tornado plows through things it picks up debris, and this debris then starts flying around and hitting things at hundreds of miles per hour and that is what kills people.

The devastation path caused by a tornado can be hundreds of feet wide and miles long. It can disrupt emergency response and local first responders so it is best to be prepared for ones own survival. King emphasizes, "People need to have a survival kit in their basement with them." According to King a survival kit should contain a three day water supply (one gallon per person in the home) and food (nonperishable), a manual can opener, a change of cloths and shoes, flashlight and batteries, radio and batteries, a first aid kit with antiseptic, blankets and what ever else you might need to sustain yourself for three days. King also suggests tools and medication go into a survival kit.

Help will come eventually, but until it does you need to be prepared and able to survive. King says, "People have the image that help is coming right away, but they forget the emergency workers: police, fire, medical people, myself...may be involved in [the tornado]. In the case of a tornado you are going to have debris in the road, you are going to have trees down and it may take a while to get help out."

Until the help arrives, King recommends that neighbors help neighbors by coordinating among themselves who is best suited to perform certain tasks. "That's where your first aid comes in...learn that and only do what you are trained to do and nothing further," says King

Tornados can be a devastating experience, but with proper planning and information they are survivable.

For more information on emergency planning contact Environmental, Health and Safety at 497-5812.

Calendar

EVENTS

June 16

Strawberry Ceremony
WHEN: 9:00 am
PLACE: The Oneida Longhouse

June 30-July 2

Oneida Pow-Wow
***WHEN*:** June 30 - July 2
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center grounds
***ADMISSION*:** Weekend passes $10.00 Daily Passes $5.00 60 & older and 10 & under are free.

July 14

Oneida Pendleton blanket Unveiling
WHEN: July 14, 2006
PLACE: Oneida Smole Shop - Isbell
There will be a limited numberr of blankets available and the first 250 numbered blankets will arrive in October of 2006. Pre-orders are being taken by Angela Moore at (920) 490-8000 x1906 or e-mail to amoore@oneidanation.org

August 4-5

18th Annual Burger Fest & 6th Annual Balloon Rally
WHEN: August 4-5, 2006
TIME: Various
PLACE: Downtown Seymour, Wisconsin
Hot air balloons fly at 6:00pm Friday and Saturday with a balloon glow, and then at 6:00am Saturday and Sunday.
Saturday, August 5th -World's Largest Hamburger Parade 11:00am Hamburger Press Weightlifting Contest, 1:00pm, 60lbs Mini-Burger served at 3:30pm.
Admission is $3 in advance and $6 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. Call **920-833-6688** for tix.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
***WHEN*:** Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Local

SEOTS *News*

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Saturday: 9AM–12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

SEOTS Staff
Mark Denning……..……*Director*
Anne Kreutzinger……*Administrative Asst.*
Carmen Flores……*Administrative Asst.*
Deb Ushakow……*Community Education Specialist*

SEOTS Mission… *Our mission is to provide for the well-being of* On=yote÷a=ka *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS ***News*** once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us.

The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740



Photo submitted by Deb Ushakow

Oneida Nation Vets Marching in the Milwaukee Memorial Day Parade Featured L to R, Leon House, Rick House and Mike Denomie.

Indian Summer Volunteers Needed
Please sign up as soon as possible as the slots fill up early. Call to volunteer 384-7740

Language Class
Date: Thursday, July 6, 13, 20 and 27th, **Time: 6 - 8pm**
Place: Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street

Digital Camera Class
Do you have a digital camera and you don't know the how to's or what for's? Here's your chance to learn with Photographer Jim Kelly. Please bring your own camera, as camera's will not be provided. Date: Wednesday, July 12th and July 19th
Time: 6:30pm

Tommy Bartlett Trip in the Dells
Rain or shine it's the Tommy Bartlett Water Show! Van will leave promptly at 9:00am. Lunch at the Ho-Chunk Casino with the Water Show to follow at 4:30. The cost for Seniors 65 and over is $18. Adults fee under 65 is $20. You will need to bring spending money and be ready to have a great time! The return time will be approximately 9pm. Date: Friday, July 7th Time: 9am Return approximately 8:30pm Call to Reserve your place, seating for 10 people - Seots 384-7740

Annual Seots Picnic and Pool party!
Theme is Oneida Colors, Purple and White. Wear purple and white clothes, be creative, use paints, sew, stencil etc. The most unique will win a prize! (One adult and one child)
Bring your Swimming Suit, Pool will be open from 6 - 7pm for Community Members use that are attending the Picnic. Life guards will be on duty and the pool is Ours for one hour! Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.
(Pinata for children at 2:45, followed by contest judging, bingo, food and swimming.)
Basketball, Volleyball, Pinata, Entertainment, Raffles and Bingo!
Bring a dish to pass, lawn chairs, sports equipment, swim suits
Parents are responsible for their children and please no alcohol. ***Be there or be square!***
Date: Sunday, August 6th
Time: 2pm - 7pm
Place: McCarty Park, 8214 W. Cleveland, in the Pavilion

Family Photo Day
Come to Seots for a family photo! Oneida Tribal member Jim Kelly will be photographing your family photo for the low cost of $5.00. Picture will be available the same day. Photo shoot will take approximately 15 minutes. Call to reserve your time at 384-7740.
Date: July 22nd
Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm
Place: Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street

It's Your Choice - An MPS We Indians Program for Teens
The We Indians Program is sponsoring a program designed for Middle-school and High-school age students held at the Seots office beginning Tuesday, June 20, 2005 throughout the summer. Students will meet on Tuesday 3:30pm - 7:00pm. The program will include extra-curricular activities, guest speakers, attendance incentives, bus tickets for transportation and evening meal will be included. Parents are welcome to attend. To join It's Your Choice or if you have any questions call Rashonda Kaquatosh, **304-6107**
Date: Tuesday's, June 20th, 26th, July 11th, 18th and 25th
Place: Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street

Kids Klub
Kids Klub is fun, fun, fun! Crafts, games, trips, hiking, swimming and fun! Oneida language and culture is a part of each day. Ages 7 - 12 are welcome! Parents must sign permission slips on the first day. Please bring a brown bag lunch. A snack will be provided. Class is limited to 10 children.
Date: Monday, June 26th, July 3rd, Tuesday, July 11th, 18th, and July 25th
Time: 10-3pm

Teen Prevention Workshop
Prevention workshop for youth. Subjects to be covered are teen pregnancy, HIV/AIDS and drug prevention. The program and presentation will include games, raffles and dinner. **Certificates and prizes will be awarded to all that attend both workshops.** Registration is limited to 30. Please register one week prior to workshop. Parents will have to sign consent form 1 hour prior to workshop or sign consent at an earlier date. Program is a coordination of agencies in the community along with Seots.
Parental Consent is needed, Please call to register with Charity Schwingle, Ignace Indian Health Center, 414-383-9526 or Deb Ushakow, Seots, 414-384-7740
Dates: Thursday, June 29th and Thursday July 13th
Time: Tentatively 3:00
Place: Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street

Culinary Creations Class in Oneida
Interested in cooking this is the class for you! Reserve your seat! Room for 10 Chefs!
Date: Thursday, July 13th
Time: Tentatively 5:00pm
Call to Reserve your spot, or if you have any questions **384-7740**

Craft Class will continue in September

Oneida Cultural Heritage - classes will resume in the fall

Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office
Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and information available to Veterans without an appointment once a month at SEOTS. Rodney is a counselor with the Vets Center. His specialty is working with war veterans and their families, although he will try to help any veteran with any questions they may have. The Vet's Center does with work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations in order to provide the best care for veterans. -- All Veteran's Are Welcome--
Date: Tuesday, July 4
Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm
Place: SEOTS

FYI - For Your Information - Sweat Lodge
Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call 383-7072 and ask for Dona.

Attention all Community Members
One of our young community members is in need of a "kidney transplant". Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. Its possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at **(414)385-2550.** Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who know's you may be a match? Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Computer lab now available for use
Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Open lab every day and Saturday 9 - 12pm.

Veterans
Support Our Veterans! Veterans have served our county since the Revolutionary War. They are also requesting that we support our Veterans where ever they are serving. The contact person for the Color Guard is Leon House (414)543-1622. *We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans. Keep up the good work!*

MAIRN Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network Meeting
If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information about our community, such as: contacts, what's happening in Indian country regarding health, community education, and other important issues that affect our community. Guest speakers will present topics of interest and will share their resources that are available for the community. This is a must for area Indian agencies and businesses.
Date: July 26
Time : 12:00-2:00pm
Place: Next Meeting will be held at "The Gathering Place" at the Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street , alternate place will be Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street.
Notices will be sent to members *(Others interested please call 384-7740)*

Potluck---Potluck—Potluck Tsyunhehkwa
If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If there is anything you would like that we don't carry we would be happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida.

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings
The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.
Date: Tuesday, July 11th and 25th
Time: 6:00pm
Please call and inquire before attending **384-7740**

Next **SEOTS** Publication…
July 20th 2006

Do you know me?



Photo submitted by Barb Skenandore

This photo comes from the Marlene Skenandore collection, Her mother is Cynthia Jourdan, and her father is Arthur Skenandore. Her grandparents on her mother's side are Ephriam Jourdan and Elsie (Christjohn) Jourdan. Her grandparents on her father's side are Thomas Skenandore and Kate (Doxtator) Skenandore. If you have any information about their identity, please contact the Oneida Library at **920-869-2210** or write to: **Oneida Library, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI, 54155.**



Information around the city

211 Impact - Simply call 211 for help with life/food/shelter/health/crisis intervention, etc.
Pow Wow AA Group
All Welcome - Thursday's - 8:00pm, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th
Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 383-9526
Domestic Violence - Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132/Ext.153 - Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case Manager/Advocate and available to assist women or family members
Urban Circle of Voices - Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper: 643-5510 - Vicky Rank
Interfaith Program for the Elderly - Meals on Monday and Friday -11:30am
631 N. 19th St. - First Friday of the month at 5pm.

Weekly Events

Movies and Library
The SEOTS office has a collection of movies and library books for check-out. A large selection of Native American books fiction and non-fiction. Books and movies can be checked-out free of charge. Also, please return any past due books or movies so we can update our library.

Oneida language class - Summer Hours
Oneida language classes are taught at SEOTS on a weekly basis with Oneida instructors. You can also access the language program during the week on computers available at SEOTS. Dates: Summer hours - Thursday, July 6, 13, 20 and 27th Time: 6 - 8 pm
Place: Seots

Oneida Singers
Oneida singers meet every Sunday at 6:30pm at the SEOTS office. They are available for events and services. Please contact John House 443-0301or Seots 384-7740 Date: Monday, July 3, 10, 17 and 24th Time: 6:30pm Place: Seots

Van Trip
Date: Wednesday, July 19th
Time: Van leaves at 8:00am sharp and returns at approximately 5:30pm **SEOTS transports Oneida tribal members to Oneida every third Wednesday of the month.** Staff will make two stops in Oneida. The Casino and the Health Center. If you wish to visit family members or do other business, arrange for transportation or you may ride the Oneida Transit for the fee of $1. Please bring lunch money or brown bag as we are in Oneida for the day. The pick-up for return is at the Oneida Casino at 3:00pm. Returning to Milwaukee between 5-6pm. Please plan appropriately and remember to call ahead to put your name on the reservation list. 384-7740.

SEOTS van trip and script pick-up
Script pick-up: Wednesday, July 5, 12, 19 and 26th
Last day to call in meds for the following Wednesday pick-up is no later than 4:00pm each FRIDAY! You must order meds the week BEFORE each pick up. You can not order the same week you are requesting a pick up unless you are going to pick up your meds or arrange to have someone else pick them up for you. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions about this. Always make 2 calls - SEOTS & PHARMACY (If you don't get your name on the SEOTS List, your meds will not be included in the pick up.)

State/National

From Page 1A/*DNR hearing*

fails? Have you gone to that extreme with the project?" asked Ken Webster.

Many people sited concerns about the high water table in the landfill area and the lack liability for the paper companies.

"It's a very bad site and there's no guarantees for anyone when something goes wrong. I will be up to the residents of Wisconsin to pay to clean it up." said Laura Manthe in an interview following the hearing.

Sisters Olivia, age 12, and Lauren Hoeft, age 16, spoke as representatives of their generation.

"I have my whole life ahead of me and I don't want to be responsible for cleaning up this mess." Lauren stated at the hearing.

"I know this waste is very harmful and it can do extreme damage," said Olivia.

Lori Webster spoke of her concerns for her children and grandchildren living on her property near the landfill.

"I hope my family will raise their children there, but I want it to be safe and there's no guarantee and to me that's very frightening." she testified.

While the hearing was attended by members of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC), Lori expressed disappointment that a statement from the Oneida Nation wasn't presented at that time.

"I feel that it needed to be said by the tribe what our stand is on the issue. They need to have a voice and I want to know what our voice is." she said after the hearing.

OBC Chairman Gerald Danforth did speak but only to convey a message from Dr. Steven Kagan who was unable to stay for the meeting.

"Should PCB's be placed at this site or in close proximity to residential areas? Dr. Kagan says no, they should not." relayed Danforth.

Georgia-Pacific and state officials presented an overview of the plan at the beginning of the meeting, but time ran out for the question and answer session.

The PCB's would be placed in Cell 13 of the landfill. It would have a base liner made up of non-woven geotextiles, hard plastic sheets, clay liners, four feet of compacted clay and 10 to 16 feet of ash base to contain the material.

Many people supported sending the contaminated soil to a site in the Town of Holland which has a much thicker layer of clay.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources will take written comment regarding the proposed Georgia-Pacific plan through 4:30 p.m. June 15.
Comments can be sent to:
Len Polczinski, waste program manager, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 10448 Green Bay, WI 54307

Supreme Court won't review Senecas' claim

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) ~ The U.S. Supreme Court Monday declined to review a lower court decision rejecting the Seneca Indian Nation's claim that New York's purchase of Grand Island in 1815 was illegal.

The nation's highest court refused without comment to review the case, which began in 1993 with a lawsuit seeking a return of the island, occupied by about 18,000 people, and several others in the Niagara River north of Buffalo.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in September 2004 upheld a federal judge's findings that the state's purchase of the islands for $1,000 was proper.

While the legal options have been exhausted, an attorney for the Tonawanda Band of Senecas, who were plaintiffs along with the Seneca Indian Nation, said the tribe would continue to pursue the issue.

"The Tonawanda Seneca Nation isn't going to give up its efforts to find some measure of justice for the wrongful taking of its lands in the early 1800s," said Alex Page of the Indian Law Resource Center in Washington.

The lawsuit claimed that the state's purchase of the islands was not valid because it was not approved by Congress as required by a 1790 act. But the Court of Appeals said it appeared the state already held proper title to Grand Island before making the agreement with the Senecas, meaning any deficiencies in that transaction were moot.

Oneida Nation Opposes Modification of Landfill to Allow PCBs

Oneida Nation Official Statement
June 6, 2006

The Oneida Nation has taken formal action to oppose disposal of PCB contaminated waste in the Georgia Pacific landfill. Even though this site had been used as a landfill since 1964, in its natural state it is a wetlands, and is now surrounded by residential and commercial property. Under current state and federal laws the geologic conditions at this site would rule out licensing as a solid waste landfill, much less a toxic waste site. Oneida is urging the state and other interested parties to pursue other viable alternatives for toxic waste disposal.

The Government of the Oneida nation feels an obligation to its citizens and neighbors to protect and preserve the environment for future generations. For decades the Nation had worked very hard, along with other concerned parties to protect and restore the natural resources that we all value. Recent messages opposing the dumping of PCB contaminants at this site coming from local government officials and community members, mirror many of our concerns.

The Oneida Nation has a commendable track record of environmental preservation, restoration and education. As an injured party within the Fox River cleanup, th Nation is entitled to restoration support that will be dedicated to the development of a lake on the reservation. The Nation's efforts to restore wetlands and waterways, coupled with cooperative initiatives with local governments, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and federal agencies, have dramatically improved the local ecological balance. We can't afford to regress from those accomplishments.

The Oneida Nation is committed to engaging with its neighbors and appropriate state and federal agencies to achieve a safe and timely solution to this challenge. By supporting the Fox River cleanup and calling for responsible and comparable assessment of the alternatives for toxic disposal, our region will be enhanced and the future health and well-being of subsequent generations will be more secure.

Senate schedules debate, cloture vote on Akaka bill

By The Associated Press

The U.S. Senate moved a step closer to a vote on the bill to grant federal recognition to Native Hawaiians, scheduling three hours of debate Wednesday and a vote Thursday on whether to take the bill to the Senate floor.

The bill needs the votes of 60 senators to open the way for full Senate consideration.

Late Tuesday, Senate Majority Whip Mitch McConnell filed a petition for a cloture vote on the so-called Akaka bill, which would set up some kind of Native Hawaiian governing body in Hawaii.

The vote would set the stage for possible further debate and a vote on the bill itself. Cloture ends the possibility that opponents could filibuster the bill and prevent a vote.

McConnell, at the same time, filed for a cloture vote on the Estate Tax, also known as the "death tax" Debate on that would precede consideration of cloture for the Akaka bill.

Senate Democrats, led by Sen. Daniel Akaka, D-Hawaii, appear to have near unanimous support for the Akaka bill, but several Republicans oppose it as an unconstitutional, race-based plan. Senate Republicans, on the other hand, support permanent repeal of the estate tax, also known as the "death tax," even though they appear to lack enough support to get past Democrats' objections.

Both issues are scheduled to be debated Wednesday afternoon with cloture votes on Thursday.

If the cloture vote succeeds, passage of either bill would require only a simple majority. While a cloture vote generally indicates support for a bill, it does not guarantee passage of any bill, because opponents sometimes vote for cloture and then vote against the bill itself after further debate.

"I am grateful to the Senate leadership for filing cloture on my bill," said Akaka, who has tried for years to bring the issue to a vote. "I look forward to the vote and am confident that many of my colleagues will support the motion to proceed."

From Page 1A/*Caucus*

Oneida Land Commission

Seven vacancies, three with three year terms, two with two year terms, two with one year terms:

Wendell McLester, Amelia Cornelius, Cheryl Ann Shommer, Ron Hill, Jr., Caroline Miller, Terry Hetzel, Judy Cornelius, Beverley A. Skenandore, Beverly J. Skenandore, Arlene Danforth, David Webster

Oneida Nation Commission on Aging (ONCOA)

Three Vacancies with three year terms

Josephine Oudenhoven, Delora Cornelius, Don McLester, Jackie Thomas, Warren Skenandore

Oneida Land Claims Commission

Two vacancies with four year terms

Hugh Danforth, Loretta Metoxen, Gina Powless-Benostra, Wendell McLester
Oneida Trust Committee
Three vacancies with three year terms

Carol Liggens, Loretta Metoxen, Carol L. Smith, Daniel B. Thomas, Arlene Danforth, Shirley Barber, Barbra J. Cornelius, David Webster, Josephine Oudenhoven, Delora Cornelius, Lois Strong, Beverly J. Skenandore, Gina Powless-Benostra

Oneida School Board

Four vacancies, two at large and two parent positions with three year terms

Linda Mercier, Stacey Nieto, Cheryl Ann Shommer, Ron Hill, Jr., Daniel Thomas, Beverly J. Skenandore

Applications are due Monday, June 12th. Names on the ballots will appear in the order in which they are received. An application must be filled out for each position.

Oneida members who wish to have their name added to the ballot must fill out an application and present verifiable signatures from 10 members of the Oneida Nation.

Applications can be picked up and dropped off in Room 282 on the second floor of the Norbert Hill Center from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Notice

The Vacant seat for the **Gaming Commission** election to be held in July will be a **PART-TIME** position.

Trust–Enrollment Referendum Question that will be on July Ballot.

The Trust - Enrollment Committee requests your approval for the development of a separation plan. The Plan would require General Tribal Council ratification. Since 1974, the functions of the Trust-Enrollment Committee have grown in complexity and scope. The Committee addresses issues on trust fund investment responsibilities with the Trust Department, and administers all Tribal enrollment responsibilities with the Enrollment Department. Each Department has it's own focus separate from each. To better meet the growing needs of the Oneida Nation, the Trust Department, the Enrollment Department, and the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee recommend creating two (2) separate committees. The two Committees would still remain under the direct authority of the General Tribal Council.

I approve the development of a Plan to Separate the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee.

YES **NO**

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus
(formerly "Tribal Social Security Plan")

NOTICE: THIS PLAN MAY BE IN LIEU OF PER CAPITA PAYMENTS AND THE BURIAL FUND

On August 11, 1997 The Oneida Trust Committee was directed by the General Tribal Council to present a Tribal Social Security Plan to the General Tribal Council. A motion was made that the Trust Committee work with Bill Gollnick and bring back a comprehensive plan on the Tribal Social Security System. The Community Meetings purpose are to introduce components for the plan. The dates are:

June 13, 2006 – Tuesday • Parish Hall, 6:00PM to 8:00 PM

June 13, 2006 – Saturday • On-line presentation for SEOTS – 1:00 PM

June 22, 2006 – Saturday • One-line presentation for SEOTS – 6:00 PM

Refreshments will be served at Parish Hall meetings.

Please attend for the information and to provide input. If you have any questions, please call the Trust Department at **(920) 490-3935.**

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Legislative Review

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

I attended a Pandemic Flu Summit in Washington DC on May 18, 2006 which was both encouraging and challenging. It is encouraging that our Government is actually planning and strategizing, not just talking. While no one wants to see a pandemic, all indications by the experts that be, say the likelihood is very real. Tribes are being encouraged to participate in the planning on a State level. The funding requirements for the State actually require for the Tribes to be included in this phase in order for the State to receive federal funding, so that is one major step in the right direction. The challenge to this that is a little worrisome, is the complex coordination that needs to take place to arrive at a truly workable plan. Oneida has been working on an emergency response plan as a result of Hurricane Katrina and the efforts from FEMA for better preparedness. The work on a Pandemic Plan will be a part of this overall plan. We have a group of staff whom I know are more than capable for putting these plans together.

The Tribe recently was made aware of a proposal to take the toxic waste removed from the Fox River and place it in a cell on the former Ft. Howard site, commonly referred to as the sludge ponds. The State DNR, working with Georgia Pacific, is supportive of this proposal. However, we feel a further analysis needs to occur and a review of appropriate regulations. The Oneida Tribe will formally state our opposition to this project and request the further analysis to be completed prior to a final determination by the DNR.

It's summertime, and the potential for projects to move forward is extremely likely. One that has been on the drawing board already for some time is the Packerland One Stop, a new facility to be located on the corner of Packerland and Waube Lane. As of discussions to this point, a temporary delay to construction will occur in order to allow parties to further discuss development possibilities near that location.

Another project is the new Townhouses to be built on the frontage road off of West Mason Street in Green Bay. It is my understanding some of these units may be made available for ownership. Anyone interested should talk to the Oneida Land Office for applications.

Land Claims continues to take up a lot of the Committee's time. We are back to our regular updates and I sincerely hope we have progress to report to the Community. However, the politics in New York leave me with a more pessimistic attitude. A lot is happening right now and mostly it involves attorneys trying to figure out how best to use the recent decisions to the favor of their clients. We are in the mix to make sure these interpretations are not made to the detriment of the Oneida Tribe.

Finally, with summer arriving, we also have the graduating Class of `06 to congratulate on their successful completion of their education. We hope serious consideration will be given to further those efforts but whatever you decide to do we wish you luck.

Letter, Opinion...



Good fences make good neighbors

First let's make it clear as to whose cattle you're talking about. I guess you could say that the cattle belong to the Oneida Tribe. I do believe those cattle are located on the Tsyunhehkwa site in Oneida. Ken, if you have received a substantial amount in damages. I suggest that you send an itemized bill to Jeff Metoxen the manager of that department. I understand that the cattle have been on your property at least five times. There is a old saying that good fences make good neighbors. I know how it is when a buffalo or steer tries to escape. I'm sure that this issue will be resolved and taken care of.

Patricia A Cornelius Mgr.
Oneida Nation Farms

Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Melinda Danforth

Greetings Oneida Nation, this time of the season brings great joy in seeing Mother Earth's colorful transformation from winter season into spring and also the time of year we prepare for the planting season.

It's also the time of year for honoring and acknowledging the accomplishments of all our Oneida graduates who've completed educational milestones beginning from Head start, 8th grade, high school, and college. Congratulations on your accomplishments and continue to reach for all of your dreams!

I have always been a strong proponent of higher education and continuous learning and most recently I had the opportunity to expand my own learning about a very important life lesson–the consequences of drinking and driving. "Every 15 Minutes" was a lesson presented to the Oneida Nation High School students. The title "Every 15 Minutes" comes from the alarming statistic that every 15 minutes someone in the United States dies of an alcohol related traffic collision. High School students were recruited to role play as characters in a car crash scene caused by drinking and driving. An actual scene was laid out in front of the Norbert Hill Center with actual damaged cars, Oneida police, firemen, county rescue, first responders and Ryan's Funeral Home. The students witnessed the crash scene with 911 callers in the background, chaotic movement by the police, firemen, first responders and county rescue, and got to see first hand their fellow students role play as injured and deceased vehicle passengers. This was a very powerful lesson presented and coordinated by the Oneida Nation High School and C.A.P.S. (Community Analysis and Planning Strategies) grant. As a witness to watching the "re-enactment" unfold, I watched my sister, Twyla Danforth be treated at the scene as a passenger victim who became paralyzed as a result of the crash. It was very painful to again be faced with this reality of drinking and driving. These types of accidents have happened in our community and will continue to happen if we don't take a strong stand and educate our children about the effects of drugs, alcohol, gangs and all the other negative forces our children will face. It's our responsibility as leaders of the community, as parents, and educators to stay involved in all aspects of our children's lives and prepare them with knowledge and tools, so they make good decisions.

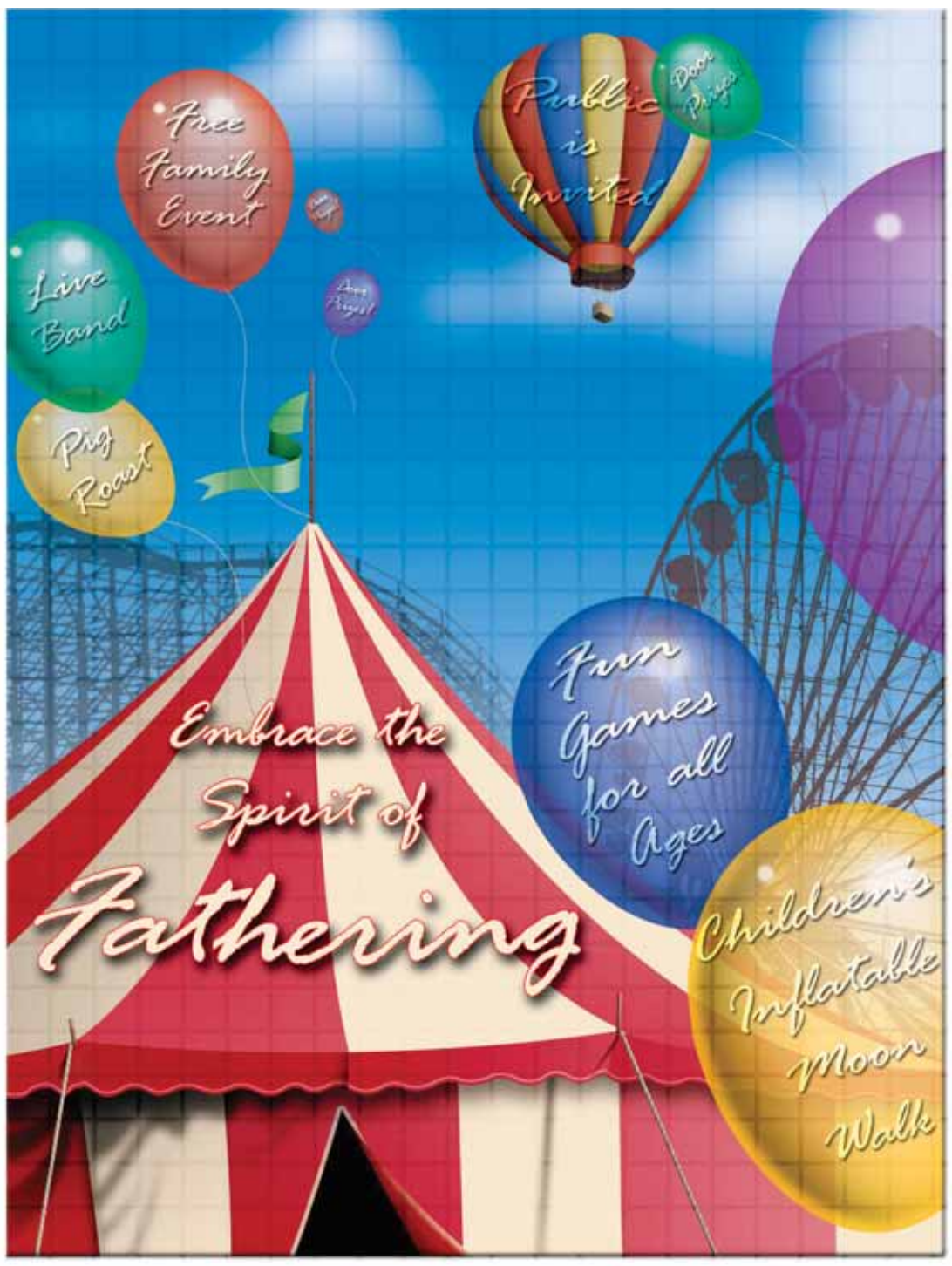
The high school students whom participated are too be commended for an excellent job. They were called upon to re-create one of life's most horrific experiences of being involved in a mock alcohol related crash that ultimately claimed the lives of two students. Special thanks to all the participants that made this learning experience possible: so to our Oneida Police Department, Oneida First Responders, Oneida Volunteer Fire Department, County Rescue, St. Vincents Hospital, Ryans Funeral Home, Joe Steven's Auto Salvage, Outagamie County Sheriff- Brad Gehring and Emergency Dispatch, Outagamie County DA, 911 caller-Luwasanahawi Danforth, Lifetouch National Studios, Radisson Hotel, Videographer-Ernie Stevens III, Oneida Juvenile Diversion, Oneida Trails Program, Oneida Behavioral Health, Oneida Singers, Bob Brown, Duck Creek Crossing Singers, Heather Hougard, the parents and families of the students, and lastly the Oneida Nation School Systems and CAPS Coordinators-Justine Souto and Tracy Metoxen. A video has been done on this project and I hope each community member takes the time to view this powerful message when the opportunity presents.

Along with keeping our youth healthy and traveling down the right path in life, I'd like to commend the following students for their outstanding athletic performances. Eddy Joe Skenandore of Southwest HS made it to the Wisconsin State Wrestling Tournament, Les Cornette of Southwest HS made it to sectionals in wrestling, Twyla Danforth of Oneida Nation HS made it to sectionals in the shot put category, Gerald Danforth of Seymour HS made it to Wisconsin State Track & Field meet in the 100m dash, 200m dash and 400 relay, Jonas Hill of Oneida Nation HS made it to sectionals for golf, Mike King, Joe Mehojah and Gabe Vega of Seymour HS made it to the Wisconsin State Track & Field meet for the 400 relay.

Congratulations are also in order for Ms. Becky Nutt, Oneida Nation Science teacher, who received a "Teacher of Distinction" recognition at the Golden Apple Award ceremony. Also congratulations to Debbie Santiago who received a first division rating on her vocal solo at the WSMA State contest, Debbie is the first Oneida student to advance to the state level of music competition.

In closing, I want to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melinda J. Danforth,
Councilwoman





Father's Fair
Thursday, June 15, 2006
5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Oneida Family Fitness Center
Contact Heather Lee at 490-3788 for more information.

Sports

Fore!

By Steven Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Oneida Nation High School Senior, Jonas Hill, has been playing golf since he was five years old. Since then he has become a scratch golfer averaging 39.88 per nine holes.


Jonas Hill

Recently Hill participated in both sectional and regional competitions for ONHS and just missed the state competition by three strokes shooting an 83. Hill has made the top five in every competition he has entered this year.

Hill will also be participating in the Indigenous Games in Denver, Colorado on July 2nd through the 6th. These games are open to all persons indigenous to North America. "It's gonna be a sweet little thing, we're gonna march into Mile High Stadium in a parade type thing," Hill said. Hill will be competing with other golfers from Wisconsin for Team Wisconsin.

Future aspirations include attending college this fall. He is hoping to get into Haskell Indian Nation College in Lawrence, Kansas on a golf scholarship. "I plan on golfing at college, maybe Haskell for two years, and then maybe going to KU or a bigger school and hopefully improve my game," said Hill about his future.



Danforth places 6th at WIAA state games in La Crosse

Photo courtesy of Irene Danforth

Senior Gerald Danforth (center in red) of the Seymour High School Track and Field Team came in sixth in the 200 with a time of 22.75 and 8th in the 100 with 11.26 in Division 2 at the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association State Meet held June 3-4 in La Crosse.

Danforth also competed in the 400 relay with Seymour Thunder teammates Mike King, Joe Mehojah and Gabe Vega.

Also making the state games was Twyla Danforth of the Oneida Nation High School for girls shotput.

Legendary PGA tour player will be in Oneida for Jr. Golf Program

Submitted by Conrad King

There is still room left for the Jr. Golf Program of all ages. We have a special guest conducting the 6 - 8-year-old program this year. His name is Butch Baird. Mr. Baird is a 40-year veteran on the PGA tour. Mr. Baird retired from the tour in 1999. He has played golf with Legends such as Jack Nicholas, Arnold Palmer, Lee Trevino etc . . . He has also been instructed by the great David Leadbetter.

In addition to the 6 - 8-year-old program, Mr. Baird will be conducting a number of clinics. Friday, July 14, 06 at 10:00am for youth of all ages, Friday evening at 5:00pm for all instructors teaching or leading golf programs, Saturday, July 15, 06 at 9:00 a.m. for ALL golfers followed by lunch and a round of golf TBA.

This is an event you cannot afford to miss. Mr. Baird's interest in our community stems from his belief that there should be more Native American representation on the PGA tour. His focus is to assist our community to build a solid foundation for our youth to assist in reaching their fullest potential.

There will be NO FEE required to attend either of the clinics. Food will be provided. All Clinics will be held at the Hidden Valley Driving Range. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Conrad at **920-869-1088.**

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Oneida Poker Room to send three to Las vegas' WSOP

By Steven Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Oneida Casino's Poker Room, located in the Mason Street Casino, held its final satellite tournament on June 4th for the World Series of Poker (WSOP). This was the third and final chance to play in the satellite with the other tournaments held in January and April. The players who win the Oneida Satellites will all have the chance at the big money to be won in Las Vegas at the WSOP Main Event. In addition to the WSOP buy-in of $10,000 they will also receive three days at the Rio Hotel and Casino, air fair, $500 spending cash and show tickets for themselves and a companion. Oneida Casino Poker Room will be sending three luck winners to Las Vegas.

The 2006 World Series of Poker (WSOP) is set to begin on June 25th and slated to run through Aug. 10th. There are a number of events that will take place over the six week poker marathon, but there is none more intriguing or popular than the Main Event which is slated to begin on July 28th of this year. The Main Event is a $10,000 buy-in and should draw more than 6000 entrants this year. The game played will be no-limit Texas Hold'em, a type of poker widely regarded as the premier choice in poker for no-limit action as well as tournament style games. No-limit Hold'em is by far the most popular choice of poker game for casinos as it is a quick tempo game and fairly easy to learn.

"Texas Hold'em is our most popular game here in the Poker Room," said Shelly Schoen the Oneida Casino Poker Room Manager.

The 2005 WSOP drew a record 5619 entrants with a total prize pool of $52,818,610 with 7.5 million being paid out to the winner. 2006 is expected to be even bigger as the popularity of poker grows and on-line poker sites give more and more seats to non-professional poker players through satellites and super-satellites. Schoen says, "On-line Poker has created a new base of customers for our poker room, they learn it on-line and want a to see what a real game is like, so they come here."

A satellite is a tournament style game played with a lower buy-in than the event one is trying to get to. The idea is to win a seat by out-playing other opponents. A super satellite is basically the same thing except one needs to win more than one tournament to get to a main event. For example, the WSOP main event is $10,000 to enter, a satellite for that event might be a single table tournament (ten players) who will all buy in for $1000.00 and the winner takes all (10 x 1,000 = 10,000) to the main event. A super satellite for that might be a single table tournament with a $100 buy in and the winner takes all (10 x 100 = 1000) to the satellite event. "We're giving our players a chance they may other wise not have, a chance to play in the Main Event at the WSOP, it's a good promotion for them," Schoen said..

Satellites have proven to be popular way for many players to join the professional poker players in Las Vegas and try to win piece of the action, and for the past three years an amateur has won the Main Event. A professional poker player has not won the WSOP main event since Robert Varkonyi back in 2002. This year the winner may be someone sent by Oneida Casino Poker Room.



4th Annual Oneida Days

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Bear Paw Keepsakes
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H.O.G. (Harley Owners Group) Ride
June 23–25
Gail Grissman
920-429-3297
ggrissma@oneidanation.org

Art on Artley (Art And Music Festival)
June 23–24
Free Event
Kim Siebers
920-869-2210

Family Picnic
June 24
Glory Laflex
920-869-2448

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June 27 2-6 PM
Across from
Oneida Post Office

Oneida Museum's 10th Annual Cultural Festival June 29
Museum Grounds
W892 County Rd EE
Cindy Reiter
920-869-2768
Fax 920-869-2959
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June 30–July2
Entry Fee $175
Geno Danforth
920-869-1362

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NHC Grounds
Oneida Powwow Committee
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Dancers/Singers $5
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Annual Oneida Parade Theme "Jungle Jam"
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Fax 920-496-7893

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Local

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Kali photos/Yvonne Kaquatosh, top left & above
Bottom photos courtesy of Communications staff

The crowd enjoyed entertainer John Anderson on Saturday evening. Awesome fireworks display was enjoyed by all after the concert. Below, left: Shooting hoops was a constant throughout the weekend. Bottom left: two girls 'scramblin' on the Scrambler.





CORRECTION

On page 6A of the May 25th issue of the Kalihwisaks, Fawn Twinn's father's name, Ferd Twinn, was misspelled. We apologize for the error.



Kelly Kraemer was inadvertently omitted from the High School Graduates section of the Kalihwisaks, May 25th 2006 issue. Miss Kraemer hails from Eden Prairie, MN. We sincerely apologize for the error.

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE ART SHOW: JUNE 14, 2006.
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Thunderhawk Times

Every Fifteen Minutes...



Kali photo/Steve Gandy

The drunk driver, played by Roland Christjohn, is being given a field sobriety test by two officers from the Oneida Police Department. ONHS Students and community members were able to both watch and listen to OPD officers while the test was being administered. After the test, Christjohn was arrested, handcuffed and then placed in the back of an OPD squad car.

By Joe Christjohn
ONHS Junior

I'm sure that most of the high school saw what happened these past two days. Tuesday and Wednesday there was a mock car crash and that happened fifteen minutes before death came into our school and took a couple of our students and they died in that car accident.

But I was kind of amazed when they pulled that blue tarp off the cars and then my friend Eddie Metoxen opened the door and fell out of the car.

And then I looked at the other car and the was my other friend Debbie Santiago. She was laying outside of the windshield that looked kind of real with all of the blood going down the side of the car. And then my brother Roland, started out of the car and then he was staggering toward the other side by Debbie and tried to wake her up but she was dead on the scene. Like I said before, that looked very graphic. Imagine if that was real. That would be really tragic if both of my friends died. I would be very disappointed at my brother for driving while intoxicated. And for driving he went to jail for doing what he did. But I am glad that they did that because people should know when not to drink and drive. They are taking the life of themselves and maybe someone else. So, if you had watched what happened these past two days, you would know what happens when you drink and drive with friends because it causes nothing but pain.

X-Men, The Last Stand

By Scott Lynk
ONHS senior

If you like action and special effects, then this movie is for you. If you just want to see a movie that's worth $8.75, then this movie is not for you.

In X-Men, The Last Stand, it's pretty much the same from the first movie to the third. You still have the good mutants, the bad mutants, a few new mutants, but the story was just boring and the movie was longer than most, making it even worse.

Yes, there are some big-name actors who star in the film like Patrick Stewart from Star Trek; Halle Berry from ... well, it's Halle Berry; and the guy who played Frazier – what's his name.

If you're a fan or if you've heard this movie was good, then by all means go see it. I don't rate movies on how good or bad they are, I rate them on whether or not I get my money's worth. On that basis, I give X-Men, The Last Stand 2 stars.

My Scoop

Too much racism in America

By Stakwas Danforth
ONHS Senior

Racism affects so many people around the world, especially people in the United States.

Unfortunately, I think the U.S. has the most racism. It's not a good thing at all and it puts so many people down.

Yes, racism has happened to me so many times. It has happened mostly in public schools from students and teachers. There's not much I could do about it besides get into fights, but that wouldn't make things better. If I said something to teachers, they wouldn't seem to care at all because many of them seem to be racist themselves.

I can honestly say that I have never been racist to anyone, because I know how it feels. It really makes you mad.

I hope that it won't be around in later generations, but I think it most likely will. I don't think racism will really ever stop because there are so many messed up people around this world.

On the cutting edge of technology: Geographic Information Technology and Global Positioning Satellites

By Darrell Skenandore
ONHS Junior and Thunderhawk Times second semester editor

This semester ONHS students participated in a class on the cutting edge of technology. It is called GIT or Geographic Information Technology. As a part of the class, students worked with computers and global positioning technologies. The class has been team taught by science teacher Becky Nutt and language arts/social studies teacher Carol Johnson.

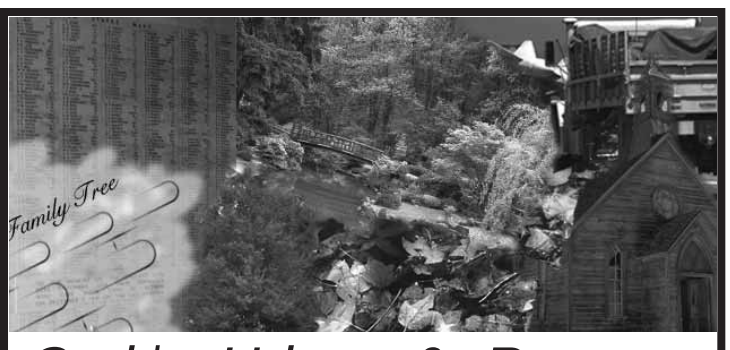
Here's a little info on the science: What is GPS? The Global Positioning System (GPS) is a worldwide radio-navigation system formed from 24 satellites and their ground stations. It uses these satellites to figure out positions accurate within just a few meters. They can even be used to make measurements to within a centimeter.

The system basically gives every square meter on earth its own address. GPS receivers are very small and economical, making the technology accessible to nearly everyone. GPS can be found in cars, boats, planes, construction equipment, movie making gear, farm machinery, even laptop computers. Experts predict that GPS devices will soon become almost as basic as the telephone.



Submitted photo/Denis Gullickson

ONHS teacher Carol Johnson works with Jake Person on the computer during GTI class.



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Student Athletes of the Year named

By Scott Lynk
ONHS senior

The 2005-2006 Student Athletes of the Year were named at the ONHS athletic banquet on Wednesday, May 31. They are Eddie Metoxen and Twyla Danforth.

The award for Student Athlete of the Year was the highlight of the night as it was the last award to be handed out at the end of the banquet.

Eddie Metoxen, who has now earned his second Student Athlete award, was a three-sport athlete this year, playing football, wrestling and track.

Twyla, a first-time Student Athlete, was also a three-sport athlete, playing volleyball, basketball and track.

The featured speaker for the evening was former Packer and 49er coach and player, Harry Sydney.

Why horses rock

By Alaina Thunder
ONHS Freshman

Since long ago, horses have been a part in every Native American's life. They were our transportation, shelter and also our friend. We have relied on the horses; they have relied on us.

As a person who owns a horse, I will tell you now that it is a lot of work to keep them healthy and alive--but every moment of feeding, grooming and loving time that you give them they will give back what you gave them.

My horse is like my best friend.

Softball Season ends on a damp, sad note

Darrell Skenandore
ONHS Junior and Thunderhawk Times second semester editor

The girls softball team did not have a great season, definitely not as good a season as they wanted.

They lost all of their games by the "ten run rule." But their season was also hurt by the wet weather. They only had two games, because the rest were were rained out in early May. Their last game, set for May 17, was also canceled due to rain.

ONHS only has two spring sports that an athlete can go to state in – track and golf. The baseball and softball teams cannot go to state because they are "club" sports. Baseball season was cancelled early in the season because of poor grades. But the girls have played through losses and the weather because they enjoy the sport.

The girls were coached by Kathy Brunette and Cory Spencer.

Snippets of baseball past

by Earl Elm
ONHS junior

The first ever recorded baseball contest was in 1846.

After the Civil War, many sports sprang up, but the one that most that people liked was baseball.

People think that baseball is America's pastime, but they think it was derived from the game cricket. Baseball was never called baseball, but rounders.

In 1791 the first known game was played in Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

The Milwaukee Brewers were originally called the Milwaukee Greys because their baseball clothes were grey.

There are 108 stitches on a MLB baseball.

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Description: Teens will have the opportunity to climb the outdoor ropes course and/or the portable climbing wall. Climbing techniques, knot tying, and experiencing climbing to a higher level!

Teen Kayak Camp

When: July 25, 2006
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Location: Norbert Hill Pond
Description: Teens will have the opportunity to learn the basics of kayaking in the comfort of the pond. We will learn wet exits, paddling strokes for kayaking, and rescues. Join us for a fun afternoon on the water!

Kayak Paddle Tour

When: August 8, 2006
10:00-2:00p.m.
Location: Meet at the Fitness Center at 10:00 sharp! We will take the van to a near by river/lake departing at 10:15 to use our paddle skills. Prerequisite of the teen paddle camp required.
Cost: FREE
Call: Cindy Young @ 490-3863 for sign up information.

Oneida Experiential Education

Camp I Climbing Skills Camp

July 10-14 location: Outdoor ropes course, 2640 West Point Rd -learn basic climbing skills and techniques, learn about climbing safety and responsibility, learn about different knots and equipment used for climbing

Camp II Canoe and Kayaking Camp

July 17-21 location: Norbert Hill Pond -learn basic canoeing and kayaking paddling skills., teach basic water safety rescues, develop basic overnight trip skills

Camp III Adventure Camp

July 31-Aug 4 -location: Norbert Hill Pond and Outdoor Ropes Course- learn basic survival skills, develop/improve canoe/kayak and water safety skills, develop/improve climbing skills, plan/discuss and participate in an Adventure Experience Day

Classes are FREE through full 5 day attendance. A deposit of $25 will be charged to reserve your child's registration. $5 per day will be refunded for each day attended. If all 5 days are attended, the full registration fee will be refunded. (Refunds will not be given if child is asked to leave for disciplinary reasons.)
Classes may be changed do to weather issues. Proper clothing is needed for each camp.
Call with questions: Mark, 490-3846; Kip, 490-3810; Cindy, 490-3863.

* Some time will be spent on Respect and Giving Back to the program by doing a Service Learning Project for the programs.
Time for All camps: Mon., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 12:30 – 4:00p.m., Friday, 10:00–4:00 p.m.
* Please note Friday hours
Ages: 9–13 years

Boiling down ideas for new sugar shack

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

It takes 43 gallons of sap to make one gallon of maple syrup. Architect Chris Cornelius is boiling down hundreds of ideas from students at the Oneida Nation Elementary school (ONES) and the community to make one small building.

"Our job is to help design the maple sugar shack and to get input from the students." said Cornelius of Studio Indigenous, LLC from Milwaukee.

Cornelius met with students Thursday, June 1st to get ideas and look at posters created by the children.

"How did you decide on the shape of it?" he asked eighth-graders Maria Metoxen, Shanica Hill and Loyni Stevens who won the poster contest.

"We thought it was cool looking, on accident, really." said Stevens of her illustration of a six-sided-building.

The sugar shack is being built with help from Environmental Health and Safety and the Conservation Department to replace a building that was destroyed by an arson fire two years ago.

The fire and vandalism is still fresh in the students' minds as heavy doors and security cameras are prominent in their designs.

"We have, like, bulletproof windows and metal doors," said sixth-grader Haley Hill of her poster.

The sugar shack will be made of cordwood, an environmentally friendly if labor intensive building method.

Middle school students have been stripping bark from 10" softwood logs which will season for a year. Next spring, a foundation and roof will be built and the students will begin stacking the logs for the walls of the 16 by 32 foot building.

"The kids will be mixing the mortar by hand with a wheelbarrow and garden hose," said Laura Manthe of the Environmental Board.

Once completed, the building will be more fire resistant than the previous sugar shack. The thick walls will also act as an insulating barrier against the elements. There's even an advantage to the labor involved in putting the structure up.

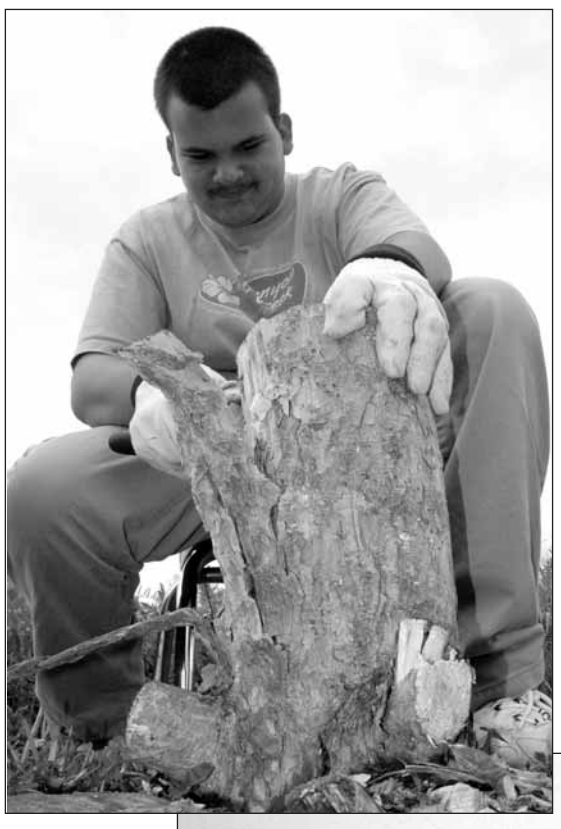
For a typical building "you would have to have a hard hat and you would have to be an employee. Kids would not be allowed to go near." said Manthe.

With cordwood construction, students and community members can participate in various stages of the building process. It's hoped that student and community involvement will create a sense of ownership.

"Even though it's small, it has the ability to be part of the school, part of the community. And the students having an input in it is what makes it exciting for me." said Cornelius.

Once completed, the building will be available to the public year round for picnics, as a warming shelter in the winter and as an example of an alternative building method.

"It will be bigger than just the small sugar shack. It's going to be a very big small building." said Manthe.



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski
Top: James House of the Oneida Nation Elementary School strips bark from cordwood which will be used to construct the new sugar shack.
Below: Maria Metoxen, Loyni Stevens and Shanica Hill of the eighth grade display their winning poster with archetech Chris Cornelius of Studio Indigenous, LLC in Milwaukee. The group incorporated Iroquois designs and a unique shape for the building.



From Page 1A/*Crandon Mine*

year loan it acquired that was backed by future revenue from its casino, Phillippe said.

It was important for the tribe to pay off the mortgage and "honor our debt," he said.

But the tribe had approached BHP about making a donation to help the tribe, given the tribe's long and costly legal fight against the mine, when the mining company offered the trust, with no strings attached, Phillippe said.

"They are not maintaining mineral rights or anything. We own it all," he said.

The offer left tribal leaders "flabbergasted," he said.

"They decided, I think, it might be good publicity to show they were helping out this tribe that actually won the war,:" Phillippe said. "We fought tooth and nail on this for 28 years."

He added, "They have been unbelievably forthcoming with us, working with us on putting together the trust agreement. Good press is always worth money to these mining companies."

BHP was the last of a string of mining companies to own the land, including Exxon Coal and Minerals Co. of Houston.

The Madison Community Foundation has been made the trustee of the $8 million endowment, which the tribe being the sole beneficiary of its annual $400,000 to $600,000 earnings, Phillippe said.

The money can only be used for certain things, such as education or environmental projects, the tribal leader said.

"It is not going to be used for industry building or for gaming," he said. "This is strictly for the people of the community."

Gibson Pierce of Toronto, BHP's project director for closed mining, declined comment Tuesday because of a planned ceremony Wednesday at the tribe's bingo hall regarding the mine mortgage.

"We are actually on our way up there right now," Pierce said.

Tracey Whitehead, a BHP spokeswoman in London, also declined comment.

The Crandon mine had been disputed for years after the minerals were discovered in 1976 in a deposit described as one of the 10 largest ore bodies of its type in North America.

In 1994, Exxon and Rio Algom Ltd. of Toronto applied for state permits to mine 55 million tons of mostly zinc and copper ore.

The regulatory review was expected to take about three years.

But a study by the state Department of Natural Resources never reached the point of recommending whether the project could be done without harming the environment, in part because new owners kept getting involved.

Exxon eventually sold out its interest to Rio Algom, which sold out to BHP.

In September 2002, BHP decided to close its Nicolet Minerals office in Crandon and sell the mine project to pursue more profitable ventures, leading to the sale to Northern Resources.

Over the years, the DNR billed the mining companies about $7 million to pay for the review, officials said in 2003.

Phillippe said Tuesday the land will be used for conservation purposes, such as public trails and parks, and the mining project will never be developed.

"The minerals underneath it are basically sacred from now on into eternity," he said. "We own it all."

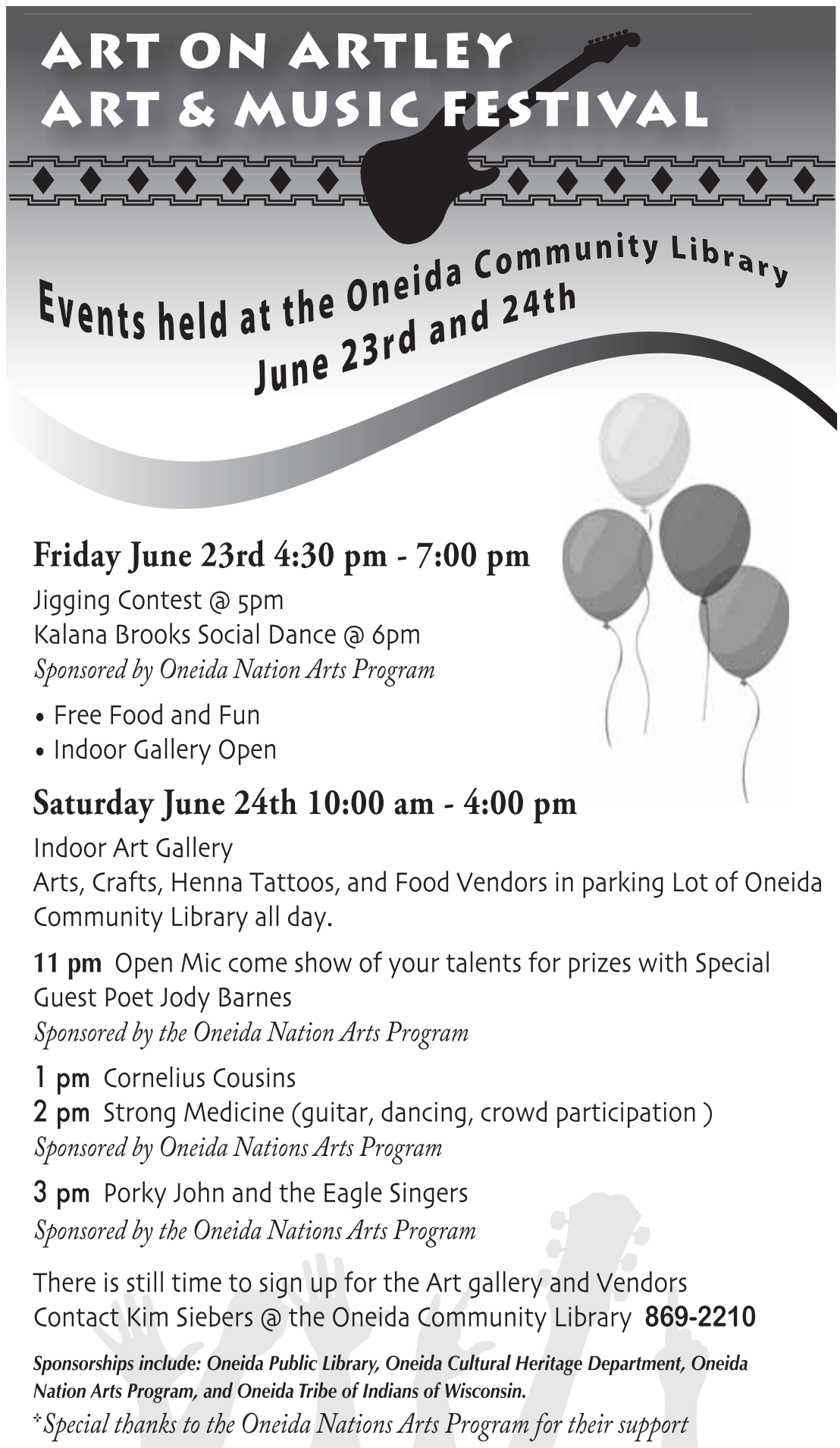
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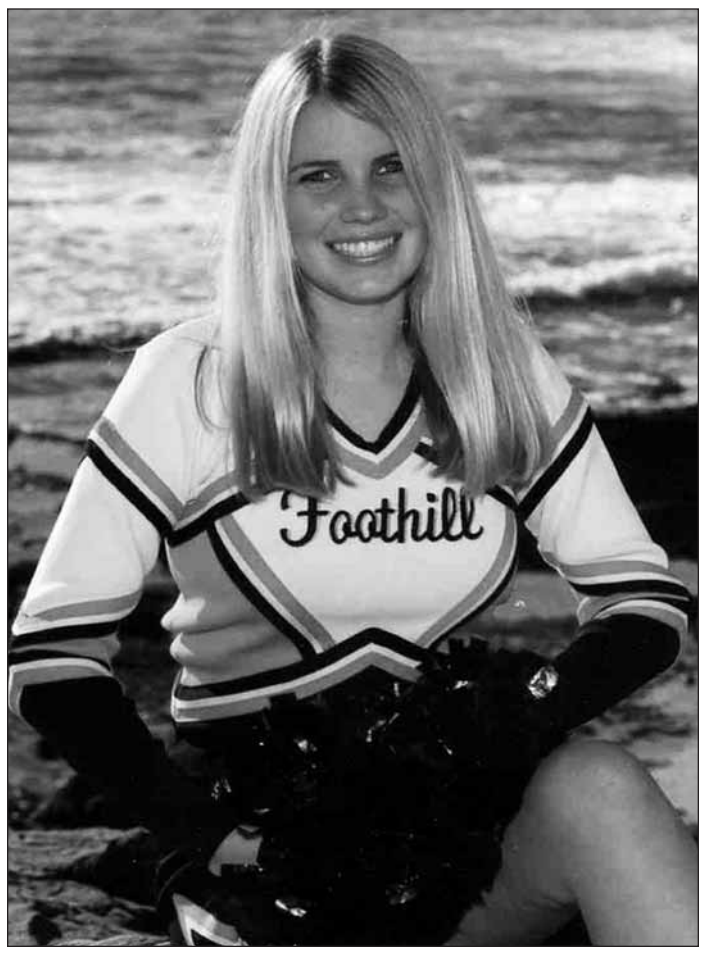


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March 2, 2006
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April 13, 2006
Butler, Mildred; Summers-Cornelius, Julie; Doxtator, Dennis Sr.; Hill, Michelle; Schuyler, Quinton; Salzman, Thomas

Hearings were held on the date stated, for all parties listed, at the Commission office; located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite 1; 3759 W. Mason St.; Oneida WI 54155

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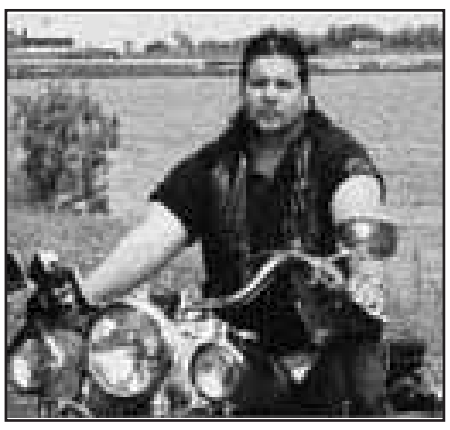
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- **FY-2006 Membership Payment Forms were mailed on May 12, 2006 to each eligible tribal member who had an address on file.**
- It is the responsibility of each tribal member to submit a completed/notarized payment form to the Oneida Enrollment Department by the deadline identified EACH PAYMENT YEAR.
- **The deadline to submit an FY-2006 Membership Payment Form is close of business on Friday, September 1, 2006.**
- Please contact the Oneida Enrollment Department for any check address, income tax withholding request or name changes.
- **The FY-2006 Membership Distribution will be mailed on MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2006. PLEASE ALLOW TIME FOR DELIVERY.**
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After forms are accepted and processed, a postcard receipt will be mailed to the CHECK address indicated on the payment form. Postcard receipts will be mailed every two weeks. Please allow time for delivery. If you have submitted a payment form and do not receive a postcard receipt at the check address indicated on the payment form, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department at: (800) 571-9902 or (920) 869-2083.

The Oneida Enrollment Department is searching for members that have not claimed the FY-2005 Membership Payment. The deadline for claiming these payments is close of business on Friday, September 1, 2006. Thank You.

Important Dates:

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Latest Oneida land transfer to federal trust concerns village

HOBART, Wis. (AP) – About 300 acres of land purchased by the Oneida Indians in the village of Hobart is being placed in federal trust, and the change has local officials concerned about having their property tax base drop by $9.9 million.

The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs has approved putting the land in federal trust. It includes the sites of the Oneida health center and law enforcement building.

Under the change, the land no longer will be subject to property taxes assessed by municipalities, Brown County, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College and local school districts. Property taxes for 2005 were just over $249,000, with a b o u t $48,800 going to Hobart.

> *"I find it troubling… my concern lies more with the federal government. The tribe is doing what they're allowed to do under federal law"*
> ~ Rich Heidel
> Hobart Village President

"I find it troubling," village President Rich Heidel said. "My concern lies more with the federal government. The tribe is doing what they're allowed to do under federal law."

He said he thinks the BIA may have based its decision on faulty information, and the village is working with the office of U.S. Rep. Mark Green, R-Green Bay, to clarify the process.

The village couldn't contest the request for federal status because of a three-year service agreement it signed with the tribe in November 2004. The agreement prevents the village from contesting federal status requests for lands the tribe purchased before the agreement was signed.

"I believe all the parcels fall into this category," Heidel said. "So we stuck to our word and didn't contest anything."

Oneida officials make no secret of their goal to buy back what they consider their original tribal lands.

In Hobart, for example, the entire village is within those

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Land Transfer

Introducing...

Miss & Jr. Miss 2006 Oneida Royalty



Newly crowned winners of the Miss Oneida Pageant, Iris Metoxen (left) and Rachael Ninham (above) are named Miss Oneida and Junior Miss Oneida. The pageant took place in the Wolf Room at the Radisson on Thursday, June 15th.

By Steven Gandy
Kalihwisaks

A new reign begins for the recently crowned Miss Oneida and Junior Miss Oneida.

Iris Metoxen was honored with the Miss Oneida title and Rachael Ninham will hold the Junior Miss Oneida title for 2006-2007.

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Kali welcomes summer intern

By Steven Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Kalihwisaks welcomes intern, Julia Skenandore, to its staff this summer. Skenandore is a senior at Marion College majoring in Graphic Design, and she also pitched for the softball team (Please see Page 8A for her article).



She hopes to someday design advertisements in magazines, but for this summer she will be gaining experience in the newspaper industry. When asked what she hopes to gain from this internship, Skenandore said, "Just more experience with different things that I didn't know before I started here...cause I really don't know much about newspapers either, it's totally different."

Skenandore is a Freedom High School graduate, and was raised in Oneida and the De Pere area.

Walk of Legends Monument breaks ground Thursday



By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Starr, Nitschke, Favre - are names that recall the gloried past of the Green Bay Packers. The Oneida Nation of Wisconsin announced Monday, June 12th the creation of the 'Walk of Legends', a project that will memorialize Packer players, eras and introduce some less familiar names of the green and gold's history such as Metoxen, Skenandore and Wheelock.

"Walk of Legends is a project that is going to both recognize Green Bay Packer football history as well as Oneida history," said Oneida Business Committee Chairman Jerry Danforth.

Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski
From left to right: Jerry Danforth, Sandi Campbell, Bobbi Webster, unidentified woman, Trish King, Kathy Hughes and Mike Overman pose with a scale model of the first monument.

The series of 24 monuments will be placed near businesses around Lambeau Field. Twelve of the eight foot black granite, concrete and steel pillars will highlight different eras, the others will feature players such as Brett Favre, Reggie White, Bart Starr, Ray Nitschke and others.

""The players and their families will be selecting the images that will be used on the monuments," said chief designer Corrie McLain-Campbell of Aspire, LLC.

Player monuments will have a four-foot brushed steel monument on top, era monuments will sport a football.

"We wanted to have something enduring, timeless, classic, because it's going to be up for 500 years," said McLaine-Campbell.

One of the monuments will feature the contributions of Oneida players such as Jonas Metoxen, Tom Skenandore, Taylor Smith and Martin Wheelock who played for the first undefeated team in Green Bay football history.

Many Oneidas attended

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Saginaw tribe wants former employee investigated

By Tim Martin
Associated Press Writer

LANSING, Mich. (AP) ~ The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe wants the U.S. Department of Justice to investigate one of its former employees and his ties to tainted lobbyist Jack Abramoff.

Former legislative affairs worker Christopher Petras is accused by the tribe of giving "incorrect and misleading" testimony to the U.S. Senate Affairs Committee in September 2004 during hearings about Abramoff and Abramoff's associate, Michael Scanlon.

Abramoff is charged with defrauding the Mount Pleasant tribe while representing its interests in Washington, mainly from late 2001 to late 2003. Both he and Scanlon have pleaded guilty to various crimes dealing with work they did for Indian tribes in Michigan, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas.

Although Petras testified before the Senate Indian Affairs Committee that he didn't recall many of the details about his communications with Abramoff and Scanlon, the tribe says a trail of e-mails and other testimony indicate a stronger relationship than Petras revealed.

Federal prosecutors say Abramoff encouraged the tribe to expand a lobbying contract without disclosing that he would receive about 50 percent of the profits from the tribe's payments. From June 2002 to October 2003, the tribe paid about $3.5 million on the contract, with about $540,000 being kicked back to Abramoff, court documents say.

Abramoff's former employer, Greenberg Traurig LLP, has agreed to repay millions of dollars to the tribe as part of a settlement. The Saginaw Chippewas say they paid about $14 million to Abramoff and Scanlon overall.

Tribal Chief Fred Cantu sent a letter last month requesting the Justice Department investigation to

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The Marriot Residence Inn in Sacramento, California may open early next year.

Submitted by Bobbi Webster
Public Relations Director

The Marriott Residence Inn project has reached the halfway of construction completion. They are presently working on the twelfth floor with three floors to complete the project. Construction was delayed because of an unusually long rainy season this spring. The hotel should have a certificate of occupancy by late January or early February. There are ongoing discussions with the City of Sacramento to overcome some of the delays by furnishing the rooms as they are completed, rather than wait for the entire project to be finished. The provision for early furnishing would certainly save time and push the opening quicker.

The rooms are very upscale and have a vibrant color scheme that makes them very warm and inviting. The rooms are designed for the guest who wishes to extend their stay with efficient apartment amenities for cooking and light housekeeping.

The top three floors of the Marriott have been sold as condos. There has already been a purchase for the entire condo operation, a sale that will greatly benefit the project.

The Oneida Tribe, San Manuel and Viejas Tribes will begin planning for the grand opening and blessing of the property in the near future. The Marriott is located just a few blocks from the Capital and almost directly across from a large park, the view is beautiful.

Oneida veterans express gratitude to outgoing 'Lil Miss



Photo courtesy of Jim Martin

Jim Martin is pictured presenting outgoing Oneida 'Lil Miss Olivia Webster with flowers and a gift thanking her for representing the Veterans Community for the past year. The Oneida Vets sponsor the selection of the Oneida 'Lil Miss each year at the Oneida Powwow. For the past year, Olivia has worked hard to represent our community in many activities like the Annual Community Awards Banquet, Community Powwows, and Special events such as the Lorrie Church Concert and Oneida High School Graduation. The veterans give special thanks to Olivia for a job well done by a real trooper. Olivia gives up her crown on June 30, 2006. Pictured above, left to right are: Veterans Harvey Skenandore, Amvets Commander Jim Martin, John Dennison, proud mother Jennifer Webster, outgoing Oneida 'Lil Miss Olivia Webster, Roy Metoxen, Harry Martin and Russell Metoxen.

From Page 1A/*Pageant*

The pageant was held on Thursday, June 15 at the Radisson Hotel before a crowd that numbered in the hundreds.

Metoxen, 18, was motivated to enter the pageant by family members, "I ran because my Aunt (Heidi Pospychala) was Miss Oneida, and I wanted to kinda continue that tradition. No one else in our family has run and it was kinda like [I'm the] youngest age Miss Oneida could be and I ran for the youngest age you could be for Jr. Miss Oneida and luckily I made it both times."

Most contestants seem poised on the stage, however, Ninham, 16, wasn't shy about how she really felt. "I was really nervous," she said after the event. During the few days before the pageant, Ninham recalls how she prepared, "I just practiced and practiced and practiced, that's all I really did. It was going through my mind, 'I hope I get my introduction right'."



Kali photo/Steven Gandy

Miss and Jr. Miss Contestants (from left to right) Racheal Ninham, Cora Cornelius, Jayleah Kurowski, Ashley Ninham, Kathryn Cornelius, Keshia Belisle, Sheena Danforth and Iris Metoxen

Metoxen also spoke of her time leading up to the pageant and the girls she competed against, "It was fun, a lot of the girls, they did amazing jobs in the different traditional talents they did. We all helped each other get ready today, doing each others hair and everything, an extra bobby pin or a safety pin here and there. They were awesome girls to be with, it was a little nerve wracking and a little nervous at times, but it was fun to have them around."

Both Miss Oneida and Junior Miss Oneida have their own plans as to what they would like to accomplish during their reign. Metoxen said of her future plans, "I hope to represent the tribe very well and to give it a good name and up hold that tradition. I hope to make a difference doing positive things." Ninham's goals were a bit more focused, "I really want to help the little children learn about the language, that's my number one thing and I want to try to get the Oneida Nation High School built in a couple years. I need to talk to the BC about that."

Both the winners individually expressed their thanks to the Miss Oneida Committee and their family & friends.

Junior Miss Oneida received, in addition to other gifts, a trip to Six Flags Great America with hotel for her and a guest.

Miss Oneida was awarded a trip for two to Walt Disney World in Orlando Florida along with a new computer and other prizes.

All the contestants received prizes which included a $50.00 gift card.

Other Miss Oneida contestants included Keshia Belisle (1st runner up) and Sheena Danforth. And, other Junior Miss Oneida contestants were, Jayleah Kurowski (1st runner up), Cora Cornelius, Ashley Ninham and Kathryn Cornelius.

Metoxen also took home the Miss Congeniality title.

Little Miss Oneida reflects on her reign

Sheku Friends,

I first want to say Thank You to everyone who has helped and supported me throughout my year as Little Miss Oneida. My parents Don & Jenny Webster, Grandpa & Grandma Sugar, Grandpa & Grandma Webster and Auntie Julie have been my biggest supporters and have always inspired me to do my best. And of course, big brothers Marcus & Zack have always reminded me, I have to be good.

I have had a wonderful year, dancing at different pow-wows around Wisconsin, being in parades, meeting princesses from all over the country, and even dancing with Miss Indian World right here in Oneida. My most favorite was being able to join a dance tour in Germany and Switzerland with my mom for 10 days. I even learned to hoop dance a little!!

We got to see some castles and danced in the Swiss Alps! I have met so many wonderful people that have had good words for me. I have had such great experiences; we truly are blessed with such a great community.

It was an honor and blessing to be able to represent Oneida and I want to Thank the Oneida Veterans, the Miss Oneida Committee and Chairman Gerald Danforth.

Good luck to the next Little Miss, and Thank You for a Wonderful year!!

Olivia Webster
Little Miss Oneida
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Outgoing Little Miss Oneida, Olivia Webster stands in front of a mountain near a wayside in Switzerland.

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Local

Summer interns gain experience

By Steven J Gandy
Kalihwisaks

This summer begins the second year that the Human Resources Department is placing enrolled Oneida college students in the workplace as interns. According to the HRD mission statement the official goal of the intern program is, “To establish a standard operating procedure for the Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department and Oneida Tribal supervisors to recruit and place enrolled...students within Tribal Departments. This standard empowers Oneida Tribal supervisors to provide...students opportunities to gain meaningful and helpful work experience which will enhance their resume for employment within their respective career choice.”

According to Brian Doxtator, the Assistant to the HR Manager, the intern program is being funded through the HRD budget and has the capacity of employing more than 30 interns. “Right now we are at 33 [interns] and were are pretty much at maximum, for budget purposes,” Doxtator said.

Certain eligibility requirements must be met in order to qualify for the intern program. Doxtator explains the eligibility requirements as, “Anybody who is [an] enrolled [Oneida] and anybody who is enrolled in the Higher Education Scholarship Program...that’s our requirement.”

Real world job training and the chance to gain different perspectives on careers seem to be a common theme among this years interns. "I hope to just gain more experience with different things that I didn’t know before I started here," Said Julia Skenandore, an intern for the Kalihwisaks.

Future plans for the intern program will include a few changes for next years interns. The idea for next year will reduce the number of summer interns, according to Doxtator, but will also give student a chance to work and learn year round. “The plan is to try to get a few year round [positions] for the next fiscal year, and it would actually probably decrease the summer internship slots for the available positions, ”Doxtator said.

The interns were given a tour of the reservation on June 16 in order for them to get acquainted with tribal history and geography. A luncheon will be held on Sept. 1 for interns and supervisors to discuss their experiences.

For information regarding the intern program, contact Brian Doxtator at the Human Resources Department: Call **920 496-7900** or via e-mail at **bdoxtat2@oneidanation.org**

Do you know me?



(Contributed photo/Barb Skenandore)

This photo comes from the Brenda DeCoteau-Baird collection. Her parents are Vivian (Danforth) DeCoteau and Harry DeCoteau. Her Grandparents on her Mothers side are Eunice (Williams) and Julius Danforth. On her father's side, her Grandparents are Minnie (Cooper) and Basil DeCoteau. If you have any information about the identity of the above picture, please contact the Oneida Library at 920-869-2210 or write to: Oneida Library, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI, 54155.

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In loving memory of

Bryan R. McLester

Who would have been 25 years old on June 27th



Thinking of you on your Birthday

Wishing you were here

Remembering you
with a Mountain of Love
and an Ocean full of tears.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Ronnie

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We gather at his gravesite every single year
To celebrate the life of one we loved so dear
We pray for the Lord’s blessings for all who remain here and
Especially for his son Dwight
whose faith waivers as he tries to understand.



Why was it that his father was so specially blessed?
Why did You choose him for eternal rest?
Someday our home he will leave,
To try and walk in the image of a man he cannot see.



Hopefully, he’ll know and do what’s best.
But just in case Lord, place your hand on his shoulder to rest.
Please will You stand close by,
And if he gets in the wrong crowd, will
You guide him if he tries to fly too high?

Please will You keep him close and clip his wings.
I’m sure dear Lord, You will handle these things.
We have always tried to teach him right from wrong
But sometimes he needs some steering since Ror has been gone.

He is growing to be a fine young man, who has always blessed our home -
And we hope he soon understands.
How we pray for Your guidance Lord. We won’t worry, because like his
father, we know he’s in your hands.

~ Amen

From Family and Friends

From Page 1A/*Walk of Legends*

boarding schools out east such as Carlisle Indian Industrial School where some joined the football team. These athletes brought their gridiron experience to the town teams forming almost a century ago.

“The Oneida people are proud to share our history and culture with our neighbors and join in a shared tradition with the Green Bay Packer history and legendary players.” said Danforth.

The project will break ground in front of Brett Favre’s Steakhouse on Thursday, June 22nd.

Happy “Golden” Birthday, Josh

June 26, 1980

Today brings us precious memories
of one we loved so dear.
Your kind heart and gentle nature
are gifts we still hold so dear.
Continue to walk in peace my son
in the Creators land.
In our own time, we will someday walk hand in hand.



Love and Miss You!
Mom, Brian, Jerome, Jermaine, Jason, and BJ

ATTENTION:
The next issue of the *kalihwisaks* will be published on
FRIDAY
July 7, 2006

Caretakers Corner

• The Land Commission has completed its revision of the Loan Guidelines. Land Management is glad to announce that our office will be accepting applications for the following loan programs, effective immediately:

- **Loans for purchasing a new DREAM Home.**
- **Loans for purchasing an existing DREAM home.**
- **Emergency loans to address the death of the DREAM home owner.**
- **Emergency loans to address the divorce of a DREAM home owner.**

All loan approvals are dependent on available funds.

Unfortunately, we do not offer refinancing or equity loans. For these types of loans we refer you to Bay Bank at (920) 490-7600. Bay Bank has a number of purchasing programs, along with other banks within the community. If you are on leased fee or leased trust land or individual trust land, you will need to follow the proper Assignment of Lease and BIA approval process. Please contact the Finance Department at (920) 869-1690 for more information.

Townhouses:

Oneida Division of Land Management is amidst breaking ground to construct the first ever, Oneida Townhouses. Located in the eastern side of the reservation, in the City of Green Bay, the townhouses are expected to begin construction this summer.

Division of Land Management is excited to offer yet another diverse housing opportunity. Townhouse’s provide the financial benefits of ownership while creating a type of ownership that is fairly low-maintenance.

The Oneida Townhouses are a home ownership option and require interested parties to obtain a home mortgage loan. This set of twelve townhouses are being offered to eligible members that historically sat on the Land List, as an alternative to vacant land. Pending success and developmental financing, future townhouse developments would be offered as a home ownership option to the Oneida Community.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Scott Denny, Comprehensive Housing Coordinator at 800-684-1697 ext. 1811.

In Loving Memory of …

Rory Hill



Another year...
Without you here
Since you’ve been gone
On that fateful day of June 30, 1991.

Life here on earth has gone on
But the tears still fall with certain songs
The hurt in our hearts is here to stay
Only until we see you again is when it will go away.

The kids you knew
All have grew
And there’s been additions to the family
Who only hear about their Uncle Rory.

Just this spring, we lost another Uncle, brother & friend
Erwin, like you & all others who have passed, will never be forgotten.
March 11th (Dad’s birthday) was supposed to be a happy & joyous day -
Instead, our last goodbyes is what we had to say.

Losing those close to us is never easy,
But we must take comfort in knowing what’s meant to be is meant to be.
We must realize we’ll someday be together once again
And understand that God is the only One who knows when.

Until that time, we’ll cherish each memory
Of the times shared with a Dad, Uncle, Brother, Cousin, & Friend named Rory.

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Local

From Page 1A/*Land Transfer*

boundaries. With the latest approval, about 1,500 to 1,800 acres in Hobart is in federal trust, out of the village's total area of about 21,000 acres.

Kathy Hughes, Oneida chairwoman, said the tribe plans to keep reacquiring as much property as possible in the original 64,000-acre reservation.

The tribe lost most of its reservation because of various circumstances during and after the Great Depression, she said.

"The Oneida since has acquired the resources to recover lands as they become available," she said. "The tribe works toward the goal of land recovery and protection of the resources in an aggressive and diligent manner."

Hughes said the tribe still pays extensive property taxes for land in various communities that are not in federal trust, with those payments in 2004 totaling $1.48 million.

The tribe also has service agreements for payments made in lieu of property taxes with many local governments, including Hobart, she said.

According to Heidel, the service agreement for his village provides for the tribe to pay full property tax value for the first two or three years that land goes into trust, but there is no guarantee of payment after that.

Hughes said the tribe is only following the law.

"The U.S. Constitution recognizes our status as a 'domestic sovereign nation,' and land into trust is an obligation by the federal government to protect that status," Hughes said. "The Oneida Nation has been very public about our land acquisition and plans to place our land in trust."

Heidel said village residents should be aware of those plans.

"At this stage of the game, I don't think there's anything to fear," he said. "But at the same time I don't think we want to sit there with our heads in the sand either."

Information from: Green Bay Press-Gazette,

Trust land a long process

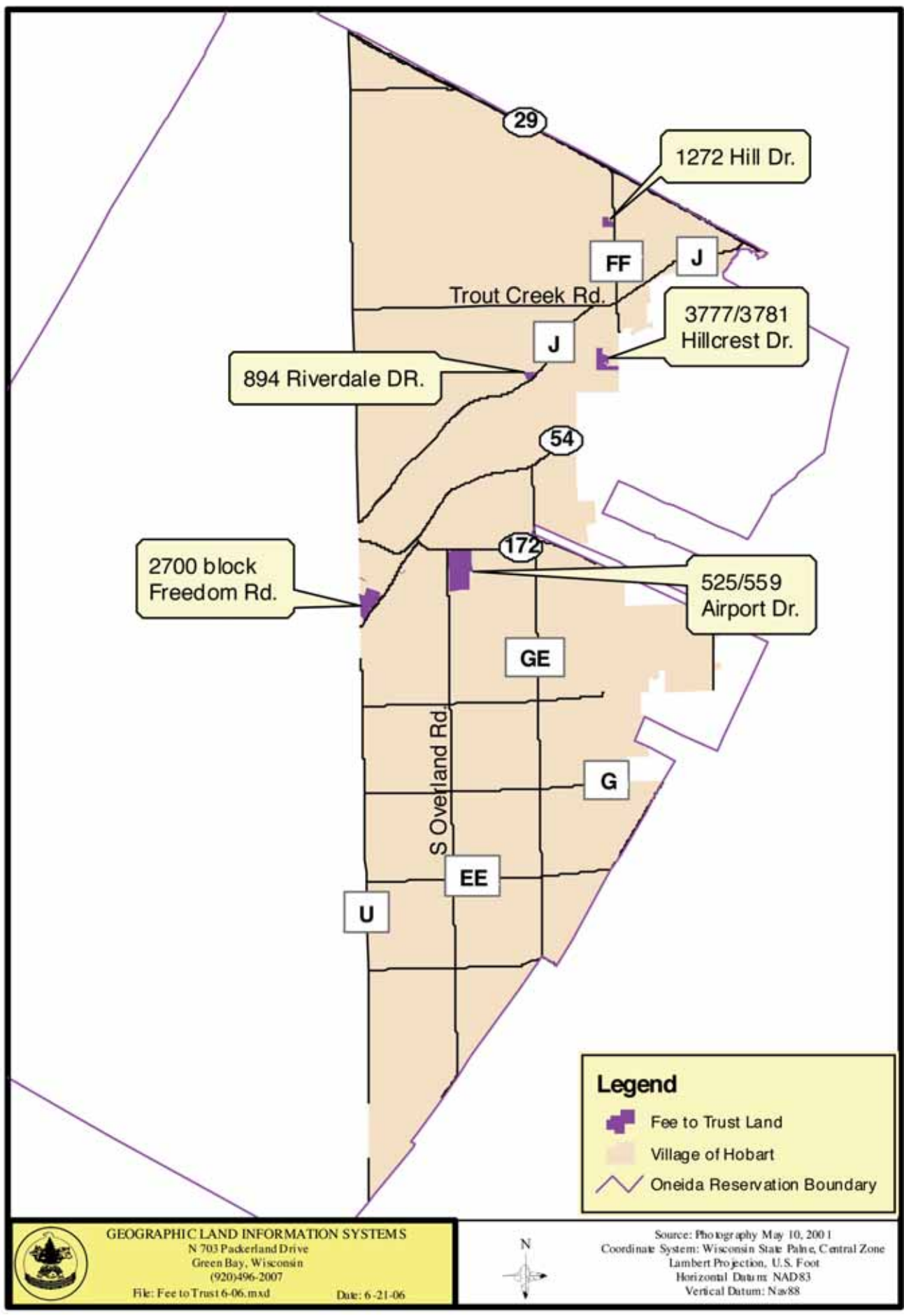
Getting approval from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to put the 300 acres of land into trust is just one step in a process that may take another three years to complete, according to director of Land Management Fred Muscavitch.

"We've been trying to get these things in trust for the last 20 years, and they dribble in maybe one a year or something like that, so now we're trying to expedite that." he said.

Putting the land into trust does more for Oneida than remove it from the tax roles, it returns control of the property to the Oneida people.

"It gives us more sovereignty back where we can do our own zoning," said Muscavitch who noted that Oneida has a setback of 100 feet along the Duck Creek and other creeks on the reservation in contrast to Hobart which allows development within 50 feet of waterways.

"One of the big zoning differences we have with the state and the county is that we want to have cleaner water and cleaner air, so we have bigger setbacks." he said.



From Page 1A/*Saginaw Tribe investigates former employee*

U.S. Sen. John McCain, the Arizona Republican who heads the Senate Indian Affairs Committee. The Senate committee is expected to release its own report this week on its investigation into Abramoff and the tribes.

Bernie Sprague, a former tribal subchief, is upset Petras did not reveal more at the Senate hearing of his ties to Abramoff.

"He was an employee of the tribe. He was on our payroll," Sprague said. "We expected him to be honest and forthright with us, and he was none of the above."

Tribal representatives say they want to find out what Petras knew about financial dealings concerning Abramoff.

"All that money coming from the tribe to Abramoff and Scanlon ... he had to know about that," Dave Otto, a former tribal subchief, said of Petras. "I think he knew or had to have some idea of what was going on."

Petras has not returned repeated phone messages and e-mails from The Associated Press in recent weeks seeking his side of the story. He worked in the Saginaw Chippewas' legislative affairs office from late 1998 to early 2004, when his job was eliminated by a newly elected tribal council.

E-mails submitted as part of the Senate committee's hearing process give some insight into Abramoff's dealings with Petras.

A May 2000 e-mail from Abramoff appears to indicate that Petras requested a meeting with Abramoff's firm about possible representation for the Saginaw Chippewa tribe.

In his 2004 testimony, Petras said he had no role in hiring Abramoff and that other tribal officials made the decision. However, he also said Abramoff's former firm was one of three for which he lined up interviews when the tribe was trying to expand its influence in Washington.

The Senate Indian Affairs Committee learned in 2004 that Abramoff and Scanlon spent $100,000 to help get eight supporters elected to the Saginaw Chippewas' 12-member council in 2001. Otto said that Petras was involved in that process and arranged a meeting with Scanlon. The new council soon voted to hire Abramoff and Scanlon.

Petras told the Senate panel the lobbyists gave him a digital video camera, a leather briefcase and "some type of slide projection desktop screen" as gifts but otherwise never paid him for that work.

He is listed on Abramoff gift lists as receiving $200 in December 2000 and $100 in December 2001. Tribal representatives say it is possible the gifts Petras acknowledged receiving are the same ones reflected on the lists. Other tribal officials also are named as gift recipients.

Current tribal leaders and Petras differ on how much influence Petras had on the political contributions the tribe made while he worked for them.

Petras testified there were "no efforts on my behalf to push either way any type of political contribution." Tribal leaders say that appears to be contradicted by other documents.

Petras told the Senate Indian Affairs Committee he never assessed how Washington lobbyists were doing. That was left for the council members themselves. In later testimony, Petras said he may have told the council from time to time that Abramoff and Scanlon were doing a good job.

E-mails indicate Abramoff and Petras may have worked to try and regain influence in February 2004 - after they no longer worked for the tribe - by getting involved in a recall election of tribal officers.

"They are running out of money for copying, stamps, etc. Petras asked if we could come up with $2500 to help them out," an e-mail from an Abramoff co-worker to Abramoff read. E-mails indicate Abramoff instructed a co-worker to get money from one of his accounts to help the recall effort.

In his Senate testimony, Petras said he did not recall the incident.

Another e-mail indicates Abramoff planned to loan Petras a computer so they could stay in contact after the newly elected tribal council eliminated Petras' job.

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ADMISSION: Weekend passes $10.00 Daily Passes $5.00 60 & older and 10 & under are free.

July 14

Oneida Pendleton Blanket Unveiling
WHEN: July 14, 2006
PLACE: Oneida Smoke Shop – Isabell
There will be a limited number of blankets available and the first 250 numbered blankets will arrive in October of 2006. Pre-orders are being taken by Angela Moore at: (920) 490-8000 x1906 or e-mail to: amoore@oneidanation.org

August 4–5

18th Annual Burger Fest & 6th Annual Balloon Rally
WHEN: August 4-5, 2006
TIME: Various
PLACE: Downtown Seymour, Wisconsin
Hot air balloons fly at 6:00pm Friday and Saturday with a balloon glow, and then at 6:00am Saturday and Sunday. Saturday, August 5th -World's Largest Hamburger Parade 11:00am Hamburger Press Weightlifting Contest, 1:00pm, 60lbs Mini-Burger served at 3:30pm.
Admission is $3 in advance and $6 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. Call **920-833-6688** for tix.

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WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Comm. Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
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Oneida Appeals Minutes

Peacemaking Session…

May 19 & 20, 2006–1st Day

There are many ideas of what Peacemaking means to our community. Below are notes from our session of identifying what Peacemaking is for this group. We hope others will join us in defining what Peacemaking is for our Nation that can be incorporated into our daily lives.

Brainstorming session of what Peacemaking meant to us. Created a list of words and identified 3 basic areas the words reflect. The areas are: Identity/values, Process and Rezolution

Identity/Values

Respect, be of one heart and mind, sincerity, be of a good mind, everyone has a voice, empathetic listening, responsibility, open minded, honesty about feelings, listening, support, safe place, personal balance, commitment to Peacemaking

Process

Assessment, prevention, compromise, problem solving, commitment to Peacekeeping, empathetic listening, consensus, gathering info., open minded, conflict resolution, reaching consensus, listening, identifying/admitting source of conflict, communicate, everyone has a voice, accepting responsibility, method, empowerment, safe place, creating balance, solutions, support.

Rezolution

Empowerment, cleansing of emotions, solutions, everyone has a voice, open minded, communicate, strengthening relationships, be of a good mind, consensus, carry thru & enforce resolution, conflict resolution, support, safe place, being true to commitment, acceptance, compromise, commitment to peacekeeping, responsibility, healthy beginning, consensus, upholding balance.

Fifteen (15) of these words or phrases were selected to create a Peacemaking statement and are as follows:

1) Starting with individual peace,
2) Respect,
3) Be of a good mind,
4) Responsibility,
5) Open-minded
6) Honesty
7) Compromise
8) Problem solving
9) Empathetic listening
10) Safe place
11) Creating balance
12) Conflict resolution
13) Being true to commitment
14) Consensus
15) Empowerment

Each of the participants created a statement of what Peacemaking is. Below are the statements.

To enhance the true being of a good mind with respect to listening of others through and open honest mind that requires commitment and empowerment by identifying conflict through a consensus by problem solving, conflict resolution and compromise, to better the needs of myself, my family and the community around me.

A foundation of conflict resolution which promotes and supports a consensual process and commitment of individual responsibility to listen with empathy, compromise and problem solve. Key values to identify with each other is respect, honesty, and the understanding that everyone has a voice. Be open-minded to allow for empowerment to work through the process. Trusting in this process and being pro-active will allow us to attain individual peace with ourselves and help us to be of good mind and body for our future generations.

We believe Peacemaking is a process of conflict resolution and problem solving. By empowering individuals to be open minded through respect, honest. We have a responsibility to create balance and be of good mind.

The Peacemaking system is a process in which one makes a commitment to resolving conflict by actively being responsible in reaching a compromise. To insure a balanced good mind, every voice is heard. We are open minded in reaching a consensus by listening empathetically with respect and speaking honestly. In doing so we are empowering ourselves and beginning the journey to individual peace.

Peacemaking (PM) is a process to solve problems based on being of a good mind, showing respect for yourself and others. The process requires being open-minded, using empathic listening, compromise, honesty, & accepting responsibility for your behavior. In PM everyone has a voice to restore balance with one's self, family, community and Nation.

Peacemaking through consensus, empathic listening, compromise, commitment, sharing individual peace, by problem solving insures everyone has a voice and responsibility for effective conflict resolution.

We as peacemakers, being of good mind, are committed to a process of problem solving, conflict resolution and finding a desired honest, healthy balance for all. Through this empowerment process we will show respect to each individual, use empathic listening, consensus building and allow each person's voice to be heard. We believe peacemaking starts with the individual and the Creator and extends to couples, families, communities and the world.

Peacemaking is empowering everyone with a voice and responsibility by instilling respect and open mindedness by honestly sharing and listening and being willing to commit to compromise and problem solving; to encourage individual peace, balance and being of a good mind as a (consensus) whole.

We believe the Peacemaking system is a process used to resolve conflicts with ourselves and others. Our families, community and Nation are empowered to commit to problem solving through conflict resolution and consensus. We believe everyone has a voice and people use empathic listening to show respect to one another. As a final result we understand Peace starts with ourselves, we then become responsible to be honest and continue to work at a balanced life and being of a good mind for continued peace.

Peacemaking begins with an open minded commitment which grows from individual peace and balance and being of a good mind to problem solving and compromise. Peacemaking achieves consensus through our responsibility of empathic listening and cultivating consensus by respecting everyone's voice and honesty.

Peacemaking is a process that uses respect, honesty and being of one mind to reach consensus in problem-solving, with open-mindedness, commitment, and balance through compromise we reach conflict resolution. Everyone has a voice-everyone listens with empathy-and accept the need for balance in all things within creation.

Peacemaking Poetry

Peacemaking
All of one mind.
Committed for all to see
never ending hope

Peacemaking
Given to all

Peacemaking a life
of healing
sharing with all for all
love means commitment

Kanikuliyo
Generations
Future

Peacemaking
Earth, rich, soil, emerge
SK^NA, speaks,
reverberates
Listen, eyes, open, peace

Heart beat, blood
flows, pulse
Heart beat, river flows,
grass grows
Speak truth, honor words,
lies.

Mediation is Here!

Wisconsin Judicare and the Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association (WTJA) recently concluded two rounds of Mediation Skills Training resulting in **45 tribally identified Mediators** now being available to mediate disputes in Wisconsin. Enclosed is a full roster of those receiving a "Certificate of Completion" for this weeklong course conducted by the Winnebago Conflict Resolution Center, with cultural assistance from WTJA.

What is Mediation?

Mediation is a method of **resolving disputes without litigation**. In mediation the parties play a key role in finding consensus to determine their own outcomes. Trained, impartial mediators help parties resolve disputes by finding their own acceptable solutions.

What is Peacemaking?

Peacemaking is a variation of Mediation, using similar skills and techniques to help parties find their own solutions through consensus rather than litigation. Peacemaking is characterized as having more **tribally specific cultural elements** in the process and is successfully used when the parties respect those cultural elements.

Why is this Important and Worth our Support?

Mediation, or Peacemaking, provides ways to resolve problems by seeking to restore harmony and balance to the parties.

In most tribal cultures these traditional dispute resolution techniques were used prior to the introduction of the modern adversarial justice system. Mediation is **not intended to replace your Tribal Court**, but rather to serve as another arrow in the quiver of tribal justice.

The size and inter-relationships in tribal communities makes them well suited to Mediation or Peacemaking as a way of resolving conflicts whether it involves adults or juveniles.

What can we do to Help Promote Mediation?

For Mediation or Peacemaking to be sustainable in your community **it needs the informed support of tribal leaders**, elders and the tribal court system. You can help provide funding for Mediation in your tribal court. You can make sure your Tribal Code provides for Mediation. You can recommend that people within the tribe's jurisdiction try to resolve their problems through Mediation.

How can we Learn more About This?

If you would like someone from the Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association and Wisconsin Judicare to come **to a Tribal Council meeting or a larger tribal community meeting** to discuss and answer questions about Mediation or Peacemaking, call James Botsford at Judicare at **1-800-472-1638.**



Submitted Photo courtesy of Mary Adams

Front row, left to right: Janice Mc Lester, Lois Powless, Winnifred Thomas. Back row, left to right; Leland Wigg - Ninham, Gerald Cornelius, Robert Christjohn and Jim Martin. They have recently completed mediation training.



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Legislative Review

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Greetings!

The Oneida Head Start program spans more than four decades, and has a formidable history of serving Oneida children and parents. In May, I had the opportunity to learn more about Head Start's impressive history through my visit to the facility located in the Three Sisters neighborhood.

The Head Start program is funded through two governmental sources. The U.S. Federal Government provides $832,000.00 per year and the State of Wisconsin provides $77,250.00. Both funding sources are critical to providing for the needs of 123 children over the course of any given school year.

The Oneida Head Start program continues to support inventive ways to continuously increase parental involvement. One such initiative includes the "Fathers' Advisory Group" which has operated over the past two years and has involved 95 fathers with the offered programs and their children's development. Head Start has also implemented an Out-Reach program for incarcerated parents. Oneida has received many letters from those parents, thanking Oneida for keeping them involved in the lives of their children. Another essential program which has been revitalized in Head Start is the Early Intervention Program. This program services all tribal children who have disabilities. Last year, 150 children have been screened for disabilities and more than sixty children are currently receiving assistance. In the coming year, the Early Intervention Program anticipates engaging a speech therapist, an occupational therapist, an Exceptional Educational Needs Teacher, a mental health specialist and a nurse.

Staff training and education are also a priority of the program. Currently, twelve staff have Associate Degrees, seven have Bachelors Degrees and there is one staff member with a Master's Degree. Five of the employees with Associate Degrees are working toward completing a Bachelors Degree. Two staff members in the Early Intervention Program will be working on their Masters Degrees starting this fall.

Another focus of the Head Start program is the Oneida Language. Audio tapes and pronunciation guides are sent home to provide parents with the lessons their child is learning. Also, the language instructor has started a crafts club. Parents may attend the crafts night and help their child make craft items particular to the tribal culture and at the same time they learn the language. Further, reports on the mandatory grant compliance achievement testing for four-year-olds in Head Start, indicate a majority of our children are above the national averages.

It was made apparent on my visit to the Head Start program, Oneida has a world class facility with world class staff, and this is reflecting in the success of our children.

I extend my sincerest appreciated to the program, keep up the great work!

Yaw^ko

Gerald L. Danforth,
Chairman

Treasurer's Report



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

Greetings,

FY 2006 Budget

The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting.

As of the close of May 2006, the organization is performing better than budget. A financial analyst team has been working with the areas that are outside variance guidelines will continue to submit detailed information in regard to their variances and how they will impact the budget at the end of the fiscal year.

FY 2007 Budget

The FY2007 budget process is underway and information has been communicated to the business units on the overall timeline. The business units entered all of their information into the financial system by June 6th. The consolidation and reconciliation process were conducted the week of June 12th. During the week of June 12th, the divisions had an opportunity to meet with the budget review team and General Managers of the organization to present their budget requests and explain any variances compared to spending in FY06. The budget review team will now consolidate all of the information and start the reconciliation and balancing process of the FY2007 budget.

The FY2007 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council review is tentatively scheduled for August 26, 2006. The timing for this years budget process was originally placed on hold in anticipation to incorporate part or all of the National Balanced Scorecard (see below for more detail information). Due to the delays with the balanced scorecard process and the need for communication and input in this process, it was determined that the budget process could not be delayed any further.

Balanced Scorecard

The Balanced Scorecard was approved in April and we now have a National Balanced Scorecard. Cascading is part of the next steps. Cascading of the Balanced Scorecard involves the Division, Business Unit and Departments aligning to the National Scorecard. The Business Committee will be one of the first areas to go through the cascading process with the Division areas following shortly after. We look forward to sharing our scorecard with you after it is completed.

Community Information

The Oneida Pow-Wow is scheduled for June 30th through July 2nd and will be held at the Norbert Hill Center grounds. I hope everyone has the opportunity to attend. The 4th Annual Oneida Days will commence on June 23rd through July 2nd and consist of a variety of events located throughout the community.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend! Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

Yaw^ko
Mercie L. Danforth

Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Trish King

Sakoli:

Land Claims has come to the forefront once again. The plan is to introduce a bill to the New York Legislature that will finally settle the Oneida Land Claims. With the support of the Governor on this bill, our next step would be to gain congressional support in Washington, D.C. which is the final action to bring this seven generational issue to closure. The bill being pursued is based on the terms authorized by the General Tribal Council in December, '04, and we expect these terms to be the terms that will ultimately prevail. By the time this article comes to print, we could have full determination one way or the other.

Our Chief of Staff, Environmental Department and Legal Department staff have been working diligently with the Business Committee on the issues of toxic waste being disposed of at the Fort James/Georgia Pacific sludge lagoons. This waste was produced by the old paper mills along the Fox River. The paper companies were sued for monetary damages and were required to clean up the waste. They have been dredging up the sediment at the bottom of the river and, on one occasion, disposed of it in the Fort James sludge lagoon. However, the level of PCB's and other toxins have recently been identified at a much higher level than previously thought. The Tribe wants to ensure the clean up of the Fox River continues on; however, we do not believe taking the toxins from one location to another, that is not capable of holding the waste, is acceptable. Through diligent research, our staff has identified that the request for "modification" approval of the Fort James Sludge Lagoons is more than just a modification request. It is an actual remodel and expansion. The Fort James/ Georgia Pacific sludge lagoons were originally constructed to hold the waste created from the paper-making process. Therefore, Fort Howard should be required to follow the appropriate rules and regulations set by the Federal EPA and State DNR, which would clearly make the sludge lagoon ineligible for this type of waste. The Tribe is requesting both agencies to make their decisions based on the legalities of this request and not just pass it off as a simple modification rule. We stand beside other municipal leaders, community representatives and local residents of this area in opposition to allowing toxic waste at this site.

We have and will continue to encourage DNR and EPA to assist the paper companies to find the appropriate site that is capable of handling these toxins.

On a more positive note, the Tribe has been working with local businesses on other tourism initiatives. We participated in the International Bay Fest on June 9th by sponsoring a "Boat Parade." The Festival was located on the east and west sides of the Fox River, and the parade of boats started off the festivities. There were 17 cruiser boats participating that were all decorated and lit up. An idea that attracted many people, to watch and vote for the best decorated boat. I'm told that this kind of parade has not happened since the 70's. We are chiming in with a newly revised tourism initiative to attract tourists to the downtown area.

Another promising venue for Oneida recognition and local tourism, is the "Oneida Walk of Legends." This is a venture of twenty-four 12 foot statues that recognizes Oneida's role in the history of the Green Bay Packers, as well as Packer legends. Part of Oneida's traditions and history will literally be etched in stone for everyone to see for more than 500 years. This venue not only recognizes Oneida, but also adds a different tourism attraction to Northeast Wisconsin. All of the statues will be located on Lombardi Avenue between Oneida Street and Ashland Avenue on Green Bay's west side. A groundbreaking for the first statue will be held on June 20, 2006. I truly appreciate the creativity, forethought, dedication and determination, put into this project by Sandi Campbell, Project Originator and her daughter Corrie McLain Campbell, the Artist. I would also like to thank them for inviting us to join them with this phenomenal economic opportunity.

The Business Committee is scheduled to temporarily relocate their offices to 2640 West Point Road in Green Bay during the 1st week of July. This move is happening to allow for refurbishing and asbestos removal on the 2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center. All of our phone numbers will remain the same, and several announcements about this move will be made.

As progress is made on any of these issues important issues, the Business Committee will keep you informed. Please watch for future mailings, e-mails, articles, and community meetings on these topics.



Councilman
Vince DelaRosa

This has been a busy time of the year, I would like to share some follow-up information with the Oneida people.

Please note the State of the Oneida Nation Address has been set for Thursday, July 20, 2006 at the Radisson hotel.

Norbert Hill Center Renovation

The Norbert Hill Center Renovation of the 2rd floor will cause our office to be relocated starting July 5th. The 2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center will be relocating to the Social Services Building due to these renovations. The renovations that are scheduled to take place include; asbestos removal; converting the current low pressure steam heater to a hot water boiler; central air will be added which will enable each office air to be independently controlled; plastered ceilings will be replaced by suspended ceilings and new carpeting will be added. September 18th, is the target date for the Business Committee to return to the Norbert Hill Center.

Milwaukee Pharmacy Status

The Oneida Tribe is negotiating with an Aurora pharmacy, and has been for the past several months. Aurora Corporate Headquarters is enthusiastic about this relationship, but working with the corporate level is time consuming.

The Aurora corporate attorney and risk manager have some concerns that the Tribe is in the process of addressing. Neither the Tribe nor Aurora see these concerns as a major issue that would possibly stop the process.

After contract language has been worked out and agreed to, Aurora has said that they would like this proposal to go before the Pharmacy Examining Board for review. Once again neither we nor Aurora foresee any problems here at all. Dependent on scheduling and availability of Aurora staff, this would occur in either June or July.

After the Pharmacy Examining Board review the Tribe will be ready to implement the plan immediately.

The Deliveries to Aurora Pharmacy would be once per week, Tribal members could pick up their prescriptions anytime Aurora is open.

Military Service Employee Protection Act

I have requested that the Military Service Employee Protection Act , be added to the Legislative Operating Committees active file list.

From time to time, the Oneida Tribe's employees, who serve in the U.S. Military, can be called into active duty. With the most recent conflict in Iraq, that has occurred. The activation of military reservists requires us to consider the impact of the Uniformed Services Employment and Re-employment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA).

USERRA prohibits employment discrimination against employees who are on military service leave and guarantees re-employment to those returning from military leave. Moreover, USERRA provides up to 18 months of

continuing health-care coverage. Also, pension-plan benefits are suppose to accrued during military service, regardless of whether the plan is a defined benefit plan or a defined contribution plan.

The USERRA law appears to cover persons who serve, voluntarily or involuntarily, in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, Public Health Service commissioned corps and in the reserve components of those services. USERRA also applies to persons serving in the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard.

At this point, I could not find any codified tribal law which addresses these matters. Accordingly, this summer I will work on this project to ensure that we adequately protect our tribal employee's employment rights as they carry out their military service obligation to the United States. I'm also going to ensure that we have codified law which offers a definitive level of job security and guaranteed protections for our military service persons.

Councilman Ed Delgado will serve as a co-sponsor to this Military Service Employee Protection Act bill. Thanks for your support.

See Page 7A
Councilman DelaRosa

Oneida Family Fitness

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Ryan Waterstreet



Photo by Oneida Family Fitness

Ryan Waterstreet is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh. He graduated with an Exercise Physiology/ Health Promotion degree. Ryan comes to us from Door County, Wisconsin where he served as the Aquatics and Fitness Director for the YMCA in Fish Creek. Ryan is very excited to become part of such a talented team here at Oneida Family Fitness. The most important thing to Ryan is that everyone has a productive, safe experience here at the Center.

Ryan will be involved in a number of duties here at the Fitness Center, which include fitness assessments, personal training, teaching a variety of classes, and orientations. Another duty of Ryan's will be to make sure that all of his clients get the personal attention that they need to succeed. Ryan loves working with people of all ages and encourages everyone to come in and make fitness a part of their lives.

Ryan loves to stay in shape by exercising. Whether its running track, playing a game of basketball, playing softball or whatever, it is hard for him to turn down a challenge. Ryan is always willing to take time out and join in on a game if he's not too busy, so feel free to ask him. Ryan also likes to help young athletes learn about the importance of discipline within their sport and respect of their sport. If you are willing to take a challenge, Ryan would love to help you develop into a great athlete. So come into the Center and set up an appointment with him.

Ryan loves to help improve their athletic abilities.

If anyone ever has any questions or concerns or just wants to get started on a program come in and see Ryan so that he can get you started on the right track for success.

Oneida Family Fitness Staff

Michelle Mielke.....*Fitness Center Director*
Todd Shelto.....*Fitness Center Assistant Director*
Lori Bembnister.....*Fitness Specialist Lead*
Ryan Engel.....*Fitness Specialist Lead*
David Beiser.....*Fitness Specialist*
Eric Frantz.....*Fitness Specialist*
Tina Jacobsen.....*Fitness Specialist*
Jason Manders.....*Fitness Specialist*
Stefanie Richter.....*Fitness Specialist*
Kevin Schoenebeck.....*Martial Arts Coordinator*
Adam Brown.....*Martial Arts Instructor*
Maureen Cisler.....*Administrative Assistant*
Martina Frechette.....*Administrative Assistant*
Teresa Holschuh-Sieja.....*Aquatics Trainer/Supervisor*
Nicole Cooley.....*Lifeguard*
Orrie Kreuscher.....*Lifeguard*
Teresa Roth.....*Lifeguard*

The **O**neida **F**amily **F**itness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at: 2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI Phone: (920) 490-3730. Look for *o.f.f. highlights* once a month in the Kali.



Norbert Hill Center Pond Rules

By Jessica Mettler and Elaena Duffy

The Norbert Hill Center Pond opened on June 17. Pond hours are Wednesdays through Sundays from 11:30am until 6:30pm. Bring your family and friends down for some fun in the sun! But remember, there are a few rules that all patrons must follow. We have included the rules just in case anyone has any questions about what is and isn't allowed at the Norbert Hill Center Pond. See you this Summer...

1. *Swim only when a lifeguard is on duty.*
2. *Obey and respect lifeguard instructions at all times.*
3. *Swim only in designated areas.*
4. *Children under 12 years must be supervised by a guardian, who is at least 18 years or older and is located inside the fenced in area, at all times. Children under 6 years must be accompanied by an adult in the water within arm length unless the child is a strong swimmer as determined by the lifeguards, then the child does not need to be within arms length of the guardian.*
5. *No pushing, fighting, dunking, wrestling, or horseplay allowed at any time, including standing or sitting on another persons shoulder's or throwing of another person.*
6. *No boats, sailboats, surfboards, or personal water crafts allowed in the pond area except during class instruction.*
7. *Floatation devices are allowed, but no inflatables (Air mattresses, inner tubes, water wings, etc.) With the exception of the infant inner tube with an attached seat.*
8. *Absolutely No Diving!*
9. *No food or beverages allowed beyond picnic area except water in plastic containers. No glass or cans allowed. Please be selective of your food/beverage items; food attracts wasps and ants.*
10. *No alcohol, tobacco, or drug use allowed.*
11. *No fishing allowed.*
12. *Climbing on Lifeguard stand, trees and fence is prohibited.*
13. *Lifeguard equipment is for use of authorized staff only.*
14. *No pets or animals in fenced areas.*
15. *The use of profanity is prohibited.*
16. *No visiting with lifeguards whom are on duty.*
17. *Hanging on to floats and lifelines is prohibited.*
18. *Absolutely no rock or sand throwing will be allowed.*
19. *Swim wear must not be excessively large, become overly heavy when wet, or restrict a person's ability to swim. Lifeguards may determine some clothing unsuitable for safety reasons.*
20. *Pond will be closed when rain, lighting, or thunder is present or if the air temperature is less than 65 degrees. (Children must have a ride home in the event of pond closing.)*
21. *Lifeguards reserve the right to revoke swimming privileges if patron has inefficient swimming skills, or in the case of rule violations.*
22. *Walking beyond the beach front of the pond is prohibited to the public.*

Teen weight training offered

By Jason Manders
Fitness Specialist

Exercise programs at Oneida Family Fitness are designed for every member of the family. The aquatic department offers swim lessons for toddlers and Ease Those Aches for elders while boot camp and cardio kickboxing will challenge the fittest of athletes. Oneida Family Fitness has something for everyone, including teens.

Teen training is designed to give young adults the chance to utilize all exercise equipment offered at Oneida Family Fitness as they learn safe and fun ways to workout. From treadmills to arc trainers and nautilus equipment to free weights, teens are given supervised training sessions with knowledgeable and professional staff. This is a group fitness class designed with teens in mind. Classes are offered on Monday and Wednesday evenings starting at 7:00pm. Each session will target a different muscle group, so classes are always new and informative. With so much to offer, teens won't soon get bored with their exercise.

The variety of exercise equipment will allow teens to explore new and exciting ways to exercise. Oneida Family Fitness offers four separate exercise areas including free weight, hammer strength, nautilus, and cardiovascular rooms. Each room offers a unique experience that allows for varied training.

Teen training at Oneida Family fitness is a great place to kick start exercise routines while learning how to use new and challenging equipment. The knowledgeable staff at Oneida Family Fitness welcome all teens to give us a try.



Fitness Members *for the month of* June 2006...



Joan Calabaza

Joan has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for about four years. She has recently made a commitment to exercise in order to help lower her blood pressure. About six months ago, Joan was put on blood pressure medication, but she is determined to get off the medication because it does not make her feel very good. This "wake up call" has helped her to get going again to keep from being lazy and overweight.

Since exercising on a regular basis again, Joan has been able to lower her blood pressure, reduce her medication, and lower her weight so her clothes fit better. These accomplishments were made possible by walking on the track and treadmill, along with riding the bike, on a regular basis.

Joan enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because the staff is friendly and knows her name. Besides working out at Oneida Family Fitness, Joan likes to walk, read, watch the 'Lifetime' channel on television, play bingo, spend time with her daughter, Cheyanne, and visit with the Doxtator family.

Lastly, Joan's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Exercise for yourself- no one can do it for you!"



Mark Powless

Mark has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for about four years. Mark has always enjoyed sports and exercise. This fact has helped Mark to maintain a healthy lifestyle throughout his life. Since exercise and overall health are important to him, he is motivated to teach his son the importance of this same lifestyle.

Mark's proximity to the facility from work allows him to complete his workouts during his lunch break. For the most part, he enjoys playing basketball and lifting weights.

Mark enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because of the convenience, friendly staff, different exercise options, and friends that exercise there as well. Besides working out at Oneida Family Fitness, Mark enjoys spending time with his family.

Finally, Mark's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "In order for exercise to make a difference, it must be consistent! It begins with a commitment to having a positive attitude each and every day!"

From Page 6/ *Councilman DelaRosa*

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

PCB Update

I attended a special meeting at the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce (GBACC) on June 12 regarding PCB.

At the meeting the Executive Board of the GBACC and many regular GBACC member's discussed a position statement which was passed by the GBACC Public Policy Council. This position statement was being considered for adoption (6/12) by the whole GBACC as its official position.

I was at the meeting to oppose the position statement that is listed below and to try and find and alternative position statement that would not harm our interest.

The position statement that was considered this morning was:

"The Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce supports the application of Georgia-Pacific Corporation to construct a new cell at its west side landfill for the disposal of approximately 200,000 cubic yards of sediment dredged from the Fox River subject to a determination by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources that the operation will be protective of human health and the environment."

At the end of the meeting we took-up the central issues and those were, what is the best approach to remove the hot spots of PCB pollution from the Fox River short-term and where should this toxic waste be stored long-term?

I made it clear that we did not support the Green Bay site because it was not designed for those types of toxins nor were the storage methods proven to be safe. We also discussed other technical considerations, thankfully the GBACC agreed with my position on behalf of the Oneida Tribe.

Accordingly, the position of the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce's Public Policy Council was rejected at the meeting by the GBACC Executive Committee. Likewise, the alternative position that was supported is listed below:

1.) The GBACC supports that the consent decree be modified to consider the Town of Holland site as the more suitable site for land filling river sediments.
2.) The GBACC supports that the hottest dredging spots (200,000 cubic yards) be sent out of the State of Wisconsin to the Wayne County facility in Detroit, Michigan.
3.) The GBACC will ultimately support the assessment and decision by the DNR and the EPA as this process moves forward.

The position above is based on my notes, as soon as I get the written position from the GBACC, I'll place that in my upcoming article.

In my next article I will write about an exciting Preventative Health Bill that I've authored.

Thanks for your attention to this update. If my office can be of any assistance to you or your family, please free to contact me at 920-869-4469.

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Sports

West De Pere falls short in quest for Championship

AP Writer
Grand Chute, Wis

Portage scored three runs in the fifth inning because of a critical error to beat West De Pere 8-2 in Thursday's WIAA Division 2 state baseball championship.

"That was our goal from the beginning of the year on, to win state," reliever Trevin Kreier said. "We got it accomplished."

Portage won its first state title in its first trip to the state tournament.

De Pere played roughly 11 hours after defeating Waupun, 8-6, in a semifinal game that didn't end until past 2 a.m. Thursday morning.

"I can't really use that as an excuse," said De Pere manager Sean Gibbons. "I don't know if that really changed anything. We very easily could have won (the title game) and then said 'See, it doesn't matter."'

West De Pere (18-8) committed four errors.

The Phantoms rallied for two runs in the top of the sixth to pull to within 6-2, but Portage (20-4) answered with another two runs to ice the game.

Matt Kabele got the win for Portage, striking out five batters over six innings. Sean Luedeman and Devin Bressers had two hits each, with Tyler Feucht adding two RBI for the Warriors.

Matt Doxtator took the loss for West De Pere, allowing three earned runs over four innings.



Kali photo/Steve Gandy
West De Pere's, Matt Doxtator, attempts a pick-off throw to first base in the second inning. Doxtator was the starting pitcher for the Phantoms in their 8-2 loss to Portage in the finals of the WIAA Spring Baseball Championship.

Team Oneida results of Bellin Run





Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski
Left: Sid White sports an award winning T-shirt through a sprinkler.
Top: Cathy Delgado has fun while running.

By Eric Frantz
Oneida Team Captain

Saturday June 10th marked the 30th Anniversary of the Bellin Run, and the second year of the Bellin Run Corporate Challenge! With the help of the Oneida Casino Marketing Staff, Oneida Family Fitness Staff, and team members, this is how Team Oneida did:

T-shirt Contest: Each company designs it's own T-shirt to wear to show team unity. Team Oneida finished in second place, with a shirt that was beautifully designed by Garth Webster.

Corporate Timing Division This award division includes the six fastest times recorded by each team's top three male and top three female runners, including the world class runner. Team Oneida finished in 4th Place with an average time of 46 minutes and 14 seconds. Team members included were Chad Cornelius, Ryan Waterstreet, Dr. Michael Flood, Shannon Kohlbeck, Jessica Danforth, and our World Class Runner, Elva Dryer.

Participation Division: This award goes to the company with the greatest percentage of participation based on its total number of employees. Participants for each team included employees and their friends and family members. Team Oneida finished in 8th Place out of 10 teams in the XL Company division, with only 1.5% (90 people) of it's total number of employees participating.

For the second year in a row, no company won the Bellin Corporate Challenge Triple Crown. This award goes to a company that sponsors the Bellin Run and wins the T-shirt contest, Corporate Timing Division, and Participation Division. With more participants, Team Oneida could be next year's Triple Crown Winner.

Skenandore competes in Belgium

Invited by USA Intl' Softball Team

By Julia Skenandore
Kali Intern

This past school year I was recruited by USA Athletes to compete in Belgium. The team consisted of talented and athletic young ladies from all over the U.S. Recruiters look for new athletes each year and many times these athletes are invited on several trips to different countries to compete. Last year I was invited to play in Holland and Peru, but decided to wait until my senior year to go overseas for athletics.

USA started off the Goodwill games with a win against a team from Belgium. Winning 12-3, I pitched the last three innings of the game striking out five and giving up three hits. Coming back two days later with another win against the same team 20-1 I closed the last two innings striking out four.

After a two-day break from softball spending both days touring and sight seeing the USA team came back to play a double header against the number one team in Belgium. We fell apart in the last inning, which caused our first loss, 6-3. Coming back strong in the second game I went the distance striking out five batters with one unearned run.

It was a great experience to compete with other cultures, but a big challenge to communicate with opposing teams and other people from Europe. The last game was an exciting 7-4 win over Amsterdam, which would complete the tournament going 4-1 overall.

I am a senior from Marian College of Fond du Lac and have come a long way since an injury to my hand almost ended my softball career earlier this year. I fought hard to get back in the game by mid-season finishing my senior year at 20-25 overall.



Photo contributed by Julia Skenandore
Julia in top form.

Legendary PGA player will be in Oneida

Openings available for Jr. golf program

Submitted by Conrad King

There is still room left for the Jr. Golf Program of all ages. We have a special guest conducting the 6–8-year-old program this year. His name is Butch Baird. Mr. Baird is a 40-year veteran on the PGA tour. Mr. Baird retired from the tour in 1999. He has played golf with Legends such as Jack Nicholas, Arnold Palmer, Lee Trevino etc . . . He has also been instructed by the great David Leadbetter.

In addition to the 6–8 year-old program, Mr. Baird will be conducting a number of clinics. Friday, July 14, 06 at 10:00am for youth of all ages, Friday evening at 5:00pm for all instructors teaching or leading golf programs, Saturday, July 15, 06 at 9:00 a.m. for ALL golfers followed by lunch and a round of golf TBA.

This is an event you can not afford to miss. Mr. Baird's interest in our community stems from his belief that there should be more Native American representation on the PGA tour. His focus is to assist our community to build a solid foundation for our youth to assist in reaching their fullest potential.

There will be NO FEE required to attend either of the clinics. Food will be provided. All Clinics will be held at the Hidden Valley Driving Range. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Conrad at **920-869-1088.**

Little League Baseball off to good start

By Kyle Casper
Sports & Fitness Specialist
Oneida Recreation Department

The 2006 Little League Baseball season began 3 weeks ago and already has produced some very entertaining games. The kids are progressing very nicely and continue to improve each time they take the field. Here are the results thus far:

May 30th games:

Hawks 14, Wildcats 2

Leading hitters were John Powless with 2 hits for the Hawks and Gerrid Danforth with a double for the Wildcats.

Warriors 19, Heaters 1

Leading hitters were Rodney Denny and Trent Jourdan with 3 apiece for the Warriors while Victor King scored a run for the Heaters.

June 1st games:

Hawks 12, Heaters 2

Leading hitters were Marquis Hines with 2 hits for the Hawks and TJ McNaughton doubled for the Heaters.

Warriors 7, Wildcats 2

Jo Jo Santiago scored 2 runs for the Warriors while Marcus Tucker had 2 hits for the Wildcats.

June 6th games:

Wildcats 10, Heaters 7

Marcus Tucker, Jianna Hill, and Gerrid Danforth each scored 2 runs for the Wildcats while Sandy Cohen and Tre'Lonnie King each scored twice for the Heaters.

Hawks 3, Warriors 1

Devon Skenandore had 3 hits and combined with John Powless to strike out 13 batters. Rodney Denny scored the Warriors run.

June 8th games:

Warriors 11, Heaters 7

Rodney Denny and Josh Smith each had 2 hits for the Warriors and TJ McNaughton had 2 hits for the Heaters.

Hawks 7, Wildcats 1

John Powless had 2 hits for the Hawks while Gerrid Danforth had 2 hits for the Wildcats.

June 13th games:

Warriors 12, Wildcats 0

Jo Jo Santiago, Trent Jourdan, and Josh Smith all had 2 hits for the Warriors with Gerrid Danforth and Devin Little collecting hits for the Wildcats.

Hawks 17, Heaters 4

Patton Wille and John Powless each had 3 hits and scored 3 runs each while Victor King collected a hit for the Heaters.

Current Standings:

	W	L
Hawks	5	0
Warriors	4	1
Wildcats	1	4
Heaters	0	5

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Oneida rapper Buggin Malone wins NAMMY



Photo courtesy of Monica Boutwell

Wayne "Buggin" Malone won a Native American Music Award for Best R&B/Rap/Hip Hop recording for his CD *Spirit World*.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

June 8th started with a tornado and ended with an Native American Music Award (NAMMY) for Best R&B/Rap/Hip Hop recording for Oneida rap artist Wayne 'Buggin' Malone.

"I can't believe that I brought that award home, it was awesome," said Malone during a phone interview from his Wisconsin Rapids home.

Malone picked up the award for *Spirit World* at the NAMMY's 8th annual awards show held at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Hollywood, Florida.

But before Malone and his wife Amber could fly out for the show, they had to dodge a twister in western Wisconsin.

"I actually seen the tornado touch down about 50,60 yards in front of us. Pretty scary, we had to hide under an underpass." he said.

He almost faced another storm at the awards show.

"During the (acceptance) speech, I forgot to announce my wife, give her special thanks also, so I ran back out there and gave her thanks. So that was the talk of the night," said Malone, "Everybody was like, 'Oh yeah, you almost had a long ride home.'"

Malone has been rapping for twelve years and released his first CD *Birth of a Warrior* three years ago which was also nominated for a NAMMY but didn't win.

Malone draws on his experience growing up in Milwaukee as well as Native American political and social issues when writing his songs. "I try to educate through my music things that people didn't know and I try and bring it to light for them." he said.

The rapper lists his musical influences as KRS-1, Public Enemy and Kanye West and his notes the personal influences of his mother and grandmother.

"It's twice as hard being a woman but being an Indian woman, I had to watch(my mother) do it for us in the inner city, being we were pretty much poor. I had to watch her struggle, and yet she stayed strong, she raised us right."

Malone dedicated his award to his grandmother who was diagnosed with cancer in November and given six months to live.

"We're going on seven months here and she's still givin' her, she's still strong," he said, "It shows me how strong Indian people are, you know, especially my grandmother. She's 85-years-old and she's still has a strong will to live and it's powerful to see that."

Music samples and CD's can be purchased at Malone's website **www.bugginmalone.com**

Also taking home a NAMMY was Wade Fernandez for Best Male Artist for his recording *Song of the Black Wolf*.

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For more information, call the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee at 920-496-7897. Reserve your room now at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, Green Bay by calling 1-800-333-3333. Ask for the Pow-Wow room rate. Rates based on availability.

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Education

Education Center to offer summer computer classes

By Mike Mousseau
CEC Computer Instructor

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced its schedule of computer classes for July. Classes are free for tribal members and employees, and held at the Center's location at 2632 S. Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced training in Corel WordPerfect Office and Microsoft Office software, the Community Education Center also offers classes for those who are new to computers and would like to learn more about how to use computers at home or work.

Among the classes to be offered in July are"Computer for Beginners" which is scheduled to begin on Monday, July 3. This two-session class provides those who have little or no prior computer experience with a basic understanding of how to use computers. A three-session class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows XP" will be offered starting on Wednesday, July 5.

There will be an "Introduction to Microsoft Internet Explorer" classes offered on Wednesday July 12. This two-hour classes provides students with a basic understanding of how to use Explorer to navigate the Internet, and how to find information using search engines and other Internet tools. There will also be an "Introduction to Digital Cameras" class on July 7.

For those looking to learn word processing for home or work, an introductory class on Corel WordPerfect will begin on Wednesday, July 19. There will be an introductory class on Microsoft Word beginning on Monday, July 24. Both these classes provide students with an understanding of the basics of using a computer typing letters, reports, etc.

Those who would like to learn how to use computer spreadsheets can attend an introductory class on Corel Quattro Pro beginning on Monday, July 10, or on Microsoft Excel also on, Monday, July 10. Also in July, the Community Education Center will be offering classes on Intuit QuickBooks, Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Access, and Corel Paradox.

Introductory keyboarding training is also available using the award-winning Mavis Beacon software. Students can work at their own pace to learn the basics of typing and using a computer keyboard. In addition to classes, one-on-one training and assistance is also available by appointment during regular business hours.

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center is open Monday thru Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information on computer classes, training or assistance, contact the Center at 496-7860.

Presidential Recognition



Photo courtesy of April Skenandore

Mariah Metoxen was recognized by the President of the United States and the U.S. Secretary of Education for outstanding student achievement and hard work. The staff at Rock Ledge Elementary School in Seymour presented Mariah with the Presidents Award for Educational Excellence. Mariah recently completed the fifth grade and is the daughter of April Skenandore.

St. Norbert offers July campus tours

De Pere, WI – St. Norbert College is offering guided campus tours and giving students and their families a chance to meet with staff from the admissions and financial aid departments during Wisconsin Private College Week Monday, July 10, through Saturday, July 15. Refreshments will be served.

Students and families are invited to tour St. Norbert College and visit classrooms, residence halls, and other facilities with knowledgeable guides. Individual tours, including a meeting with an admission representative, can be scheduled each weekday during Private College Week and on a limited basis on Saturday, July 15.

If you would like to visit St. Norbert College during Wisconsin Private College Week you are encouraged to make an appointment. For more information call 1-800-236-4878. The Office of Admission is also open throughout the summer and offers campus visits, as well as application fee waivers, on a daily basis to all prospective students considering St. Norbert College.

Higher education reminders for students and prospects

Congratulations to all of our graduating students!! Don't forget to submit a copy of your final grades, and a copy of your certificate or diploma when available.

If you plan to attend school for the 2006 fall term, you should be completing your application materials now. Students who take 6 credits or more must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. All students seeking funding through Oneida Higher Education are required to complete a higher ed application and participant agreement on a yearly basis. Call the higher ed office if you would like help with any of these forms.

New students, or students changing schools, or students going on to a higher level degree, must submit a copy of acceptance letter to their school/program.

All students must submit an official Oneida Higher Education academic plan for each semester/term. The academic advisor/counselor from school must sign the plan, as well as the student. Any unsigned plans or format variations will be returned to the student, which may result in a delay of funds.

Students should keep in touch. We need to know if you change your name, address or phone number. If you change your school or your major. If you drop or add credits. Don't be shy about calling, especially if you have a problem or a question.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Phone numbers are 920-869-4033 or 800-236-2214. All staff have voice mail, so you can leave a message. Or contact us through our web site. Go to www.oneidanation.org, then choose departments, then higher education.

Go to Harvard University for free

Representatives from Harvard University announced on March 30, 2006 that they are expanding the financial aid initiative for low and middle income families that was started in 2004. Beginning with the class admitted for the fall 2006 term, families with incomes of less than $60,000 will not be expected to contribute to the cost of their children's education at Harvard. In addition, Harvard will reduce the contributions of families with incomes between $60,000 and $80,000. Harvard President Lawrence H Summers stated that "there is no more important mission for Harvard and higher education than promoting equality of opportunity for all." The university has a projected financial aid budget of $90 million for the coming school year, which helps to make Harvard more affordable for many students than public colleges or universities.

Harvard is always looking for the best and the brightest students, so if you are, or know of, an honor student graduating from high school soon, this could be a great opportunity. For more information go to http://fao.fas.harvard.edu./ or call Alan Stone at 617-495-1703.

Oneida Nation High School Academic Honors

(GPA)	Student Name	Grade
4.000	Lauren Mills*	10
3.953	Crystal Metoxen*	11
3.953	Shakira Stevens*	11
3.857	Yuntle>k@lau McLester*	09
3.810	Robert (Frank) Clary*	10
3.810	Joslin Skenandore*	09
3.761	Edward Metoxen•	11
3.714	Raeanne Funmaker•	10
3.667	Lenita Cornelius•	11
3.571	Yoklot Cornelius•	11
3.524	Deborah Santiago•	10
3.477	Garrett Miller	09
3.477	Darrell Skenandore	11
3.429	Luanne Funmaker	10
3.429	Scott Lynk	12
3.429	Virgil Stevens	12
3.381	Racheal Ninham	10
3.287	Amanda Skenandore	11
3.286	Sean Metoxen	10
3.191	Lois Stevens	11
3.047	Neset Vega	10

* Highest Honors
• High Honors

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Highest Honors:

Jennifer Hargrove – 4.00
Daniel Hawk – 4.00
Koebach, Portia – 4.00
Kelly Kriescher – 4.00
Heather Reince – 4.00
Cameo Self – 4.00
David Tucker – 4.00
Nicole Warrington – 4.00
Patrick Waukau – 4.00
Candace Wilber – 4.00

High Honors:

Katie Bero - 3.81
Denise Copus – 3.92
Dawn Espinoza – 3.89
Naomi Faustino – 3.88
Holly Furcho – 3.75
Melanie Jorgenson – 3.75
Kari Kuhn – 3.75
Bradley, Meulemans – 3.94
Lorraine Miesbauer – 3.77
Richard Montour – 3.94
George Otradovec – 3.94
Carol Paus – 3.81
Tina Pinchart – 3.75
Marie Reiter – 3.81
Lola Smith – 3.79
David Stephany – 3.88
Cara Thunder – 3.94

Honors:

Karen Adams – 3.62
Craig Corn – 3.56
Benjamin Daniels – 3.60
Gina Gregor – 3.72
Menomin Hawpetoss – 3.55
Terese Jacobs – 3.58
Jeanette King – 3.56
Brandi Lowry – 3.64
Kalhaku McLester – 3.62
Todd Metoxen – 3.56
Tania Nanney – 3.68
Nichole Napier – 3.56
Monica Pamaska – 3.58
Phyllis Parsons – 3.65
Kristina Reed – 3.68
Amanda Reiter – 3.50
Janelle Schroeder – 3.68
Holly Shepard – 3.51
Marlon Skenandore – 3.62
Theresa Smith – 3.62
Kim Staszak – 3.50
Rochelle Tourtillott – 3.56
Jesse Watermolen – 3.56



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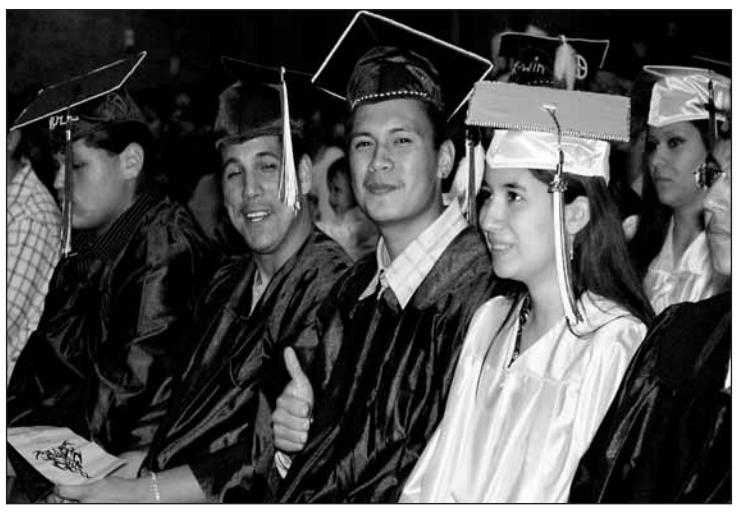
by Earl Elm
ONHS junior

This year was one of the greatest school years I have ever had.

There was a lot more to here than at any other school I've been to. At my other schools, I just worked and watched movies and every couple of months we would have a little party.

Over here though, it's better because this school is like a family school. Most of the people here, I'm related to. This was one of the best years of my life.

One of my favorite classes in this school is journalism. This is a fun class to be in if you like to write but, if not, take it anyway because the teacher here is pretty funny. If you're down in the dumps he will make you laugh. There are two teachers that could do that and those teachers are Gary Lancelle and Denis Gullickson. The great thing about it is that you barely get any homework in this class. It's class work and lots of writing. Parents, if you send your kid to Oneida have them take Journalism.



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Left to right: Scott Lynk, Jon House, Anthony Gutierrez and Amber Doxtater enjoy their graduation ceremony held Friday, June 9th at the Radisson Inn.

Track and Field Review

by Darrell Skenandore
ONHS junior and Thunderhawk Times second semester editor

Track and Field is now over and has been over for about 2 weeks. But the T-Hawks experienced some record-breaking success at regionals that deserves some attention.

At regionals three school records were broken, ONHS athletes made the finals and one ONHS track team member qualified as a sectional finalist.

Making finals means that you finish in the top 8. To qualify for sectionals, you have to finish in top 4. If you make finals, you get 3 more attempts to further improve your score, but if you don't they keep the best one of the night.

The three people that broke the records were Twyla Danforth in shot put, throwing 33 feet; Freddie Hernandez in shot put, throwing 42 feet; and yours truly on the triple jump, jumping 35 feet. Freddie Hernandez and Twyla Danforth both made finals, but Twyla made sectionals finishing in 3rd place. I'd say that my jump was "good" but everybody else had better jumps.

My first year in high school

by Shaina Powless
ONHS freshman (soon to be sophomore)

Hello, I'm Shaina Powless and I am a freshman at the Oneida Nation High School.

My first year in highschool was easier than what I thought it would be. I had a lot of fun getting to know all the new people around me. I gained a lot in high school, such as more responsibility, and I also noticed that I have become more mature since 8th grade.

When I was in 8th grade, I would think about high school, and I got kinda worried because you need a certain amount or credits to pass and all the harder work and things like that, instead of just getting all the work in and passing to the next grade. You actually have to work in high school! (Haha!)

There are a lot of cool teachers here also, like two of the many favorites are Gary Lancelle, the computer teacher, and Denis Gullickson, the vice principal. My experience in high school, for being my first year I really liked it. I have always liked school, but now in high school, it is even better!

School Year at an End

by Joe Christjohn
ONHS junior

This school year was a fast one for me because it seems like the older I get the faster time gets. I think that's really weird. But this year was a pretty darned fast one.

I guess I had some fun this year, but I was also getting kind of sick of being here.

I don't really want to leave school, too, because I don't really have anything planned for this year except an art camp I'm going to. I should be better when I come back from it. I'll be a whole new artist. Well, hopefully.

Some say this year was really slow, but I thought it was fast for all that work getting done for all my classes. Friday, the school year ends and I guess its going to be fun. There is going to be some sports things going on like baseball and football, hopefully, unless someone has to be a loser and stop the game. But I think nobody will because most of the teachers here are really cool and they are really cool at the end of the year. Except some because they just like to keep the rules going until the very last minute of the school year. I'm not going to say names ... but, yeah, this school year was somewhat of a blast. Well, kind of a blast.

Poster Contest Winner



Submitted Photo/Cindy Thomas

Travis Dessart-Cornelious, (above) is a graduating Senior from the ONHS and won $100 gift card for his design. His design will assist in the final design of the new Maple Sugar Camp that is being designed by Chris Cornelius.

The Omen Revisited

By Scott Lynk
ONHS senior

The Omen is the best movie I have seen yet this year.

Following pretty close to the original, in modern times, of course, The Omen is good movie overall. There are a few gory scenes here and there, and more than a few not-supposed-to-be-funny-but-you-can't-help-but-laugh moments.

This was the first movie that I said was good in a while and I don't say that much. It was worth the $8.75 this time.

The only bad thing that I have to say is that the movie does kind of get a little lengthy at times. But even then they catch you off guard.

I give this movie a 3 or 3 _ stars out of 5.

Have a great summer!

A Little Hazard!

By Luanne Funmaker
ONHS sophomore

Some people like to run, exercise, have class, or just go for a nice walk behind the Norbert Hill Center woods. That, however, is being prevented because of a safety issue. There happens to be a makeshift bridge on the way through the woods, as some of the young adults might know there is a simple short cut from the Norbert Hill Center to Site I. But a bridge that was once there is now gone, and someone has decided to make this little bridge out of planks of wood and fallen trees. Although it can get someone from point A to point B, the fact that it is not safe poses an issue. I just thought I would point this out due to the fact that the problem has been brought up before and there was nothing done about it. So, if someone in this small community would feel obligated to rebuild a sturdier, more reliable bridge it would be gratefully appreciated.

Another Look at Every 15 Minutes



Kali Photo/Steven Gandy

Debbie Santiago plays "Dead at the Scene" in the "Every 15 minutes" crash re-enactment.

by Darrell Skenandore,
ONHS junior and Thunderhawk Times second semester editor

Did you know that every 15 minutes somebody dies from an alcohol related car crash?

It's true. And on Tuesday, May 30, some kids from ONHS showed the commu nity what such a car crash would look like right there in front of their own eyes.

The students had a fake car crash that went very well due to some great acting. The students in the crash re-enactment showed the other students what it would look like for some people they knew to die in one of these accidents.

The program began by the grim reaper quietly moving through the school, taking certain students out of classes, one every 15 minutes, and soon the school population was very small. Students were then escorted by the reaper to the crash site.

Gary Lancelle, ONHS computer teacher, said, " I didn't know that some many people in our school were afraid to show emotion because when the crash site got intense some of the students were laughing and telling jokes because they were afraid to cry or show some kind of emotion." I thought that his statement was true. ONHS senior Jon House said, "when we had the re-enactment of the driving accident, I thought that touched a lot of people."

by Stakwas Danforth
ONHS senior

One school activity that I thought was really outstanding this year was the activity some of the ONHS students did on drunk driving.

The "Every 15 minutes someone dies from drunk driving" activity was very educational and got everyone's attention as to how important it is to not drink and drive. Although the scene was not real, I think it really struck a lot of people because this could have happened to anyone of them.

It took place outside in front of the highschool. OPD, Ryan's Funeral Home, fire trucks and an ambulance were involved in this event. The students who participated were Debbie Santiago, Darrell Skenadore, Kemewin Wheelock, Yuntle Mclester, Twyla Danforth, Eddie Metoxin, Rollie Christjohn and Winona Godfrey. These students played excellent roles in this scene and I think they did a great job trying to prove the point to not drink and drive.

My Scoop

Gay Marriage An Important Issue? I Don't Think So!

By Travis Dessart-Cornelius
ONHS senior

Just recently gay marriage has been in the news again, right around mid-term elections. Coincidence? I think NOT!

It's not that this story has caught my attention as in I care about it. But it has caught my attention because it really makes me wonder how the heck politicians can get away with things like this and the people that support these politicians don't see what's in front of their eyes.

If they really wanted to put a stop to gay marriage, I don't think it would be that hard. Bush partially got elected on this topic and I don't think he was short of supporters. But have you really heard any news since the election about this issue? No, not really.

Why now? Why this year? Have they decided to resurface this stupid push to add to the constitution a ban on gays marrying?

It's because this year it's the mid term elections. They need a topic to sway voters and this one has done it before and they believe it will help again.

I don't think "marriage" means what it used to anymore. Not when you've got people marrying their two pet rabbits and others marrying just for money.

"Til death do us part" obviously doesn't hold true these days, if it ever has.

So why not let these people marry? In fact, I believe gays would probably last longer in a marriage than normal couples.

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You too can be growing power

by Bill Ver Voort
OCIFS Coordinator

How long could you survive without television, radio or your computer? Some people would respond, "I wouldn't want to survive without those things", but realistically you could go the rest of your life without them. Now, how long could you survive without food and water? We ALL not only need food and water on a daily basis, but we need GOOD food and water. That is what 37 community members experienced on Saturday, June 10 at Growing Power in Milwaukee.

At 8:10am the tour bus left the NHC with community members ranging from 5 - 85 years old. In less than 2 hours we were pulling into the parking lot of a facility like no other, and one that most of us have never even heard of before, Growing Power. Growing Power is a training facility that includes seven large greenhouses, a kitchen, indoor & outdoor training gardens and a aquaculture and hydroponic system. They also have animals at the facility which include: worms, fish, rabbits, bees, goats, chickens, ducks and a turkey.

The director of Growing Power, Will Allen, is working to get food into the hands of people who have become disconnected from the land. The philosophy behind the organization is that most people don't know about good quality food, how it grows, where it comes from and what makes good food good, and bad food bad. When we were leaving Mr. Allen summed up his view, "We're not just growing food, were growing communities."

We arrived back at the NHC in plenty of time to still enjoy the beautiful weather. Although we were only gone for several hours, the knowledge and passion that we got from Will Allen and Growing Power, will hopefully stick with us for a long time to come. If you ever get the opportunity to visit Growing Power don't pass it up, you'll learn that we all can benefit from the Power of Growing.



Submitted photos/Will Ver Voot

Above: Will Allen takes us fishing in his aquiculture tank. The 37 Oneida community members arrived at Growing Power in Milwaukee on Saturday, June 10.

Super Blood Drive

GREEN BAY, WI (June 2006) – Help save a life before the 4th of July Holiday by donating blood at this year's Super Donor Day blood drive on July 3 from 7:30am-1:30pm. The blood drive will once again be held at Shopko Hall in Green Bay. The goal is to collect 300 pints of blood to ensure there is enough blood for those who need it over the 4th of July Holiday.

"With all the people heading up north on vacation and other summer activities taking place this week, it's difficult to collect enough blood for patients over the July 4th holiday," said Dave Liethen, Donor Recruitment Representative of the local Red Cross Blood Services Region. "It is important to remember that just because it is a holiday week does not mean patients take a break from needing blood."

New this year will be the first 100 people in the door will receive a special gift from Prevea Health. All those who attend will have a chance to add an autographed football by Packers running back Ahman Green to their Packer collection. Join the Red Cross for some summer fun and food provided by Papa Johns and Good Humor-Breyers. Free parking is available in front of Shopko Hall or in the parking lot on the east side of the Don Hutson Center. Childcare is available at the event while people donate.

All eligible donors, including high school and college students are encouraged to bring friends, family or co-workers to donate as well. High school and college-aged students account for about 15 percent of blood collections during the school year, but less than one percent during summer.

SUPER DONOR DAY BLOOD DONATION SITE
ShopKo Hall
1901 S. Oneida Street
Monday, July 3: 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Farmers Market

by Bill Ver Voort
OCIFS Coordinator

We are pleased to announce it is Farmers Market time again. What a great way to spend a nice summer day; buying fresh produce right from the farmer, having a brat or a burger and taking a little time to socialize with the people around you. The Farmers Market will start on Tuesday, June 27th and run every Tuesday throughout the summer. It will start at 2pm and run to 6pm. This will give those people that have to work a chance to visit the Market right after work. Due to construction of the Wastewater Treatment Facility, the Farmers Market moved _ mile west of the Hwy 54 Oneida One Stop in the Oneida Business Park across from the Post Office.

The Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS) Members are again offering the Farmers Market Dollars this year. This money is as good as a regular dollar at the Oneida Farmers Market, and you can use any amount you want at one time on anything the Market has to offer. You can find the Market Dollars at the following OCIFS locations (Oneida Apple Orchard, Tsyunhe'hkw^ Retail and the Food Distribution/Pantry). So, grab the kids and your Farmers Market Dollars and come on down to another great season of the Oneida Farmers Market. Be sure to watch upcoming announcements for this year's Farmers Market Bash.

The Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H brat booth, will still be open to serve delicious burgers and brats during the Farmers Market. This Market is free of charge to any and all people who would like to sell their products. If you are interested in selling your garden products or other quality products (eg. leather products, wood products, paintings, etc.) please contact either Jen Falck at **496-5336** or Bill Ver Voort at **869-4530**.

DNR opens "green" office in Howard

GREEN BAY, Wis. – Lt. Governor Barbara Lawton led dignitaries Monday cutting a ribbon to officially open the DNR's new regional headquarters building on Shawano Avenue in the Village of Howard on Green Bay's northeast side.

The DNR's Northeast Regional Headquarters and Service Center is Wisconsin's first "green" state office building and has recently been awarded the Gold LEEDTM Certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. LEED stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. Completion of this building marks a significant environmental milestone in Wisconsin and is a demonstration of some of the environmentally friendly and cost-saving techniques and technologies available to architects and contractors when designing and building today's buildings. The building houses the DNR regional managers and program experts who serve the 16 counties in northeastern Wisconsin.

In her remarks, Lt. Governor Lawton stressed Governor Doyle's commitment to high environmental and energy efficiency standards. Lawton told an audience of citizens, state, county and village officials that "Governor Doyle's executive order of April 11 directs the Department of Administration to establish standards to make sure that our state buildings are a model for the rest of the state in energy conservation, and save us millions in the process." Lawton added, "The state invested $70,000 to improve the design of this building, but it is estimated the improvements should save the state $500,000 over the next 20 years. Through the Governor's Green Buildings Executive Order, the state will multiply these savings as similar investments are made in buildings throughout state government."

The guidelines of Doyle's order apply to every aspect of the construction process, as well as retrofitting existing state buildings. Lawton stressed that these "green" building standards will cut the costs of operating and maintaining the state's 6,300 buildings while conserving energy, water, materials, and land, and improving the health of state workers. She noted that "Once this effort is fully implemented it will save the state as much as 30 percent on its energy bill, which translates into more than $30 million in annual savings for Wisconsin taxpayers."

Joining Lawton at the podium was DNR Secretary Scott Hassett and Joe Dettlaff, President of the architectural/engineering firm of Berners-Schober Associates, Inc. which designed and oversaw construction of the building. Hassett said, "Everyone knows the DNR aims to protect and enhance the environment. In this project, the agency leads by example. The results equate to a building that is easy on the environment, and that will be saving money for Wisconsin's taxpayers for decades to come."

The $4.7 million, three-story, 34,560 square-foot building became a catalyst for developing sustainable state building guidelines for energy standards, use of day lighting, and recycling. According to Dettlaff, President of Berners-Schober Associates, " Our staff spent a lot of time collaborating with our State of Wisconsin clients to plan a building that could operate in a more environmentally sustainable way." Ian Griffiths, project manager for Berners-Schober added, "The focus on the NER building was not as much on gadgets, controls and technology, but rather on a design that integrated form with efficient building systems to improve both human performance and reduce energy consumption. This DNR building demonstrates that commercial office space can be built economically and operate efficiently."

The designer and contractors focused on five main areas to realize the goal of creating a sustainable structure: making the best use of the building site; incorporating natural light; minimizing, reusing or recycling construction waste; selecting appropriate materials to construct the building and outfit the interior; and using smart energy sources for efficient heating and cooling. For example, in the area of energy, the DNR building is the largest commercial customer in northeast Wisconsin purchasing renewable energy through Wisconsin Public Service's Nature-Wise® program. Visitors touring the building viewed a monitor in the building lobby displaying real-time energy savings and information about the building design. Recent calculations show the building is easily achieving goals of meeting an Energy Star rating of 85 or better.

The DNR's Regional Headquarters building also netted Berners-Schober Associates the first Governor's Award for Sustainable Design and Construction in 2005 in recognition of its exemplary work on this pioneering state office building.

Open House at Ridgeview Plaza



Business units at the Ridgeview Plaza sponsored an Open House Friday afternoon, June 9th to educate the community on services, products and initiatives that are taking place in each area.
The event attracted more than 200 people who enjoyed a healthy lunch of wild rice, corn soup and squash.
Visitors could participate in a scavenger hunt where they would tour plaza units such as Oneida Appeals Commission, Oneida Environmental Health and Safety, Oneida Environmental Resource Board, Oneida Compliance Division and Tsyunhehkw< Retail to fill out a form and win a prize.



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

Top: Wetland Program Coordinator Tony Kuchma helps Roberta Anderson fill out her scavanger hunt sheet. Participants who completed the hunt were then entered in a drawing for prizes.
Right: More than 200 people enjoyed music, food and tours of the Ridgeview Plaza Open House Friday, June 9th.

Community Members needed…

To serve on Lake Board

Members will help guide the planning, design, and creation of a 20+-acre lake on the Reservation. The purpose of the Board is to provide both a cultural and community perspective for the project. Meetings will be called during various phases of the project.

If you are interested in becoming a member of this exciting team, please contact Betsy Galbraith in the Environmental Quality Department at 496-5327.

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Also please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Senaida Cherisse Castaneda



Senaida Cherisse Castaneda was born to proud parents Summer Dawn Powless and Cesar Castaneda-Hernandez at 10:03 a.m. on Friday, May 5, 2006 at Aurora Baycare Medical Center in Green Bay, WI. She was 6lbs, 4oz and 19 1/2 inches at birth.

Great Grandparents are Vera D. Wilson and Clifford O. Powless. Maternal Grandparent is Rochelle A. Powless. Paternal Grandparents are Concio Castaneda Henriquez, and Olegaria Hernandez-Cruz.

Senaida has one older sibling Seneth Robert John Powless, age 4.

Happy Birthday

Steve and Sherry



Love you,
Your families

Happy Birthday

Steve
on July 5



From your family
We love you!!

Happy Birthday

Margaret
on July 9



From your family
We love you!!

Happy Birthday

Margaret
on July 9



Love Grandma Marj and
ALL our Family

Happy Birthday

Brandon
on July 31



From your family
We love you!!

Starting Sunday, March 5th, 2006…

The Oneida Hymn Singers
will be having singing practice
every Sunday from 4:00PM to 5:00PM
***at the* Oneida Parish Hall.**
Anyone interested in singing is welcome
Hymn Books for Sale.

Any Questions Call:
Carol Cornelius at 920-833-9922 *or*
Lois Powless at 920-833-7745

www.oneidanation.org
Click on Departments (at the top). select **Language Revitalization** and then language lessons.

Congratulations

Alexis Lee Madrid
On her Three Dance Competitions
It's her 6th year of dance
We're so proud of you keep up the good work.

"Thriller"
Won Lightening Gold



"Cops"
Won Gold



"The Beat GoesOn"
Won Gold



Love, Dad, Mom, Grampa, Gramma, & all your family

Happy 18th Birthday

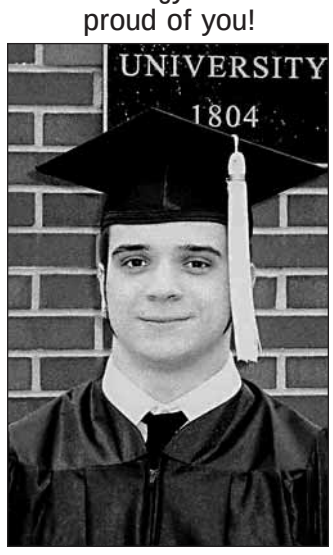
Our Precious Daughter
Marissa Yvette Huff
June 20th



All Our Love,
Parents: Patty and Steve Huff Brothers: Anthony and Brandon Nephew & Nieces:B. Anthony, Letitia and Mya Grandparents: Keith & Mary Zurfluh of Milwaukee and Helen Huff of Oneida, WI; Plus many Aunts, Uncles, cousins and friends.
God Bless You Ress

Congratulations

Spencer Metoxen
on receiving your Bachelors Degree in Arts and Science from Ohio University. Majoring in Psychology and Criminology. We are proud of you!



From, Mom, Dad,
Monty, Nanny, Papa
and Uncle Jim

Congratulations

Bob Bachhuber
Congratulations on your recent graduation from Lakeland College with a double major in Computer Science and Business Administration!



I am very, very
proud of you!!
Your Mother-In-Law

Reminder from the Enrollment Department regarding… 2006 Membership Distribution

- Oneida members enrolled before February 28, 2006 and age 18 before September 1, 2006 are eligible. Eligible minors will have their payment placed in a Trust Account.
- **FY-2006 Membership Payment Forms were mailed on May 12, 2006 to each eligible tribal member who had an address on file.**
- It is the responsibility of each tribal member to submit a completed/notarized payment form to the Oneida Enrollment Department by the deadline identified EACH PAYMENT YEAR.
- **The deadline to submit an FY-2006 Membership Payment Form is close of business on Friday, September 1, 2006.**
- Please contact the Oneida Enrollment Department for any check address, income tax withholding request or name changes.
- **The FY-2006 Membership Distribution will be mailed on MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2006. PLEASE ALLOW TIME FOR DELIVERY.**
- No photocopied, faxed, or emailed forms will be accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- **Do not use pencil or white out. Do not alter or change any information (i.e. writing over, scribbling out). Your form will not be accepted!**

After forms are accepted and processed, a postcard receipt will be mailed to the CHECK address indicated on the payment form. Postcard receipts will be mailed every two weeks. Please allow time for delivery. If you have submitted a payment form and do not receive a postcard receipt at the check address indicated on the payment form, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department at: (800) 571-9902 or (920) 869-2083.

The Oneida Enrollment Department is searching for members that have not claimed the FY-2005 Membership Payment. The deadline for claiming these payments is close of business on Friday, September 1, 2006. Thank You.

Important Dates:
Deadline to submit payment forms:

Close of Business on Friday, September 1, 2006

Checks mailed on: Monday, October 2, 2006

Please allow time for delivery

July events calender

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

"Tell your friends about our friends!"

Junior Duck Stamp Traveling Art Display
July 1 through July 29
Winners of the 2006 Wisconsin Federal Junior Duck Stamp Art contest are on display at the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, located on the first floor of the of the Sanctuary's Nature Center. Throughout 2006, the art display will travel to different Nature Centers throughout Wisconsin. Admission is free to view the display. For more information, call **(920) 391-3671.**

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Hipptiy Hop: Fun with Frogs and Toads
Monday, July 3 at 10am and again Monday, July 17 at 1pm.
Children and theis families can learn about frogs and toads during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the short stories "Jump Frog Jump," by Robert Kalan and "Hoppy the Toad," by Jane Burton. After te stories, participants will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2.00 per resident or Friends member and $3.00 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671**.

Nature Nuts Sprouts: Enlightening Aspiring Naturalists
Monday through Thursday, July 17 to 20 from 9am to 11:30am
Geared for children 9-12 years old, Nature Nuts Sprouts offers hands-on training experience for the aspiring naturalist. Experiments and mini-programs will feature plants, trees and animals. Pre-registration is required. Cost is $30.00 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $45.00 per non-resident. For more information call **(920) 391-3671.**

Master Hunters of the Sky: Live Birds of Prey Program
Thursday, July 27 at 2pm
Learn about the majesticbirds if prey in Wisconsin during Master Hunters of the Sky at the Sanctuary. Naturalist Kim Dietrich will explain what makes these birds such great hunters. Don't forget to bring your camera. Weather permitting. No registration is required. For more information, call **(920) 391-3671.**

Visit the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary web-site at:
www.baybeachwildlife.com

To our readers…
"Good News" submissions mailed in without payment will **NOT** be published. **Payment** for "Good News" wishes **MUST BE** made at time of submission. Please review the following price options:

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Call *kalihwisak's* Toll Free at:
1.800.236.2214
• Dawn–ext. 4277 • Steve–ext. 4279 •
• Yvonne–ext. 4280

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NEXT DEADLINE
is…**Wednesday**
June 28th, 2006 @
4:30 P.M. with a
PUBLISH DATE
of…**Friday,**
July 7th, 2006

Questions, please call: **920-869-4277**, **869-4279 or 869-4280**

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Board Vacancies

Oneida Housing Authority (OHA):
One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:
1. A board member may be a member or non-member of the Tribe.
2. No person shall be barred from serving on the Board because he/she is a tenant or homebuyer in a housing project of the Authority
3. Term of office will be remainder of term ending June 10, 2009.

Purpose:
The Oneida Housing Authority shall be organized and operated for the purposes:
1.Remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals;
2.Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for person of low income;
3.Providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement extension, alteration or repair and operation of low income dwellings.

Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/26/06.

Board Vacancies

Oneida Seven Generations Corporation:
One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:
1. All board members must have at least five (5) years experience in one (1) or more of the following areas; real estate, commercial development, business management, risk management, finance, tribal government or accounting.
2. The majority of the members must be voting members of the General Tribal Council, the amount of non-Oneida board members will not exceed two (2).
3. The term of office will be five (5) years with the exception of the non-Oneida board member who are limited to one (1) five (5) year term.

Deadline date for receipt of applications of 6/26/06.

For Rent

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Starting in July
Call: 869-4620 or 869-1139

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Call for details Mon. – Fri. 7 AM – 3PM
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B&B Metals
JUNE CUSTOMER ~APPRECIATION~

B&B Metals is offering a free T–shirt to anyone bringing in metal for the **Month of June Only.**

One per person.

A customer with a Lugger Box bring in your receipt and receive a free T-shirt. Drivers will not deliver.

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They are Goliath

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Recka & Joannes
Howard

Atty. Jim Joannes
435-8159

Notice

Project Description:
A draft environmental assessment (EA) has been prepared regarding this proposed action in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The draft EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters.

Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.

Need for Project: The former Linsmeyer property contains headwaters from the South Branch of the Suamico River and from Trout Creek. Restoration of the proposed wetland will have an overall effect favorable for hydrologic, habitat and biochemical functions in the area. Recreational, cultural and educational values for the Oneida community will be enhanced from restoration of this wetland on the Oneida Reservation since both waterways flow through extensive parts of the Oneida Reservation. This project will help to ensure that water quality in these two streams is improved, allowing them to provide habitat for trout and other sought after fish species. Tribal members will benefit from this improved water quality when participating in recreational or other downstream activities. In addition, this area of 524.9 acres of breeding habitat for waterfowl and upland game will be available for Tribal members to hunt, hike, photograph, gather and recreate.

Notice

Alternatives: The PREFERRED alternative will be to construct a diverse wetland complex with uplands and lowlands, pools, nesting islands and planting native vegetation. A large berm will be constructed in the south ditch to retard water and allow for slow release. The ditched tributaries to the South Branch of the Suamico River will be cleaned. This restoration will increase the size of the largest wooded wetland complex on the Oneida Reservation. Large blocks of contiguous habitat with travel corridors help to engender genetic diversity by allowing for larger species populations access to distant habitat blocks.

The NO-ACTION alternative does not move the Tribe forward with its goal of restoring wetlands or assisting with preserving and enhancing the Tribal culture. No action would result in a continued degradation of the environment including surface and ground water resources. A third alternative was evaluated; to use the site for a proposed lake. This alternative is not well suited for the site due to location and natural features of the site.

Comments & Availability: Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents from the above address. Comments regarding the proposed action may also be submitted within 30 days of the date of this NOA. Contact Bill Koonz at (920) 495-5350 or write Oneida Environmental Quality Department, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 or Nick Domer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Old Fort Square, 211 North Broadway, Suite 211, Green Bay, WI 54303 or (920) 448-2824 for additional information.

ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION
Original Hearing Body
Notice of Probate
RE: 06-TC-063

In the Matter of the Estate of Katherine Jourdan, Deceased.

The estate of deceased Katherine Jourdan, who is an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation, has entered into probate before a hearing body of the Oneida Appeals Commission. A hearing shall take place on August 1, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. for all heirs and parties-in-interest to the estate, at the Commission office: located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite #1, 3759 W. Mason St, Oneida, WI 54155.

Inquiries for additional information may be directed to: **Administrator/Clerk**
Oneida Appeals Commission
Box 19 Oneida, WI 54155
(920) 497-5800

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Questions, please call: **920-869-4277, 869-4279 or 869-4280**

Legal Notice

Oneida Appeals Commission
Original Hearing Body
Notice of judgements Granted

Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin vs Various Individuals

A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by the Oneida Tribe for judgement against them. Notices were returned by U.S. Post Office as unclaimed, unknown or no forwarding address.

March 2, 2006
Webster, Jacqueline Kay; Cornelius, Gloria; Skenandore, Eugene; Calkins-VanStraten, Kelley; Zielinski, Theresa; Doxtator, Tracy; Dallas, Linda; Migel, Rositta M.

April 13, 2006
Butler, Mildred; Summers-Cornelius, Julie; Doxtator, Dennis Sr.; Hill, Michelle; Schuyler, Quinton; Salzman, Thomas

Hearings were held on the date stated, for all parties listed, at the Commission office; located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite 1; 3759 W. Mason St.; Oneida WI 54155

For specific questions about this judgement, settlement or payment arrangements, please contact Diana Westcott, Accounting Department at (920) 490-3556. If you have questions on the process, feel free to contact the Clerk or Administrator, Oneida Appeals Commission office at (920) 497-5800

Legal Notice

Setting Time and Notice to Creditors:
Request for information.

The following estates are being prepared for probate by the Unites States Department of the Interior and/or the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Appeals Commission, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

All creditor claims must be filed on or before July 18, 2006.

Alfred Gordon Hill
DOB 05/06/1944
DOD 12/24/1994

Send all creditors' claims and information relating to the decedent to the following address:

Tina L Figueroa
Probate Clerk
Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Division of Land Management
PO Box 365
Oneida WI 54155
Dated 06/06/2006

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Amendment to the Oneida Small Business Project 2000 which would fix the interest rate charged to Tribal members under the Oneida Small Business Project 2000 at 5%.

When: July 25, 2006
Where: Our Lady of Charity (OLC) Chapel
Time: 11:30AM

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this law are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Pardons - A pardon is a formal and public act of forgiveness of a crime. the pardon is available to tribal members only and is effective within the Oneida Tribal employment system only.

When: Monday, June 26, 2006
Where: Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 9:30AM

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this law are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose:Adoption of a Judiciary law which would establish a Tribal court system.

When: July 25, 2006
Where: Our Lady of Charity (OLC) Chapel
Times: 11:30AM

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Termination of Appointment Amendments to the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions the Code of Ethics and the Conflict of Interest Policy to allow for the termination of an appointment by the Oneida Business Committee because the recently adopted Removal Law only addressed elected officials

When: July 25, 2006
Where: Our Lady of Charity (OLC) Chapel
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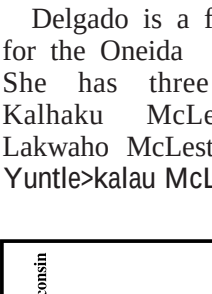


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Delgado temps for Kalihwisaks

Cathy Delgado is helping out the Kalihwisaks this summer as an emergency temporary photographer/reporter.



Delgado graduated from Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado with a major in English and a minor in mass communication.

Delgado dove in to her reporting duties head first as she went on assignment in Denver, Colorado to cover the Indigenous Games July 2-8th. You can see an update on page 8A with more to come upon her return back home.

"I am really thrilled to write for the paper," said Delgado, "I really enjoy this kind of work."

Delgado is a faith keeper for the Oneida Longhouse. She has three children; Kalhaku McLester, 19, Lakwaho McLester, 16 and Yuntle>kalau McLester, 14.

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Small businesses get low rate

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

While the interest rates have been climbing steadily nation wide, The Oneida Business Committee (OBC) decided to reverse the trend for Oneida owned small business.

Three weeks ago, members of the OBC passed an emergency adoption to freeze the interest rate for loans made through the Oneida Small Business Project at five percent.

"It's probably the best small business rate that anyone can get in the state, in the country," said OBC Councilman Vince DelaRosa. Most interest rates for small business loans start at eight to thirteen percent.

Owners of Bear Paw Keepsakes, Stan and Loretta Webster, currently have a loan through the program at Bay Bank in Oneida.

"This will certainly help on the monthly bills that we have to pay," said Loretta as she took a break from setting out T-shirts at her stand at the Oneida Pow Wow.

The couple has been in business for a year-and-a-half selling Native American artwork.

"I think that there's a lot of businesses, including us, that could probably use this loan, because there's so much more you would like to do." said Stan.

The Oneida Small Business Project was created to help encourage more tribal members to open and expand their own businesses.

"What we've done with the Small Business Project is, first of all, we crafted a very small owner equity up front requirement. Normally an bank would want over 20%,

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34 years of Honored Tradition





Kali photos/Julia Skenandore(above)&Dawn Walschinski(right)

Oneida celebrated 34 years of pow wow tradition June 30-July 2. Community members reunited with relatives and friends from near and far at the Norbert Hill Center Pow Wow Grounds. People enjoyed the sounds of the drums, the smell of the fry bread and the taste of Indian tacos.

It was a feast for the eyes as well with dancers of all ages in beautiful outfits. The old drum pavilion was removed to create a more open dancing area and additional seating on risers were added for more visibility.

Top: Members of the Oneida Veterans bring in the feather staffs for grand entry on Friday evening, June 30.

Right: Fancy dancer Rick Cleveland, Jr. show his moves during an intertribal song. Check out more photos on pages 4B and 5B.

Doyle's hiring of lawyer to negotiate compacts questioned

MADISON, Wis. (AP) – Gov. Jim Doyle's hiring of an attorney to negotiate casino agreements with Indian tribes three weeks after he took office has been questioned by the administrator of legal services for Wisconsin Attorney General Peg Lautenschlager.

Michael Bauer said the law, in his view, requires the governor to ask the attorney general for legal help before hiring an outside lawyer. Bauer said Lautenschlager would have gladly helped negotiate the deals.

State law states the governor can hire an attorney to "assist" the attorney general if he believes it is in the public interest. It does not explicitly say he must get her approval, but it does say he can replace the attorney general in limited circumstances, such as when there is a conflict of interest.

Doyle hired Milwaukee attorney William Jennaro shortly after taking office, and the state Supreme Court ruled 11/2 years later that the governor did not have the authority to sign the sweeping compacts Jennaro helped negotiate.

The governor said recently he had the authority to hire Jennaro.

Doyle aide Dan Leistikow noted that then-Gov. Tommy Thompson hired Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr in 1995 to represent the state in a court case on school vouchers over the objections of Doyle, who was then attorney general.

Stan Davis, who served as Doyle's chief legal counsel when the governor was elected, said Assistant Attorney General John Greene urged him to start negotiations promptly because some tribal compacts were about to expire and because of the issues raised in a lawsuit filed by Dairyland Greyhound Park.

In that lawsuit, still pending before the state Supreme Court, the Kenosha dog track argues Indian casinos are operating illegally because of

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USDA volunteers help build America's Dream

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwiskas

Volunteers wearing burgundy T-shirts buzzed around the construction site of Tammy Metoxen's house on South Overland in Oneida putting in windows and a patio door.

They were from the state office of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development commemorating Home Ownership Month on Wednesday, June 28th and making the connection between their office work and the end product.

"Often times you're sitting in an office behind a desk pushing paper, and it's a real rewarding experience for the employees, primarily of the housing section, to actually see what benefit they're doing back at the office," said Peter Kohnen, Housing Program Director for Rural Development in Wisconsin.

Metoxen is building the three bedroom house with a loan from America's Dream, Inc. which is funded by a grant through the USDA Rural Development. As part of the low interest loan, Metoxen puts in 65% "sweat equity" or about 30 hours a week working on constructing the new home in lieu of a down payment.

"I'm a single mom with three kids, and just wouldn't be able to come up with the down payment. This is something that I would never be able to do without this program." said Metoxen.

Housing Assistant for Rural Development Sandy Braun traveled from the

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Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

America's Dream, Inc. has three houses in development in this area on South Overland Road.

Local

Federal Veterans Affairs Laptop Computer Recovered

(MADISON) – The government has recovered the stolen laptop computer containing sensitive data for up to 26.5 million veterans and military personnel.

The announcement was made just before the start of a Congressional hearing as part of a series of hearings about the VA breach in security.

Nicholson said the FBI is ascertaining whether or not data was copied or otherwise downloaded. However, Nicholson said, "There is reason to be optimistic," he told reporters. Nicholson said there have been no reports of identity theft since the May 3, 2006 burglary at the Maryland home of an agency employee who took home a laptop computer with the data, in violation of work rules. "It's a very positive note in this very tragic incident."

"The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs has remained vigilant in monitoring the situation," said department Secretary John A. Scocos. "We had immediately notified the Wisconsin veterans community about the situation when the initial news about the VA theft was first announced. Our web site provides information about the federal VA data theft loss, as well as how veterans can monitor their credit reports and stay updated on this issue."

Information can be found at: **www.dva.state.wi.us** and click on VA Data Loss.

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we're well under 20% for owner equity start up," said DelaRosa.

Less money to the bank means more money for the business.

"It means they're going to have reduced costs in terms of their loan obligations for capital improvements or equipment or what have you. It's going to mean that they're going to have a reduced impact on their business pocketbooks." said DelaRosa.

The Oneida Small Business Project is open to tribal members with small businesses in Wisconsin. There will be a public hearing July 25th on the amendment at 11:30 pm at Our Lady of Charity Chapel, 2640 West Point Road in Green Bay.

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a state constitutional amendment limiting gambling. The court will have an opportunity to reaffirm or roll back its decision on the governor's authority to sign the compacts when it issues its decision in the Dairyland case.

Davis said state law does not require the governor to get approval from the attorney general to hire a lawyer.

Sean Dilweg, the Department of Administration executive assistant who helped negotiate the deals, said "it's common courtesy to have the attorney general sign off on these things. (But) it's clear under state law the governor can make the decision if it's in the public interest."

However, Bauer insists the attorney general must be consulted.

"If the governor or any agency wants to go outside for counsel, the first place they have to go is the Department of Justice," he said, adding that Doyle has followed that procedure in all other cases.

Business Committee has temporarily relocated

Dear General Tribal Council Members:

The Oneida Business Committee and Legislative Reference Office have temporarily relocated their offices this past week (Wednesday, July 5 – 7, 2006) due to asbestos removal. Day to day operations were temporarily delayed during this time.

The new location will be… Social Services Building
2640 West Point Road
Green Bay, WI 54313

On Monday, July 10, all offices are expected to be operational.

Tentative return date to the Norbert Hill Center is **October 16, 2006.**

Kathy Metoxen of the BC Administration office will be the contact person during the move at (920) 869-4364. She will ensure all information is forwarded.

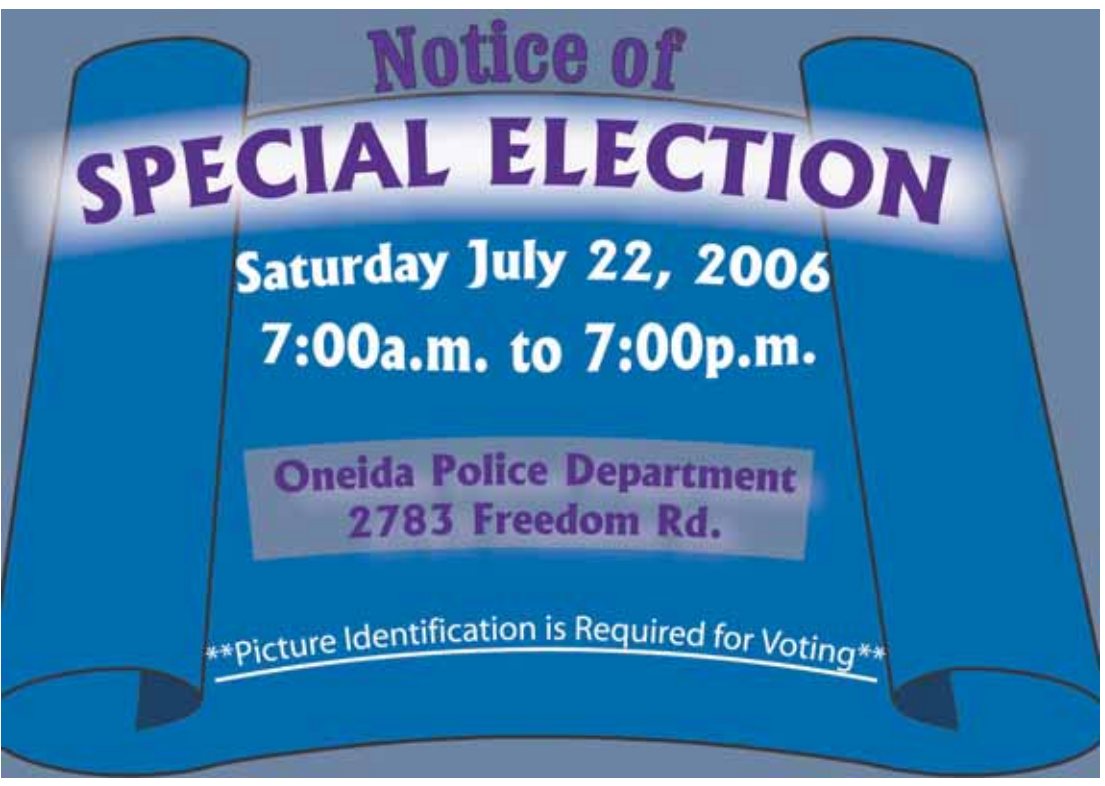
All the phone numbers will remain the same for all the Business Committee, Legislative Reference Office & staff members. You may continue to use the 1-800-236-2214, number to reach the Business Committee as well.

All Regular Business Committee Meetings after July 5 — Tribal members, employees, visitors — Please use the MAIN entry door at the Social Services Building.

This is located in the center of the building from West Point. You will need to check in through the main office and exit through that same area. All regular meetings after July 5th will be held at the Social Services Building in the "Green Room."

For any further inquiries on this move, please contact, **Paula King Dessart** at **(920) 869-4362 (pogi@oneidanation.org),** or **Lisa Summers**, **(920) 869-4478**, **(lsummer2@oneidanation.org)**

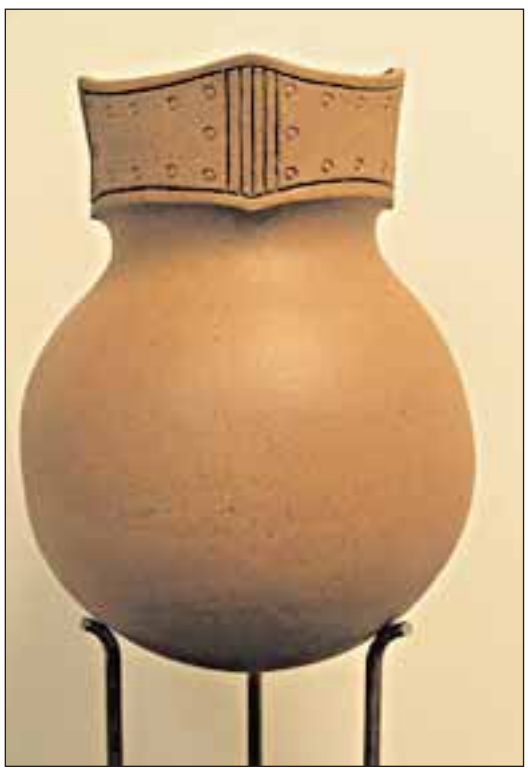
Thank you for your patience.
Oneida Business Committee



Artisans at Bear Paw Art Gallery



Top: First place winner "Three Sisters" by Mark Fisher. Below: Second place winner "Responsibilites of Men" by Brenda John.



Photos courtesy of Loretta Webster



Above: Third prize winner Raised Bead Work by Rebecca Webster.

Special to Kalihwisaks

An Art show reception was held at the Bear Paw Art Gallery, 2667 W. Mason St., Green Bay on Father's Day. All entries were created by Oneida tribal members, and will be on display until July 18th "or until they're sold" said Loretta Webster.

Mark Fisher. took first place honors with 'Three Sisters' a metal sculpture with deer hide and antique trade beads. Brenda John placed second with an Orange Stone pot entitled 'Responsibilities of Men'. Rebecca Webster rounded out the top three with a beautiful set of raised beadwork – uniquely hers – which she completed within the last year. She attended monthly raised beadwork classes at the Gallery in order to finish the set. Monetary prizes were provided by Bear Paw Keepsakes, $150, $100, and $50 respectively. Two $25 Honorable Mention prizes were also awarded to Leonard Cornelius for 'Oak Snapper' and Brenda John for 'Thanksgiving' the Singing Pot .

Judges for the event were Judy Jourdan, Rod Hill and Stan Webster.

Bear Paw owners, Stan and Loretta Webster, plan to have a second art show next year and say they appreciate the many people who provided support and information for the first show. You're invited to view and purchase the winning pieces as well as numerous other unique Native artwork at their new location, 2667 W. Mason St., Green Bay.

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Local

Scenario tests Emergency Operations Plan Workshop

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

Image this, Orders are shouted out by a mom, "Grab the emergency back pack, and get under the stairs!" She just heard a tornado has just touched down southwest of the Oneida Reservation and is heading towards her home. Under the stairs is the safest place in her house where there are no windows. The sirens at the Oneida One Stop are going off and she knows a tornado is heading in her direction.

Dan King, Safety Coordinator for the Oneida Tribe said, "The emergency back pack is just one of the things that families need to have in their house."

A tornado is just an example of an emergency disaster. This is considered only part of an emergency operations plan for a family. King also said, "Families have to be prepared to take care of themselves for up to 72 hours in case help can't get to them right away." Some of the things in an emergency back pack should include water, first aid kit, water proof matches, nutritional energy bars, flash light, batteries, poncho, toiletries, etc.

Since the attack on the Twin Towers, incident has heightened the awareness and safety of the Oneida Reservation and even more so after Hurricane Katrina.

The Emergency Operations Plan Workshop was the topic of discussion when it came to the protection of the Oneida Nation on June 27, 2006. This training was provided by Dan King, Safety Coordinator for the Oneida Nation.

Mercie Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Business Committee Members, William Gollnick Chief of Staff, for the Oneida Nation along with many other upper management employees such as Geraldine Danforth, Human Resources Director, Neil Cornelius, Gaming Manager attended this training to learn about how to best serve the Oneida Reservation in case of an emergency like a tornado, hazardous chemical spill or when there's an emergency and your emergency help is not available, who is in charge.

Twelve years ago the Tribe put in place an emergency plan and after the 9/11 attack, Hurricane Katrina and some heavy wind damage last fall on the Oneida reservation the Business Committee wanted to improve on the emergency operations plan, said King.

An Emergency Management Manager position is soon to be filled and will report to the Chief of Staff. "There is a lot of work in coordinating services for the reservation because the reservation is located in both Outagamie and Brown County." said Gollnick. "We have to use all the resources efficiently."

There is currently an Emergency Operations Committee consisting of twelve members with key departments and volunteer community people. Key departments include Law Enforcement, Tribal Government, Social Services, Fire Department, Utilities, Shelter Coordinator and a Public Information Officer. The Emergency Management Manager would coordinate services for the Oneida Reservation and coordinate assistance received from both counties. One of the issues that need to be addressed is, "Team members have to pursue clarification if the Tribe has ability to declare an emergency." said Gollnick.

Brown and Outagamie County and the City of Green Bay all have emergency plans in place.

Retired Deputy Chief of Police for the City of Green Bay James Taylor is a nine year volunteer on the Emergency Planning Committee. "We'll have a plan to save lives, preserve life in case of an emergency disaster." he said.

A Special Thanks

The family of David C. "Joker" Moore would like to take this time to thank all his friends who gave their heartfelt condolences and were there for us while we mourned the loss of our father, grandfather, great grandfather and best friend.

We would like to thank all who donated food, drink, firewood, plants and flowers, etc.

Thank You to those who helped in the kitchen preparing, serving and cleaning up before and after the meals. Thanks to Father Dewey Silas, Deacon Edmund Powless and the Oneida Singers for the memorable service.

A special thanks to Oneida V.F.W. post 7784 for the beautiful military honors service at the cemetery.

In Loving Memory of...

Joshua Webster

Who would have been 26 on June 26, 2006

Happy Birthday Josha



Our hearts still ache in sadness and tears still flow…

I Love You and Miss You!
Love, Grandma King

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Jennifer Webster



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EXPERIENCE

- Knowledge of Oneida Court System and Tribal Laws
- Experience in developing By-laws and Policies + Procedures
- Informed member of Oneida Community
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- Successful Business owner "Web's Kustom Touch Auto Body"

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- Travelers World Omega - Certificate Program -Travel Agent Series
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- University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh - Certificate Program - Essentials of Management Oneida Tribal Management Program
- Certificate Training - Tribal Court Seminar
- Certificate Training - Conducting Fair Hearings, Due Process, Ex parte Communication
- Certificate Training-Roberts Rules of Order
- Certificate Training-Public Law 280 Jurisdiction in Indian Country

BACKGROUND

- Family: Husband Don Webster, Son's, Marcus & Zack, daughter Olivia
- Parents: Lee Gordon and Betty McLester
- Grandparents: Lee (deceased) and Pearl McLester, Ted and Mamie Benson (deceased)

Authorized and paid for by Jennifer Webster

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state office in Stevens Point to help out.

"I kind of like doing handyman stuff, so I thought it would be a good opportunity to come help somebody build a house," she said.

As a new home owner, she understands the work involved in owning a house.

"I have never put in windows before, so it's been kind of a learning experience."

The grant for America's Dream was developed to encourage home ownership in rural areas with populations under 20,000, especially amongst those with low incomes and minorities.

"The family develops pride in building their own home, they learn some skills and hopefully it will result in more successful home ownership." said Kohnen.

"It's hard work, very hard work, but it's worth it." said Metoxen.

The six-month-old America's Dream, Inc. is currently constructing four houses in Oneida and a fifth house in Black Creek. The houses are valued at $172,000 or less, depending on the participant's ability to repay the loan.

Metoxen and her sons may be able to move into their new home in August.

"To actually look at it and say, wow, look at what I accomplished and what I can actually look at and see it's mine, finally, something that's worth putting all this work in for." said Metoxen.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Executive Director of America's Dream, Inc. Alan King at **920-833-9457.**

Passing On

Webster, Arthur "Archie"

Aug. 3, 1934 – June 27, 2006

Arthur "Archie" Webster, 71, Oneida, passed away peacefully with his wife, children and grandchildren by his bedside on Tuesday, June 27, 2006. Art was born on Aug. 3, 1934, to the late Josephine (Wheelock) and Arthur Oliver Webster Sr. He was united in marriage to Rita R. Schuyler on Sept. 3, 1955, at the Oneida Methodist Church. They recently celebrated their 50th anniversary together. Art worked his entire life at U.S. Paper Mill, De Pere, and retired after 43 years of service. He was a graduate of West De Pere High School. Arthur was baptized and confirmed at the Oneida United Methodist Church and a member of the Oneida United Methodist Men's Club.

Art had a passion for singing - he had a song to sing for every occasion. He was always cheerful and he had a very good sense of humor. His laughter just filled his home with love. He loved to cook and inspired his children to have food stands at community events called "Archie's Weekend Warriors." His greatest enjoyment came from spending time with his family and taking care of his birds in the backyard.

He is survived by his wife, Rita; their 11 children, John (Rosalind) Webster, Julie (Brian) Denny, Melvin (Lori) Webster, Jeannie Webster, Janet (David) Danforth, Joannie (Steve) Ventura, Jackie Webster and Joe King, Karl Webster and Donna Hill, Judy Webster, Jeff (Carol) Webster, Bill Webster and Bridget John. He is further survived by his seven brothers and sisters, Martin Webster, Marie Scott, Irvin (Bunny) Webster, Donald (Alma) Webster, Shirley Blum, Clifford (Wanda) Webster, and Audrey Webster. Arthur has 33 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; many brother and sister-in-laws, Pearl McLester, Eva Danforth, Mary (Nick) Metoxen, Barbara (Donald) Denny, Evelyn Elm, Harriet (Warren) Reiter, Cleo (Wayne) Cornelius; also many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Webster; and two grandchildren, Joshua Webster and Imaeshia Crumble; also his mother and father-in-law, Hattie and James Schuyler; his brother-in-laws, Lester and Joseph Schuyler, Lee McLester, and Lesley Danforth.

The visitation for Arthur will be held on Friday, June 30, 2006, at the Oneida United Methodist Church, beginning at 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., with the Oneida Singers at 6:30 p.m., and prayer service at 7 p.m. The funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2006, at the church, with visitation from 9 a.m. until the time of services at 11 a.m., with the Rev. Julio A. Alvarado officiating. The burial will be in the Oneida Methodist Cemetery. The Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, Seymour, is assisting the family. Online condolences may be expressed at www.boettcherfuneralhomes.com.

The family wishes to express a very special thank you to the St. Vincent Dialysis Center, St. Vincent Hospital nursing staff, Unity Hospice, Dr. Ali Mardan and nurse, Debbie; Dr. Anupama Verma, and Arthur's special neighbors, the Al Bain family.

Donations appreciated and can be dropped off at the Methodist Church.

Charles, Wilson D. "Buster"

April 4, 1908 – June 6, 2006

Wilson D. Charles "Buster" 98, passed away at home in Phoenix, Arizona. Buster was born April 4, 1908 in DePere, Wisconsin. He attended schools in Tomah, Flandreau, Haskell, and then University of New Mexico.

Buster was preceded in death by his wife of 72 years, Nola on May 29, 2006. Buster, a member of the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin was a Grandson of Sophie Metoxen and Julius Charles, son of Wilson B. Charles and Elizabeth Knudsen Charles. Buster is survived by one sister, Edna Charles Gillette of Scottsdale, Arizona, one niece Elizabeth Gillette Leach (Kent) and one nephew, Wilson Gillette of Casa Grande, Arizona.

Buster and Nola are survived by three daughters, Nola Dee Lodge Hurford (Andy) of Murray, Utah. Michelle Walls and Melinda Hicks of Phoenix, Arizona. One son, Jim Charles (Ambie) of Camp Verde, Arizona.

They leave 13 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren, and many relatives and friends in the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin. Buster proudly brought honor and fame to the Oneida Tribe throughout his years in school and life. He was the AAU National Decathlon Champion in 1931. After severe injuries and broken back playing football for the University of Mexico in 1931, Buster competed in the Los Angeles Olympics in 1932. After leading for two days his finishing total placed him 4th.

Buster was a certified civil engineer having worked for the Bureau of Reclamation, New Mexico State Highway Dept., U.S. Army Engineers, and Benham Engineering of Oklahoma City and Phoenix. Buster retired in the early 1980's and then Nola and him enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing, and travel. He particularly enjoyed Haskell reunions at Lawrence, Kansas and Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Buster and Nola's Memorial celebrating their love and lives, well-lived was held July 8th at A.L. Moare Grimshaw Chapel, Phoenix, Arizona. Respecting their wishes Buster and Nola were cremated and their ashes will be scattered at their favorite camping site on the Mogallon Rim of Arizona.

May They Walk In Beauty

Local

Sample Ballot of 2006 Special Election

ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN
JULY 22, 2006
2006 SPECIAL ELECTION BALLOT

APPEALS COMMISSION
Choose Four (4)

Janice Skenandore-McLester
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Ronda L. Skenandore
Anita Barber
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Gary Jordan
Jennifer Webster
Julie Barton
Pamela Harms
Rochelle A. Powless
Beverly Jean Skenandore

GAMING COMMISSION
Choose One (1)

Julie Barton
Stanley Webster
Pamela Harms
Rochelle A. Powless

LAND COMMISSION
Choose Seven (7)

Beverly A. Skenandore
Arlene Danforth
Carolyn Miller (Skenandore)
Ron Hill Jr. "Tehassi"
Amelia Cornelius
Judy Cornelius
Lisa (Oudenhoven) Summers
Wendell W. Mclester
David A. Webster
Corinna Charles
James "Jim" Martin
Rochelle A. Powless
Patricia A. Cornelius
Terry J. Thompson-Hetzel
Dorothy A. Skenandore
Cathy L. Metoxen
Linda S. Dallas

ONEIDA NATION COMMISSION ON AGING (ONCOA)
Choose Three (3)

Dellora R. Cornelius
Warren Skenadore
Vera D. Wilson
Rochelle A. Powless
Josephine (Jo) Oudenhoven
Donald D. McLester
Jacqueline R. Thomas

LAND CLAIMS COMMISSION
Choose Two (2)

Gina Powless Buenrostro
Wendell W. McLester
Loretta V. Metoxen
Leyne Orosco
Hugh Danforth

ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD
Parent Position
Choose Two (2)

Stacey Nieto
Ron Hill Jr. "Tehassi"

TRUST COMMITTEE
Choose Three (3)

Gina Powless Buenrostro
Arlene Danforth
Carol (Caroline) Smith
Carole Liggins
Dellora R. Cornelius
Shirley Barber
Josephine (Jo) Oudenhoven
David A. Webster
Barbara J. Cornelius
Lois Metoxen Strong
Loretta V. Metoxen

ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD
At Large Position
Choose Two (2)

Linda Mercier
James "Jim" Martin

DRAFT

Referendum Question

The Trust-Enrollment Committee requests your approval for the development of a separation plan. The Plan would require the General Tribal Council's ratification. Since 1974, the functions of the Trust-Enrollment Committee have grown in complexity and scope. The Committee addresses issues on trust fund investment responsibilities with the Trust Department, and administers all Tribal enrollment responsibilities with the Enrollment Department. Each Department has it's own focus separate from each. To better meet the growing needs of the Oneida Nation, the Trust Department, the Enrollment Department, and the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee recommend creating two (2) separate committees. The two Committees would still remain under the direct authority of the General Tribal Council.

I approve of the development of a Plan to separate the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee.

Yes **No**

Standing Stone Design named Business of Year



Submitted photo

Above, Karl Lusis, President of Standing Stone Design proudly displays the recognition plaque his business received as Business of the Year by the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin.

Special to Kalihwisaks

Standing Stone Design is pleased to announce that we have been awarded the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin Business of the Year. Standing Stone Design, Inc. is an Indian-owned, architectural design firm that looks to provide quality architectural designs with a special emphasis on Indian communities. Standing Stone Design identifies design and construction opportunities in Indian Country and shares that information with other Native-owned businesses to work on the projects. Our desire to work in Indian Country and support other native businesses helps fulfill our mission of giving back to the Indian Community.

Karl Lusis, President of Standing Stone Design, became Wisconsin's first, and only, licensed American Indian in June of 2003. He is an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and is very active in supporting Indian communities throughout the Great Lakes region. Standing Stone Design brings a passion and understanding of Native people to each project and utilizes its talents to facilitate a teamwork environment. Standing Stone Design has worked on numerous projects in Indian country including, the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin's groundbreaking Age-In-Place facility, Museum and Town Homes, the Little River Band of Ottawa Casino, Bad River Nation Community Center and the Ho-Chunk Nation Rainbow Casino and Bingo Hall to name a few. Standing Stone Design has two employees Joel Doxtator an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and Jen Dudzek-Heidenreich. Please call Karl Lusis at **262-786-9723** with any further questions or visit our website: www.standingstonearch.com.



ATTENTION

Governmental Service Division

NO employee of the Governmental Services Division shall take time away from the duties and responsibilities of the position in which they were hired in order to serve on a Board, Commission or Committee during regular duties hours (7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) Monday – Friday.

Those employees who choose to do so must take Personal, Vacation Leave or use their lunch hour!

Calendar

EVENTS

July 14

Oneida Pendleton Blanket Unveiling
WHEN: July 14, 2006
PLACE: Oneida Smoke Shop – Isabell
There will be a limited number of blankets available and the first 250 numbered blankets will arrive in October of 2006. Pre-orders are being taken by Angela Moore at: **(920) 490-8000 x1906** or e-mail to: **amoore@oneidanation.org**

July 17

Audition Workshop
WHEN: July 17, 2006
TIME: Sign in - 5:15-5:30 Workshop - 5:30 - 7:45
PLACE: Green Bay Downtown Library
Anyone over age 18 welcome. Opportunity to read for director, work on voice and diction, and learn what directors are looking for. Stage presence (tips on how to audition)
920-660-2816 or byrnedb@earthlink.net

August 2

8th Annual Diabetes Event
WHEN: August 2, 2006
TIME: 4:30pm to 8:30 pm
PLACE: Lambeau Field Legends Room
Evening of good food, information and motivation to improve your health. Register for prizes including a Recumbent Bike and a Treadmill. Tickets Available at the Oneida Community Health Center. Diabetes Team office **(869-4864)** WIC/Nutrition office **(869-4829)**

August 4–5

18th Annual Burger Fest & 6th Annual Balloon Rally
WHEN: August 4-5, 2006
TIME: Various
PLACE: Downtown Seymour, Wisconsin
Hot air balloons fly at 6:00pm Friday and Saturday with a balloon glow, and then at 6:00am Saturday and Sunday.
Saturday, August 5th -World's Largest Hamburger Parade 11:00am Hamburger Press Weightlifting Contest, 1:00pm, 60lbs Mini-Burger served at 3:30pm.
Admission is $3 in advance and $6 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. Call **920-833-6688** for tix.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Comm. Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Notice

The Vacant seat for the **Gaming Commission** election to be held in July will be a **PART-TIME** position.

Local

You be the judge

Submitted by the Oneida Appeals Commission

To Oneida General Tribal Council Members:

On July 25, 2006, the Oneida Nation Legislative Operating Committee will hold a public hearing on pending tribal legislation to strengthen the Oneida Tribal Judicial System. The importance of this historic moment cannot be overstated: at the heart of sovereignty is the right of a people to resolve their own disputes in accordance with their values and laws. The pending Judiciary Law, if enacted, will strengthen our tribal sovereignty.

A nation's people express their values through their laws and judicial system. The current tribal judicial system is limited in the types of cases it hears. Many cases that could be heard in tribal court are heard in state court. Oneida members appear in state court, where state law is applied and administered by state judges. The state judicial system is not necessarily wrong, but it does not embody Oneida ways and values.

Oneida culture is important in all tribal matters, especially when addressing the future of the Tribe, our children. Ten out of eleven tribes in Wisconsin have courts set up to handle their own child abuse and neglect cases. The Oneida Tribe does not. Despite being a national and state leader in so many areas, the Oneida's judicial system is lagging. The enactment of this law will help correct this deficiency.

Through the law, we will be charting our own path as a people, and helping to preserve our culture. While there may be disagreement about the manner in which disputes should be resolved, a strong allegiance to sovereignty does not permit any reasonable objection to resolving those disputes ourselves. We are a sovereign nation with a right of self-government. The Judiciary Law will improve the tribal legal system and we encourage tribal members to participate in the public hearing on **July 25, 2006.**



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Back Row: Mary Adams, Anita Barber, Leland Wigg-Ninham, Robert Christjohn, Gerald Cornelius, Marjorie Stevens.Front Row: Jennifer Webster, Janice McLester, Winnifred Thomas, Dorothy Ninham, Lois Powless.

Peacemaking is sovereignty

The following is an excerpt from an assessment conducted by Tribal Judicial Institute. The Oneida Appeals Commission would like to share this information with our community.

This management review was performed under an agreement between the Oneida Appeals Commission and the Tribal Judicial Institute. The opinions expressed in this report are solely those of the Tribal Judicial Institute and the on-site review team members.

The Tribal Judicial Institute is a non-profit corporation organized to design and deliver education, research, training, and technical assistance programs which promote the improvement of justice in Indian country and the health, well-being, and culture of Native peoples.

To improve the quality of judicial services, tribal judicial systems should be reviewed periodically to determine the strengths and weaknesses of operations and procedures. We are pleased that we were selected to conduct the management review of the Oneida Appeals Commission.

We would like to thank the On-site Review Team members for the extensive time and effort they put into this review: Honorable Robert Grey Eagle, J.D. and Tahira Hashmi, J.D.

Conclusion of Report:

The operations of the Oneida Appeals Commission include tradition and culture which is an essential and political distinction characteristic of a bona fide sovereign nation. What's needed, at present, is to expand the sovereign characteristic of the Commission to a Court of General Jurisdiction. It is important for a sovereign nation to have its own system of laws covering an array of subject matters so as to display their own culture and traditions in their contemporary laws. Allowing a legal system outside of the nation's own culture and tradition erodes on the nation's culture and eventually its sovereignty.

The Oneida Appeals Commission is a true depiction of the best of both worlds in terms of Indians and non-Indian categories. The conventional Anglo-Saxon adversarial process in most non-Indian judicial systems may not be appropriate for resolving the conflicts existing between or among tribal members or even tribal members and non-members doing business or living within the jurisdiction of the Tribe. Additionally, having a winner and loser is not always conducive to fostering peace and harmony in a close-knit cultural society.

Traditional peacemaking through cultural methods and processes is a reflection of the classic win-win scenario. Our recommendation is that in addition to the existing process and procedures in place by the Commission, it should have the ability to order parties to attempt to resolve their differences through their inherent cultural methods. Expansion of methods like peacemaking and restorative justice techniques can be utilized in resolving disputes among tribal members.

At present, the Oneida Appeals Commission is prepared both through staffing and enabling and organic documentation to expand to a Court of General Jurisdiction. Constitutional Amendments, Ordinance Drafting and physical expansion of court building are needed for expanded subject matters that the Commission decides on. Traditional peacemaking methods for tribal dispute resolution can be explored and made part of the expanded court system. Similarly situated tribes with PL 280 governance may include the Prairie Island Indian Community of Minnesota and the Shakopee Mdewakanton Dakota (Sioux) Tribe of Minnesota.

LOC UPDATE

LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE — JULY 2006

MEET THE LOC

The LOC consists of the 5 Council member positions of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC):

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The members of the LOC serve 3 year terms consistent with the Tribal election of the OBC.

WWW.ONLOC.ONEIDANATION.ORG

The LOC website contains all of the Oneida Laws and includes:

- ★ LOC biographies
- ★ Oneida Tribal Constitution
- ★ Active Files List
- ★ LOC approved minutes
- ★ Public Hearing Notices
- ★ Policies

LOC ACTIVE FILES LIST

- ❑ APA (New)
- ❑ Back Pay Policy
- ❑ Child Protective Board Bylaws
- ❑ Education Code
- ❑ Election Law
- ❑ Election Law: Primary Elections for OBC Positions
- ❑ Emergency Services Ordinance
- ❑ Format for Laws
- ❑ Hall of Fame
- ❑ Higher Education
- ❑ Hunting, Fishing & Trapping
- ❑ Housing Ordinance
- ❑ Internal Security Issues
- ❑ Judiciary Act
- ❑ Labor Code
- ❑ Law Enforcement Ordinance
- ❑ LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)
- ❑ Legislative Procedures Act
- ❑ Military Service Employee Protection Act
- ❑ New York: Building Code
- ❑ New York: Plumbing Code
- ❑ Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance
- ❑ Oneida Passports
- ❑ Pardon Ordinance
- ❑ Per Capita Ordinance Amendments
- ❑ Preventative Health Care Bill
- ❑ Real Property Law
- ❑ Salary Structure
- ❑ SEOTS Bylaws
- ❑ Small Business
- ❑ Termination of Appointment
- ❑ Travel Policy
- ❑ Truancy Ordinance

Latest News

Emergency Adoption of Amendment to the Oneida Small Business Project 2000. On June 21, 2006, the Oneida Business Committee adopted an amendment to the Oneida Small Business Project 2000 Policies and Procedures which fixed the interest rate charged to Tribal members at 5% for business ventures.

Adoption of Amendments to the Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy and Procedures. On June 21, 2006, the Oneida Business Committee adopted amendments to the Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy and Procedures which included:

- ❑ An increase in the scholarship amount from $1,000 to $2,500 and removes the requirement that requests have to be "a resource of last resort." However, the amendments only allow a one-time ($2,500) scholarship.
- ❑ Allowing additional time to complete applications
- ❑ A provision that requires unexpended funds be reverted to the Education Endowment Fund.
- ❑ An amended appeal process.

Public Hearings

When: July 25, 2006
Where: Our Lady of Charity (OLC) Chapel
Time: 11:30AM

Adoption of a Judiciary law which would establish a Tribal court system.

Amendment to the Oneida Small Business Project 2000 which would fix the interest rate charged to Tribal members under the Oneida Small Business Project 2000 at 5%.

Adoption of Termination of Appointment Amendments to the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions, the Code of Ethics and the Conflict of Interest Policy to allow for the termination of an appointment by the Oneida Business Committee because the recently adopted Removal Law only addressed elected officials.

When: **August 8, 2006 11:30AM**
Where: **Our Lady of Charity (OLC) Chapel**

Amendments to the Emergency Services Ordinance so that an Emergency Management office can be implemented and have the "appropriate authority to enforce emergency management programs and practices."

LOC Member Spotlight - Paul Ninham



Councilman Paul Ninham was first elected to the Oneida Nation's nine member Business Committee in 1999 and re-elected in 2002 and 2005. Serving his third term as Councilman, Ninham is committed to continue his efforts to preserve and protect the sovereignty of the Oneida Nation.

In addition to his tribal government obligations, Paul focuses his efforts on the education and social upbringing of native youth, the environment, and the preservation of language and culture. He believes that native children are the future leaders and need love, nurturing and teachings by adults so they are able to lead our world into the future.

Councilman Ninham is the Vice-Chairman for the Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council, the EPA Region 5 representative to the National Tribal Operations Committee, and the Trustee for the Oneida Nation for the Fox River/Green Bay Natural Resource Damages. Councilman Ninham is also honored to serve on the Executive Board for the Native American Rights Fund and the Executive Board for the Board of Regents for Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas. Councilman Ninham has broadened his focus to some of the national issues impacting Indian country through his involvement with national Native American affiliations. Paul keeps himself abreast of Indian initiatives that may impact the Oneida Nation through proposed legislation both nationally and in Wisconsin.

He believes that in order to enjoy personal well-being, we must first concentrate on securing the health of the natural environment. Paul also feels that in order to sustain our culture, we must pay close attention to the language and the importance of it's restoration in the community. He believes that if we acknowledge all of these components, then we are living in a holistic world as we practice the Oneida Nation's Seven Generation philosophy. A philosophy that we not only take care of today's business, but also the business and citizenry of the Oneida Nation Seven Generations from now.

Paul is married to Jill and they have one daughter, Jamie. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education from Arizona State University and has completed additional course work at the University of New Mexico in Parks and Recreation Administration MA Program. Prior to being elected as a council member for the Oneida Nation, Paul held Recreation Director positions in Oneida, the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, NM, the Indian Community School in Milwaukee, WI, as well as, a Specialist position for the City of Durango in Colorado.

Councilman Paul Ninham holds the highest regards for Oneida culture; a great appreciation of all mediums of Indian art; and enjoys participating in all outdoor activities.

State/National

SEOTS *News*

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Saturday: 9AM–12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

SEOTS Mission… *Our mission is to provide for the well-being of* On=yote÷a=ka *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

SEOTS Staff

Mark Denning……..……*Director*
Anne Kreutzinger……*Administrative Asst.*
Carmen Flores……*Administrative Asst.*
Deb Ushakow……*Community Education Specialist*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS ***News*** once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us.

The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

Annual Seots Picnic and Pool party!

Theme is Oneida Colors, Purple and White. Wear purple and white clothes, be creative, use paints, sew, stencil etc. The most unique will win a prize! (One adult and one child) Bring your Swimming Suit, Pool will be open from 6 -7pm for Community Members use that are attending the Picnic. Life guards will be on duty and the pool is Ours for one hour! Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. (Pinata for children at 2:45, followed by contest judging, bingo, food and swimming.) Basketball, Volleyball, Pinata, Raffles, Entertainment and Bingo! Bring a dish to pass, lawn chairs, sports equipment, swim suits **Parents are responsible for their children and please no alcohol .** Be there or be square!

Date: Sunday, August 6th
Time: 2pm - 7pm
Place: McCarty Park, 8214 W. Cleveland, in the Pavilion

Language Class

(Note summer hours) No Saturday Classes Language Class Date: Monday, August 7, 14, 21 and 28th Time: 6 - 8pm Place: Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street **Volunteers needed for Indian Summer in September 8, 9 & 10th** Please call the Seots office at an early date and sign up. Call 414-384-7740.

Trip to Princeton Flea Market

Come along for a fun day at the Flea Market! Wear your walking shoes, money to spend for all the goodies you will want and a smile for the ride! And don't forget your jokes! We will leave early. Call to reserve your spot on the van! 414-384-7740

Date: Saturday, August 19
Time: Van leaves at 7:00am sharp!

Raised Beading Class

Raised beading class with Jim Kelly. Jim will do a basic raised beading class. You will have a finished piece of work when you are done with the two classes! There is no fee for this class. Date: Wednesday, August 23rd Time: 6:30 - 8pm

Green Corn Harvest and Soup Making in Oneida

Trip to Oneida to learn how to make green corn soup. Please call the office to reserve your spot on the van, 414-384-7740. Date and time are yet to be determined.Craft Class will continue in September Oneida Cultural Heritage -classes will resume in the fall **Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office** Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and information available to Veterans without an appointment once a month at SEOTS. Rodney is a counselor with the Vets Center. His specialty is working with war veterans and their families, although he will try to help any veteran with any questions they may have. The Vet's Center does with work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations in order to provide the best care for veterans. -- All Veteran's Are Welcome-- Date: Tuesday, August 1Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm Place: SEOTS



For Your Information - Sweat Lodge

Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call 383-7072 and ask for Dona..

Attention all Community Members

One of our young community members is in need of a "kidney transplant". Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. Its possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at (414)385-2550. Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who know's you may be a match?

Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Computer lab now available for use

Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Open lab every day and Saturday 9 - 12pm.

Veterans

Support Our Veterans! Veterans have served our county since the Revolutionary War. They are also requesting that we support our Veterans where ever they are serving. The contact person for the Color Guard is Leon House (414)543-1622. **We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans. Keep up the good work!**

MAIRN Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network Meeting

If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information about our community, such as: contacts, what's happening in Indian country regarding health, community education, and other important issues that affect our community. Guest speakers will present topics of interest and will share their resources that are available for the community. This is a must for area Indian agencies and businesses. Date: August 30th Time : 12:00-2:00pm Place: Next Meeting will be held at "The Gathering Place" at the Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street , alternate place will be Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street. **Notices will be sent to members** (Others interested please call 384-7740)

Potluck---Potluck—Potluck Tsyunhehkwa

If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If there is anything you would like that we don't carry we would be happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida..

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings

The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.

Date: Tuesday, August 8th and 22nd Time: 6:00pm Please call and inquire before attending 384-7740.

Information around the city

211 Impact - Simply call 211 for help with life/food/shelter/health/crisis intervention, etc.
Pow Wow AA Group
All Welcome - Thursday's - 8:00pm, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th
Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 383-9526
Domestic Violence - Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132/Ext.153 - Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case Manager/Advocate and available to assist women or family members
Urban Circle of Voices - Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper: 643-5510 - Vicky Rank Interfaith Program for the Elderly - Meals on Monday and Friday -11:30am
631 N. 19th St. - First Friday of the month at 5pm.

Weekly Events

Movies and Library

The SEOTS office has a collection of movies and library books for check-out. A large selection of Native American books fiction and non-fiction. Books and movies can be checked-out free of charge. Also, please return any past due books or movies so we can update our library.

Oneida language class - Summer Hours

Oneida Language class is taught weekly by teachers from Milwaukee and guest teachers from Oneida! Families and children are welcome! Language teacher Mark Powless would like to see you come with your children. Part of the class is planned for fun and easy learning for our children. They are our lifeblood for the Oneida language. Please try to attend! Oneida language classes are taught at SEOTS on a weekly basis with Oneida instructors. You can also access the language program during the week on computers available at SEOTS. Dates: Monday, August 7, 14, 21 and 28th Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm Place: Seots

Oneida Singers

Oneida singers meet every Sunday at 6:30pm at the SEOTS office. They are available for events and services. Please contact John House 443-0301or Seots 384-7740 Date: Monday, August 7, 14, 21, 28th Time: 6:30pm Place: Seots

Van Trip

Date: Wednesday, July 19th Time: Van leaves at 8:00am sharp and returns at approximately 5:30pm **SEOTS transports Oneida tribal members to Oneida every third Wednesday of the month.** Staff will make two stops in Oneida. The Casino and the Health Center. If you wish to visit family members or do other business, arrange for transportation or you may ride the Oneida Transit for the fee of $1. Please bring lunch money or brown bag as we are in Oneida for the day. The pick-up for return is at the Oneida Casino at 3:00pm. Returning to Milwaukee between 5-6pm. Please plan appropriately and remember to call ahead to put your name on the reservation list. 384-7740.

SEOTS van trip and script pick-up

Script pick-up: Wednesday, July 5, 12, 19 and 26th

Last day to call in meds for the following Wednesday pick-up is no later than 4:00pm each FRIDAY! You must order meds the week BEFORE each pick up. You can not order the same week you are requesting a pick up unless you are going to pick up your meds or arrange to have someone else pick them up for you. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions about this. Always make 2 calls - SEOTS & PHARMACY (If you don't get your name on the SEOTS List, your meds will not be included in the pick up.)

Next **SEOTS** Publication…
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Oneida Breaks Ground on Walk of Legends

(Oneida, WI) – The Oneida Nation will broke ground on the first monument to be constructed in the Oneida Nation Walk of Legends project on Thursday, June 22, 2006 in front of Brett Favre's Steakhouse on Brett Favre Pass.

The first monument will be a tribute to Brett Favre and the Oneida Nation Seven Generation Philosophy.

The monument will feature photos of Brett Favre and will include a brief history of his hall of fame caliber career. It will leave appropriate space for additional career highlights as Favre continues his legendary career with the Packers.

The monument will also be inscribed with the Oneida Nation Seven Generation philosophy, "The Oneida Nation strives to improve the quality of life for it's citizens. The Nation strives to create a standard of living that will provide Oneida children with a vision for the future and an appreciation for the past. Family, unity and respect for all gifts from the Creator make our Nation strong. All that we do and all that we say, must be done in a way that acknowledges our impact on the next seven generations."



Photo courtesy of Garth Webster

Members of the Oneida Business Committee join with mayor of Green Bay Jim Schmitt to break ground in front of Brett Favre's Steak House for the first Walk of Legends monument.

The monuments will be created in two divisions, 12 will feature players and 12 will highlight different eras in Packer history. Other players will include Reggie White, Ray Nitschke. Bart Starr and Tony Canadeo.

The player monuments will be constructed on an 8' concrete base with engraved black granite facings. A 4-4.5' brushed steel number will top each monument. The era monuments will be similar with a football topping the monument.

The monuments will also highlight Oneidas who played during the Packer's beginnings. Football players such as Jonas Metoxen, Tom Skenandore, Taylor Smith and Martin Wheelock returned from boarding schools out east with much needed gridiron experience.

"This project has been in the works for nearly three years now and I thank the Oneida Nation for stepping up and joining us in making this dream come true," said Sandi Campbell, project originator and facilitator.

"The Oneida Nation is honored to be a part of Green Bay football history and now our history will be intertwined with theirs forever," Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes said.

American Indian casinos now a $23 billion-a-year industry

By Juliet Williams
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) ~ Gambling revenue at American Indian casinos nationwide grew to nearly $23 billion last year, climbing at a rate more than three times faster than traditional gambling operations.

California tribes accounted for nearly a third of the money, according to a comprehensive report on Indian gambling to be released Wednesday.

Nationwide, Indian gambling revenue grew by 15.6 percent in 2005, even though no major casinos opened last year, according to the Indian Gaming Industry Report, compiled by economist Alan Meister. It was the 10th consecutive year in which revenues increased by about 15 percent.

The growth can be attributed to expanded offerings at existing casinos and stepped-up marketing by tribes that are adding Las Vegas-style amenities to lure more visitors.

The report shows tribal casinos closing in on the amount of profits taken in by other casinos, which had $29.6 billion in revenue in 2005, a 4.6 percent rise from the previous year.

California's tribes saw revenue climb by 24 percent, to $7.2 billion, in a state where 55 tribes operate 57 casinos. That rate of growth isn't likely to slow any time soon, Meister said.

Nebraska led all states in growth last year, at 228 percent, after adding a third casino and other offerings at existing facilities. Only four states saw a decline in revenue: Alaska, Louisiana, Maine and South Carolina.

Meister, an economist with the Analysis Group in Los Angeles, uses data from government agencies, Indian tribes and casinos, gambling associations and other studies, as well as some proprietary financial data that tribes are not required to publicly report.

Wednesday's report also found the nation's 420 Indian casinos are responsible for the equivalent of 310,000 full-time jobs and about $10.5 billion in wages. Meister said Indian gambling directly and indirectly accounts for $6.9 billion in tax revenue.

Shawano Folk Music Festival 2006 to feature Mark Denning & Oneida Dancers

The 28th annual Shawano Folk Music Festival will be Aug. 11 to 13 at Mielke Arts Center in Shawano.

The event will feature performances by Tom Pease, Mark Dvorak, Randy Sabien, Dean Magraw, Bill Jorgenson, Robin Pluer, Kitty Donohoe, Small Potatoes, KG & the Ranger, Mark Denning & the Oneida Dancers and the Whistlepig String Band. (See performer biographies below.)

Tom Martin-Erickson, host of Wisconsin Public Radio's "Simply Folk," will emcee at the Aug. 11 concert and Jacquie Manning and Rich Prezioso, also known as Small Potatoes, will do the honors Aug. 12.

The concerts will be at 7 p.m. in the air-conditioned Mielke Theater. Due to limited seating, the festival committee recommends ordering concert tickets in advance.

Daytime workshops will be under tents in the wooded park at Airport Road and County Road H. Daytime workshops will feature hows to sessions, sing-alongs, mini-concerts, dancing and more. An open mic stage will provide an outlet to show off musical skills, test a new song before an appreciative audience or just chime in on a tune.

New this year will be a day to focus on children. On Sunday, Aug. 13, children will find activities geared toward them from art to music.

Crafters will demonstrate their talents and sell their wares along the park's wooded paths.

Food vendors will have everything from homemade soup to kettle corn to brats to coffee for sale.

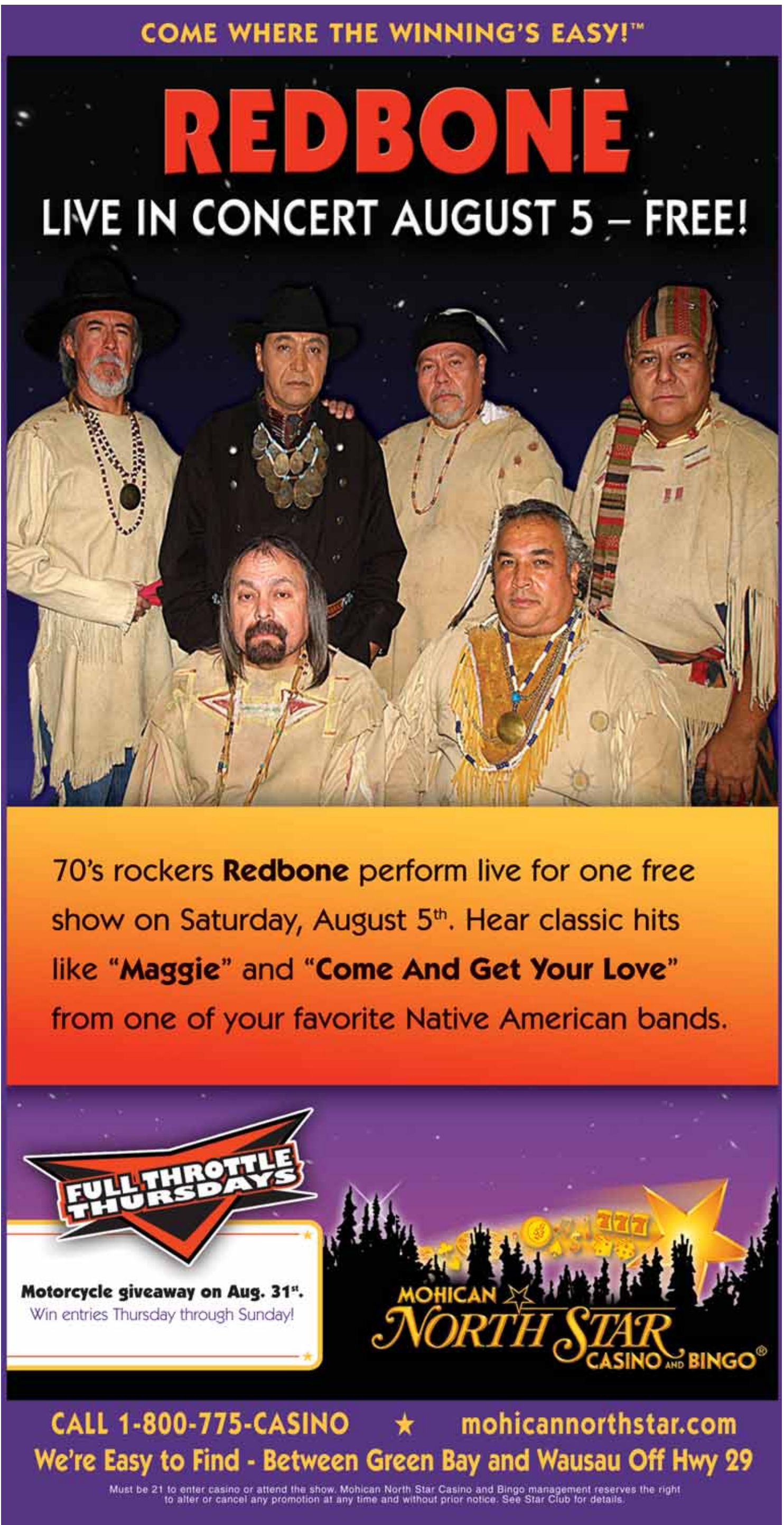
The festival committee will raffle off several prizes, with the two top prizes being handmade, colorful quilts. Other prizes include CDs from the musicians and crafts from the crafters.

Weekend pass tickets are $50, which includes both concerts and both days of workshops ($38 for seniors age 65 or older). Concert tickets are $18 for each evening ($16 for seniors and children). Daytime tickets are $10 for each day ($5 for seniors and children). A family daytime pass is $25 for each day (two adults and two or more children).

Tickets are available online at www.shawanofestival.com (via PayPal) or by contacting Linda Blohowiak at (920) 822-5042. Ticket requests can also be mailed to: SCAC – Tickets, N1829 S. Saint Augustine St., Pulaski WI 54162. Tickets are available in Shawano at M&I Bank and the Shawano County Chamber of Commerce.

For information, call publicity chairman Donna Hobscheid at **(715) 526-5311** or **dwhobscheid@charter.net** or festival director Dori Jerger at **(715) 276-6942.**

Mark Denning and the Oneida Dancers will show the color and symbolism of Native American dance. Denning, head dancer and leader of the Oneida Dancers, was born on the Menominee Reservation and began dancing when he was 17. The troupe has performed around the state, educating audiences about the importance and spirituality of this art form. They will perform at the Aug. 12 concert.



Summer House Party Series Presenting.....

Mohawk Singer to perform in Concert in Oneida



The Oneida Nation Arts Program presents Summer House Party concerts and picnic outings. Mohawk singer/songwriter, Howard Lyons, will perform Thursday, July 13, in Oneida. The concert and picnic are open to the public and visitors to the area.

Award-winning singer songwriter, Howard Lyons, Wolf Clan of the Mohawk, has a gift for music and is following that path the creator has put before him. Lyons takes life's twists of fate and put those feelings and experiences into words.

Concert is free; $5 suggested donation for the meal. Meal provided by "Good Mind...Great Future! A C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking."

Songs and Music by Howard Lyons, July 13, 2006. Meal starting at 5:30 p.m; music at 6:00pm and show ends at 7:30 p.m. in the Norbert Hill Center North Lawn, N7210 Seminary Rd. Oneida, WI. 54155, (rain location in the Norbert Hill Center Auditorium).

The third concert in the series is with Arvel Bird and Cherry Bounce, August 10, 2006.

Arvel Bird, of Paiute and Scottish heritage, is a renowned fiddler/violinist nominated for GRAMMYs in both Best Folk/Country Artist and Best Instrumental Recording categories. The first half of the show will include Arvel's original compositions guaranteed to delight both young and old. In the second half, Arvel will be joined by Cherry Bounce Band for some good old jigging music.

Concert is free; $5 suggested donation for the meal. Meal provided by the DoDo Club. Meal starting at 5:30 p.m; music at 6:00 pm and show ends at 7:30 p.m. in the Norbert Hill Center North Lawn, N7210 Seminary Rd. Oneida, WI. 54155, (rain location in the Norbert Hill Center Auditorium) Info: 490-3830

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and make yourself comfortable for great Native entertainment and Oneida hospitality. Join us in the little apple orchard on the corner of Seminary Road and Hwy 54 in Oneida where families of generations ago held their "Going Home Day" picnics. For more information, call 920-490-3830.

The Summer House Parties Series is made possible through funding from the Wisconsin Arts Board, Coca Cola Fund, and the Oneida Tribe of Indians.

The Summer House Party Concert location, in the north lawn of the Norbert Hill Center, Seminary Rd and Hwy 54, in Oneida, was the site of the "Going Home Day Picnics," held in the early 1900's. There was a U.S. Indian Boarding School at the location. At the end of the academic year, parents and extended families would pick up their children from the boarding school. The occasion created the "Going Home Day Picnic".

Health/Environmental

Zebra mussels confirmed in White Rapids Flowage, Menominee River

AMBERG, Wis.- Adult zebra mussels have been found in the White Rapids Flowage on the Menominee River in Marinette County leading the DNR to place the flowage on its "List of zebra mussel infested waters" and urge boaters to take precautions to make sure they don't accidentally spread the invasive species to new lakes.

Staff at WE Energies reported finding adult zebra mussels on equipment at their hydro generating facility on White Rapids Flowage. "The size range of the zebra mussels found at the plant indicates that there is an established zebra mussel population in White Rapids Flowage," says Dick Sachs, Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator for the Department of Natural Resources.

Placing White Rapids Flowage on the list of zebra mussel infested waters means that the DNR will post "Exotic Species Advisory" signs at the boat landings on White Rapids Flowage to notify the public that zebra mussels are present. The department will work with local units of government to increase public awareness and outreach efforts to control the further spread of zebra mussels.

Concerned citizens can help stop the spread of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species by volunteering for "Clean Boats Clean Waters," a volunteer watercraft inspection program. Contact the DNR's Clean Boats Clean Waters Program Coordinator at 715-365-2659 for program information.

Zebra mussels attach to hard surfaces and form dense clusters. They can decimate native mussel populations, decrease the oxygen that fish and other aquatic species need, and worsen algae blooms. They can clog boat engines and intake pipes for utilities and industrial facilities. In addition, their sharp shells can cut the feet of swimmers and beach walkers.

Zebra mussels first arrived in the Wisconsin waters of Lake Michigan in the Racine harbor in 1990 as stowaways aboard foreign freighters entering the Great Lakes. Since then, they have become established in 70 inland lakes in Wisconsin. Invasive species are transported to new waters by "hitching a ride" on boats and equipment that move between waters.

"The key to preventing the spread of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species is not to transport anything - plants, animals, mud, or water–when moving from one water body to another," says Sachs. "Mud and water can harbor seeds, and microscopic eggs and larva.

Everyone can help prevent the spread of invasive species by reporting suspected new infestations to a local DNR or Sea Grand office, and by following four simple yet highly effective prevention steps. Every time you remove a boat or equipment from the water:

1. Remove plants, animals, mud, and debris from your boat, trailer and equipment;
2. Drain all water from your boat's live wells, bilge, motor, etc.;
3. Don't take bait or water used in one water body to another water body. Dispose of unused bait in the trash, not in the water;
4. Dry the boat and equipment thoroughly for five days - or - spray/rinse the boat and equipment with high-pressure and/or hot water. Washing should be done before transporting boats or equipment that has been moored for more than a day.

For more information on the discovery of the zebra mussels in White Rapids Flowage or on how to prevent the spread of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species contact Dick Sachs at 920-662-5187, or Greg Sevener at 715-582-5013.

Wisconsin coalition seeks to reduce youth suicide

MILWAUKEE (AP) – Bolstered by a federal grant, efforts are under way to reduce youth suicides by at least 10 percent in Wisconsin, where about one young person dies each week.

Wisconsin has one of the highest rates of youth suicide in the nation.

The state trails only Alaska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah and Nevada for numbers of death per 100,000 youths, according to the latest numbers published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in 2003. According to the CDC, Wisconsin recorded 53 suicides by people ages 10 to 19, an average of 6.6 per 100,000 youths.

Experts point to high risk factors like living in isolated areas, keeping guns in the home and alcohol or drug abuse.

A new coalition is using $1,125,000 in federal funds over the next three years to help increase awareness of why youth commit suicide.

"This is not a mystery," said Fred Sutkiewicz, a school psychologist in Sheboygan.

The areas that will be targeted heaviest in the new campaign are Sheboygan, Green County, Lafayette County, Marathon County, Portage County, an American Indian community not yet

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Suicide Prevention

Lake Planning remains in progress

By Betsy Galbraith
Environmental Health & Safety

Planning is underway to create a well-designed lake with a sustainable fishery for the Oneida community. Technical work and scientific testing is in progress on the lake site at the corner of County U and Crook Road (the former Valley Excavating sandpit). The tests are examining the type and quantity of soil on the site. "With the quantities of sand, silt, and clay at this site we anticipate it will take several years to make the site ready to support a fishery," states Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Oneida Environmental Quality Director. Water levels and the geology of the site are also being investigated. The information obtained from the testing will eventually lead to the final design plan for the lake.

We are also in the process of completing the various permits necessary for the project to move forward. These include permits from the federal government and to satisfy the Oneida Nation's laws and regulations.

There is a strong commitment to community involvement for the project. An informational booth is being provided at various community events throughout the summer. A Community Advisory Board created specifically for the project recently held their first meeting. Students from Oneida Nation High School took field trips related to the project during the month of May.

Stay tuned to the Kalihwisaks for regular updates. For more information, contact Betsy Galbraith, Environmental Health & Safety Division, 496-5327.

GOOD MIND... "a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking" great future!

Elders and Story Sharing

Attention All Elders!

We want the youth to hear your words....
We want to know what you think of today's lifestyle....
We want to see a better relationship between the next generation and our elders....
Do you have something you want to say to today's youth?
Any advice to give?
If so... Sign up today!
We want to hear YOU!

Did you ever think that there was a way that you could help our youth today? We think there is.

The Elder Campaign with the Oneida Nation Arts Program and the Good Mind, Great Future (CAPPS) program would like your help. We want the youth to know what you think of today's society. Younger ones are often misguided and feel that they have no one to talk to. We want the elders to let them know that they are not alone in this world. We want to see the youth make better decisions concerning their lives. With all the new technology coming out and poor celebrity role models, the "old ways" should not be forgotten and the youth need to learn these traditional or cultural lessons... And, they need your help to do so.

What we are asking, is that you give your message and guidance to the young ones of today. The possibilities for going about this are many. Here are just a few ideas;

1. Your voice recording played on Chris Powless' radio broadcast, Kalihwiyo'se, and also played at the area schools.
2. Your picture and quote on a poster, which would be posted all over the reservation.
3. Your visits to schools to talk with the youth in person.
4. Elder/Youth Luncheon, where you would be communicating with the youth face to face.

This is only the beginning, we would love to go much further. If you are interested, please contact Lois Stevens or Irene Danforth of the Oneida Nation Arts Program at 920-430-3834

Sponsored by: Oneida Nation Arts Program and Good Mind Great Future... A C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, & information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

Strengthening the community through story

Wednesday, July 26, 2006 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Oneida Turtle School

On Wednesday, July 26, at 5:00PM, Oneida's Good Mind-Great Future and area Spiritual Leaders invite you to join us in a Traditional Indigenous meal and an evening of story- telling. "Strengthening Community Through Story" will be an opportunity to hear from anyone who has a story to share. By meeting new and old friends, we reconnect with ourselves, our family and our community. Hopefully, sharing with each other will inspire us to live happier and healthier lives.

The evening will begin with an opening by Randy Cornelius and a traditional meal. Then, a brief story of Oneida's journey from creation to today by Ron Hill followed by a Friendship Greeting. Finally, group facilitators will be introduced and all attending will be asked to take part in a circle, where the story-telling will continue.

Bring your aunties and uncles, your grandmothers and grandfathers, your children, your parents and your neighbors. See you there.

For more information contact Justine Souto or Tracy L. Metoxen at 490-3854.

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Annual Tenant Board Meeting

The Community is invited to join Oneida Housing Authority & Oneida Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

*July 27th, 2006
*4 - 6
*At The Parish Hall

Light refreshments will be served

Put the Points in Your Favor

Please join us for the 8th Annual Diabetes Event at the Lambeau Field Legends Room, for an evening of good food, healthful information and motivation to improve your health.

August 2, 2006 4:30pm to 8:30pm

Master of Ceremonies:
Tim Moureau, RN, NP, CDE

Featured Speakers:
Dr. Michael Flood, Internal Medicine, OCHC
Panel discussion with community members affected by diabetes
and
Bill McConkey
Motivational Speaker and Humorist

Register for Prizes including: Recumbent Bike (2)
Treadmill

Sponsored by: Oneida Community Health Center Diabetes Grant

Tickets Available at the Oneida Community Health Center:
Greeters Desk,
Diabetes Team office (869-4864)
WIC/Nutrition office (869-4829)

Tickets Price $5.00 Per Person - CASH ONLY

Education

Funding cuts may hurt program that helped Indian med students

DULUTH, Minn. (AP) – A summer program that encourages American Indians to enter health professions was in full swing last week, as students like Otis Bitsuie learned how to measure blood pressure.

Bitsuie, a 21-year-old Navajo who came from the University of Utah for the summer program, said he will probably pursue a medical profession. He said it's important for Indians to have Indian doctors.

"A lot of natives don't have the trust there (with doctors from outside their culture)," he said. "That can make a very big difference. It can ease apprehension if they see a native."

But programs like Native Americans into Medicine could be at risk after Sept. 1, when funding ends for the Center for American Indian and Minority Health, one of three centers in U.S. medical schools that promotes health professions for Indians. The loss in funding will cut the center's budget by 83 percent, from $1.325 million to $225,000.

The programs helped the University of Minnesota graduate more than 100 Indian doctors since 1990, more than all but one other American university.

Dr. Ed Haller, a now retired faculty member in Duluth who started recruiting Indians into the Medical School, called the federal budget cut "unconscionable." Nationwide, funding was cut for all centers of minority health, except those at historically black colleges.

"The people who have been here have been role models and an inspiration to students," Haller said. "I remember one student who said he had been told that he should be a truck driver. That sort of thing just brings tears to your eyes."

Medical School Dean Deborah Powell said university officials hope to redirect enough money to restore at least half of the cut funds. The school is lobbying Minnesota's congressional delegation to try to get funding restored next year.

Powell said the program is the reason that 17 of the 200 students who start medical school on the Twin Cities and Duluth campuses this fall are American Indian. Those students, from across the country, are drawn by the opportunity to work on reservations, study with Indian doctors and take classes dealing with issues such as medicine and traditional healing practices.

"To provide the best health care to patients, be they Caucasian or Somali or Hmong or American Indian, one has to understand their culture and beliefs," Powell said. "We have to have students who come from those cultures."

Annual Board / Tenant Meeting

The Community is invited…
to join Oneida Housing Authority &
Oneida Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

Thursday • July 27th, 2006
4 – 6 p.m.
Parish Hall

Light refreshments will be served

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Suicide Prevention

selected and the Wisconsin School for the Deaf in Walworth County.

Officials say young people who are deaf or hearing impaired are at risk because of the emotional difficulties resulting from their disability.

The Mental Health Association in Milwaukee County will lead the effort with help from the state Department of Health and Family Services, the state Department of Public Instruction and the Medical College of Wisconsin, which will also research and analyze the results of the three-year program.

Planned efforts including surveys of school children on their attitudes toward suicide, increased use of gun locks, new educational materials for the hearing impaired, better mental health services for American Indian youths and training teachers to recognize warning signs.

"We have learned that schools alone can't seem to sustain a project," said Martha Rasmus, president of the Mental Health Association. "This goes broader and deeper than what we've been able to do before."

Canning Workshop

Thursday, July 20th • 5:30 p.m.

In the Cannery at the Norbert Hill Center

The class will be limited to the first 15 who sign up.

Call 869-4379 to register, weekdays from 8 to 4:30 p.m.

Oneida Nation Elementary School
4th Quarter Honor Roll students named

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal, ONES

Honors 3.0–3.49

Third Grade
Carleigh Skenandore – 3.438
Isis Croston – 3.299
Ruby John – 3.228
Dayton Sanapaw – 3.228
Karissa Cornelius–Waupoose – 3.089

Fourth Grade
Jairica Christjohn – 3.317
Sequoyah Morgan – 3.298
Muriel King – 3.254
Tyler Stevens – 3.193
Paul Christjohn – 3.190
McKenna Pyawasit – 3.158
Matthew Powless – 3.106

Fifth Grade
Diego Metoxen – 3.333
Eveyonna Ortega – 3.157
David White – 3.123
Kayla Danforth – 3.017
Paige Ninham – 3.000

Sixth Grade
Bradley Sievers – 3.364
Anna Cornelius – 3.333
Michael Santiago – 3.276
Brandon Andrews – 3.271
Chelsey Cornelius – 3.245
Colleen Cornelius – 3.021
Brent Huff – 3.009
Phillip Starr – 3.001

Seventh Grade
Shane Skenandore – 3.501
Jaylee Godfrey – 3.476
Jade Doxtater – 3.333
Chelsea Jorgenson – 3.222
Lily Smith – 3.222
Janace Christjohn – 3.123
Salene LaRock – 3.048

Eighth Grade
Alexandria Redhail – 3.476
Cheyenne Starr – 3.218
Shanica Hill – 3.135
Angelina Redhail – 3.111
Ericka Behringer – 3.070

High Honors 3.5–3.79

Third Grade
Briana Doxtator – 3.791
Shantel VanDyke – 3.755
Akacia Muscavitch – 3.738
D'Anna Cornelius – 3.614
Byran Halona – 3.578
Yen<stahawise Brooks – 3.561

Fourth Grade
Josanna Cornelius–Daubon – 3.790
Brandon Joy – 3.682

Fifth Grade
Carissa Metoxen – 3.563
Aleah Jimenez – 3.543
Noelle Metoxen – 3.518

Sixth Grade
Guadalupe Martinez – 3.751
Haley Hill – 3.608
Jordan Smith – 3.583

Highest Honors 3.8–4.0

Fourth Grade
Yewanak>yu Brooks – 3.930

Fifth Grade
Cayman Berg–Morales – 3.824

Eighth Grade
Maria Metoxen – 3.835

Oneida Nation Elementary School
4th Quarter Attendance

Submitted by Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal, ONES

Perfect Attendance F.A.C.E.
Chayton Mousseau

Kindergarten
Joseff Cornelius, Alex Denny, Jack Mehojah, Danielle Dessart-Skenandore, Christian Thomas

First Grade
Taliah Fredrick, Jadin Sitting Bear, Sadie Wilber, Esaias Bautista, Lanora Danforth, Olivia Pigman, Michael Robinson, Florence John, Sonny Nacotee, Tabbitha Ninham

Second Grade
Travis Stevens

Third Grade
Rebecca BrownBull, Isis Croston, Shakonahla Elm, Byran Halona

Fourth Grade
Matthew Powless, Shania Stewart

Fifth Grade
Cayman Berg-Morales, Heather Stevens, Timothy BrownBull, Matthew Skenandore

Excellent Attendance

Kindergarten
Jada Sitting Bear, Ethan Schuyler, Skyler Joy, Dylan Wilber, Mason Hebb, Miguel Hernandez, Orville Summers

First Grade
Anthony Arce, William Merrell, Marissa Cornelius, Sandra Torres-Mejia, Donald Counard Jr.

Second Grade
Kyle Beechtree, Niko Pocan, Kasey Counard, Brittney Hill, Eric Denny, Kasy Counard, Louisa Mehojah

Third Grade
Ruby John, Dante Thomas, Shantell Van Dyke

Fourth Grade
Sequoyah Morgan, Marcus Skenandore, Shy House, Avery King

Fifth Grade
James Hebb, Diego Metoxen, Kaylynn Powless, Corina Lara, Noelle Metoxen, Fredrick Miller, Paige Ninham, Eveyonna Ortega, Devonte Pointer

Seventh Grade
Maurense Beans

Eighth Grade
Maria Metoxen, Ericka Behringer

Number of students with Perfect Attendance: 27
Number of students with Excellent Attendance: 38

WHAT IS THE ONEIDA NATION WORKING ON?
Come and find out at the next:
Business Unit Informational Meeting

*Oneida Community Health Center
525 Airport Road

*Monday, July 31, 2006
1:30PM - 4:00PM

Tentative Agenda
*Human Resources Update
*MIS Update
*Treasurer's Report
*Gaming Update

If there are any specific topics you would like information about, please contact me at:
490-3537 Yaw^ko Lee Thomas

Re-Elect

Janice SKENANDORE-MCLESTER

to the ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION



- Over 6 Years Judicial Experience – Trial and Appellate Branches
- Lead Judicial Officer
- Certified State of Wisconsin Mediator
- Completed Introduction to Tribal Legal Studies Course
- Completed Real Property Law Course

Extensive training in…
– Logic and Legal Reasoning
– Decision/Opinion Writing
– Appellate/Bench Skills
– Grant Writing

- Over 30 years in Supervisory Management
- Member of National American Indian Court Judges Association
- Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association

"Here to protect our Nation and it's people"

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Summer Arts for Kids!

Young Artist Camp
July 24-26, 2006 • 8:30 am-3:30 pm
For children 8-12 years old • Cost: $5.00 per child
Create works of art for permanent display around the community. Includes lunch and snacks.

Register NOW!

Band Camp
August 7-11, 2006 • 12-4:30 pm
For children entering 5th-9th grade • Cost: Free
Learn how to play a band instrument (must provide own instrument.) Includes snacks.

Teen Apprenticeship
July 31-August 11, 2006
For teens ages 14-17
Applications available through Oneida Human Resources Dept.

Sponsored by the Oneida Nation Arts Program. For information or to register, contact Beth Bashara at 920-490-3833.

Oneida Nation Arts Program

34th Annual Pow Wow Celebration









Kali photos/ Julia Skenandore and Dawn Walschinski









It was a new look for the 34th Annual Oneida Pow Wow held Friday, June 30th to Sunday, July 2nd. The canopy that once shaded the drummers in the center of the dance grounds was removed for more dancing area and greater visibility, as can be seen in the photo of Saturday's grand entry in the upper right corner. The pow wow also welcomed a new Little Miss Oneida on Friday evening. At far right, former Little Miss Olivia Webster crowns the new 2006-2007 Little Miss Tianna Hackett, age seven.

Something that didn't change was the large number of talented dancers who competed for $49,000 in prize money. Below right, LaDonna Parker and others practice their moves during an intertribal. Below Center, Traditional Women Dancers enter the pow wow ground during Friday's grand entry.

And where would they all be without fry bread? At the far left bottom, mother and daughter team Doreen and Amanda Perrote shape dough for the Cornelius Clan Stand which has operated for 24 years.

At far right top, a little fancy dancer is all business during grand entry. At right, a grass dancer takes a nap to escape Saturday's heat. On top, Patrick Madrid, Sr. shows his traditional dancing moves.

Results from the pow wow will be in the July 20th issue of the Kalihwisaks.



What to do with TRAILS?

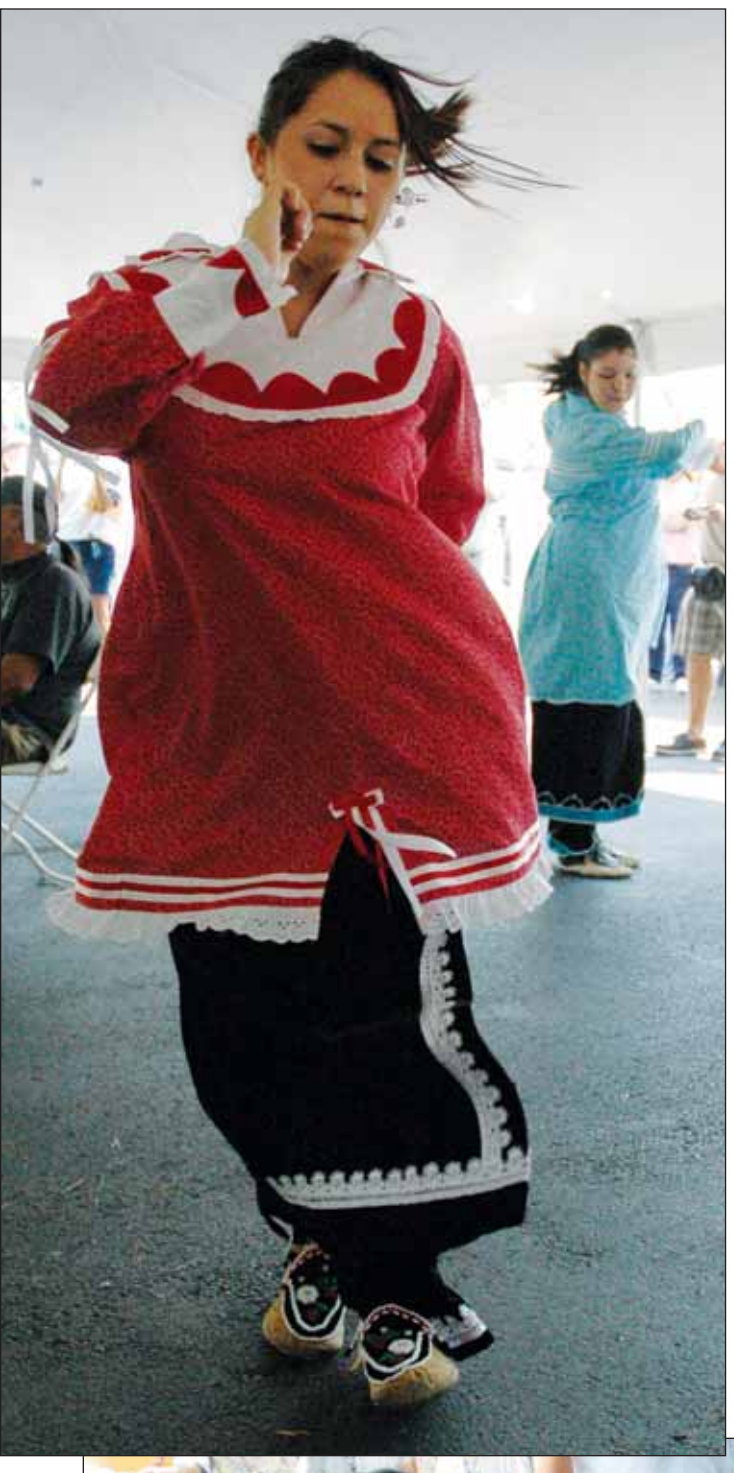
Tuesday, July 11, 2006
6:00pm - 8:00pm

RidgeView Plaza,
Suite4
3759 West Mason St.

What would you like to see happen with the Oneida Railroad and other trails within the reservation?
Please come share your ideas and concerns with us.

Culture Fair

Oneida Museum celebrates decade of Culture Fairs



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Museum held it's 10th Annual Culture Fair on its grounds Thursday, June 29th. Community residents and visitors from all around the country enjoyed Iroquoian music, dance, art, food and fun.

Oneida Language Trainees were on hand to teach words and phrases that participants could memorize to win prizes.

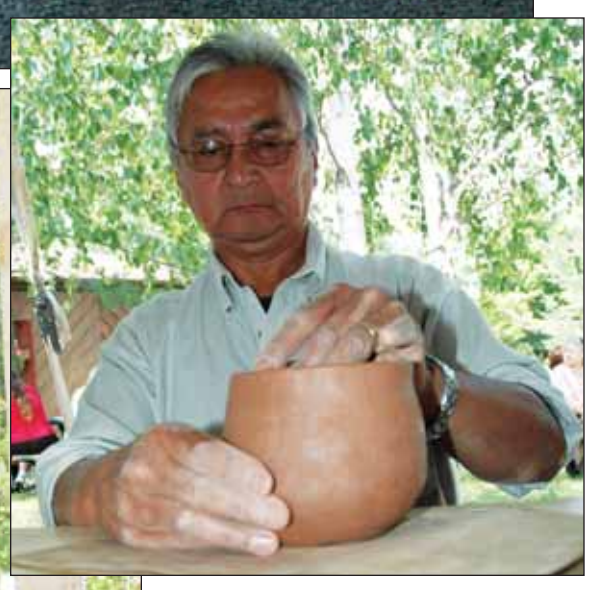
Left: Shanna Danforth and Michelle Hill let their feet fly for a competitive Smoke Dance. Danforth came in first in the adult category.

Right: Randy Cornelius teaches nine-month-old Xavier Thunderfist Escamea the finer points of Social Dance Singing.

Below: Jacob Johnson took first place for the youth category in the Smoke Dance.









Above: Onondaga artist Peter B. Jones makes a clay coil pot with traditional Iroquoian designs.

Left: Four-year-old Hanna Skenandore creates her own art with glitter and glue. There were several activities for the youth in attendance including a demonstration of live birds of prey.

Protesters gather at Bear Butte

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) – American Indians have started gathering at Bear Butte for a summer-long encampment to protest the encroachment of large campgrounds and other venues that cater to bikers at the annual motorcycle rally in nearby Sturgis.

Tribes from across the country have been invited to camp at the butte, which is sacred to Indians.

Protest leaders say the encampment will include a summit meeting for Indian tribes Aug. 1-4, and they also plan to march down Main Street in Sturgis during the motorcycle rally.

Indians are upset that Meade County officials have approved alcohol licenses for large campgrounds that plan to feature concerts during rally week, which begins Aug. 7.

Carter Camp, a member of the Ponca Tribe of Oklahoma, said the protesters are not asking to stop the motorcycle rally - just keep it away from sacred land.

"We know that it's a driving economic force in this county to have 800,000 bikers come to the state. It doubles the population. That's why we aren't trying to stop the rally; we're not trying to interfere with bikers," he said.

They say their main goal by camping out through the rally is to raise awareness of their position.

GOOD MIND... "a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking" great future!

Date: Wed. July 26, 2006 Time: 5:00-8:00 PM

Strengthening Community Through Story

Place: Oneida Nation Elementary School (Turtle)

Share your joys, sorrows, tall tales, or just how things used to be... By meeting new and old friends, we reconnect with ourselves, our family and our community.

Join us for a traditional meal & a brief story of our Oneida journey from creation to today by Ron Hill. Story-telling will be facilitated by area faith & spiritual leaders.

FMI contact Justine or Tracy at 920-490-3854

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Saturday's Special Elections rescheduled to August

Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The special election that was scheduled for Saturday, July 22nd has been rescheduled for Saturday, August 26th.

"The election board inadvertently didn't send out a mass mailing to the tribal membership in regard to the election notice and sample ballot," said Oneida Election Board Chairperson Racquel Hill.

The decision to postpone the election was to make sure the Election Board would be in compliance with Tribal law.

The rescheduled elections will take place at the Oneida Police Department from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.

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Oneida, WI 54155

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Observing 20 years of service

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

The opening of the Rodeway Inn is still clear in the mind of Kathy Hughes who served on the Board of Directors for the hotel and was treasurer for the Oneida Business Committee (OBC) at that time. "We had started the planning and had gotten the approval from the General Tribal Council to go ahead with the construction of the hotel with a 12 million dollar budget back in 1985. Construction started in October 1985 and was completed in June 1986." said Hughes who is now the vice-chairwoman of the OBC.

Hughes said "The tribe entered into a business we knew nothing about and were yet tenacious enough to take the risks."

The original Rodeway Inn serviced the leisure customer and could no longer provide the kind of business that Oneida wanted to be drawn to the hotel. The Radisson Inn provided services to groups and the business traveler as well as the leisure customer.

In 1993 the growth of Oneida Bingo and Casino added changes for the hotel. The first expansion of the Radisson added on the Iroquois Complex and more rooms.

The Radisson Hotel and Conference Center began its second expansion, "in 2001 with a starting budget of 22.5 million dollars in the Spring and opening late summer 2002. The project came in under budget at 21 million with the addition of the Towers adding 115 rooms, and the Three Clans Ballroom." said Lance Broberg, General Manager for the Radisson Hotel and

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2006 Indigenous Games



Kali photo/Cathy Delgado

Oneidas members of Team Wisconsin wait their turn patiently on the lawn of the Invesco Field, Mile High Stadium before the Parade of Athletes begins for the Native American indigenous Games 2006 in Denver, Colorado

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

Monday, July 3, 2006 was the beginning of competition for the Native American Indigenous Games athletes and coaches. Over 7,500 athletes participated in this years Games with at least another two or three thousand more fans. Those attending the Games would be traveling all over the Denver area to various levels of schools or athletic parks such as Colorado Horse Park, Metropolitan State College, Thomas Jefferson High School, the Golden Crown Fieldhouse, the National Western Complex, the Olympic Training Center and others. The weekend was partially spent by some athletes from Wisconsin practicing which gave them something to do and get to know other athletes. There was a dance with a disc jockey that took place in the middle of the week to provide a means of entertainment for the younger population. Other athletes, coaches and chaperones took a drive into the mountains while others hit the Six Flags Amusement Park, and the Water World Park to try and stay cool in the 90 plus degree weather. For some athletes the only protection from the heat and sun was sun block and it wasn't enough because many of the archers came back beet red.

There were 27 teams that participated in the Games this year in basketball, track and field, cross country, archery, boxing, Tae Kwon Do, swimming, volleyball, wrestling, baseball, canoeing, lacrosse, rifle shooting, and soccer. The Tribes that participated from the state of Wisconsin include Oneida, Bad River, La Courte Oreilles, Lac Du Flambeau, Red Cliff, Menominee, Stockbridge Munsee, Ho Chunk, Forest County Potowatomi, St Croix, and the Sokaogon. There were 56 Oneida athletes that participated in this years games.

Merle Smith, Idaho basketball coach commented on the experiences as, "one team will walk away with the gold and 26 will walk away with a good experience."

Wisconsin Supreme Court's decision keeps Indian casinos

By Scott Bauer
Associated Press Writer

MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ Indian casinos in Wisconsin hit the jackpot on Friday with a state Supreme Court decision that removes any legal doubt as to their validity or right to expand.

Not only can the existing 28 casinos remain open, the Supreme Court said they also can negotiate with the state to offer new Las Vegas-style games like roulette, craps and blackjack.

The widely anticipated decision was a major victory both for the 11 tribes operating casinos in the state and Gov. Jim Doyle, who had argued he had the right to negotiate gambling compacts with the tribes.

But critics on the court warned the decision could lead to an onslaught of new games like sports betting. State and tribal officials discounted that fear.

"I fail to see where there will be an explosion of gaming, at least with respect to scope," said Jeff Crawford, attorney general for the Forest County Potawatomi. "These games already exist in Wisconsin at most casinos."

But Brian Nemoir, executive director of the anti-gambling coalition Enough!, said the court's decision shows the need for greater legislative oversight of the governor's powers for approving casinos.

Administration Secretary Steve Bablitch, though, noted that federal officials must review and approve any new compacts.

Justice David Prosser, who joined two others on the court in a partial dissent from the majority, said the governor should not have the authority to sign agreements that expand gambling in the state to include games forbidden under a 1993 amendment to the Wisconsin Constitution.

The amendment clarified that all types of gambling are prohibited in the state except bingo, raffles, pari-mutuel on-

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Supreme Decision

Medals earned in WWI presented to family

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Anderson Cornelius joined the Army in 1918 and fought for his country in World War I. His family returned the favor and fought to reestablish his service record .

"They were going to put up a memorial wall for the Oneida Museum, but he wasn't on there," said Anderson's son Franklin Cornelius.

Franklin's sisters Eleanor Zaebler and Josephine Bailey went to Kerry Metoxen, director of Oneida Veterans Services Office for help. It was discovered that a fire in 1973 destroyed the St. Louis building where Anderson's personnel records were stored.

Metoxen contacted Congressman Mark Green's office to continue the search. "Whenever a congressman requests something, they get a little bit more customer service," said Metoxen.

The process took two years, and then five weeks ago, veterans liaison Melanie Luchs found some information.

"Like (Green) said, you got to have a labor of love to do this thing, you know. You hit a wall and you got to go another route." said Metoxen.

With Anderson's service records rediscovered, Congressman Green presented 18 of Cornelius' decedents with three medals he had earned serving in the Calvary in France. The presentation was made to the eldest daughter Delores on the afternoon of Thursday, July 7th.

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WWI Medals



Photo courtesy of Barb Moorhouse

Congressman Mark Green presents Delores Skenandore, seated, and Eleanor Bailey with medals earned by their father Anderson Cornelius.

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"It's a tremendous honor having Anderson Cornelius honored," said his granddaughter Heather Cornelius.

Of his twelve children, five of Anderson's sons followed their father's example and served in various branches of the military. Three of his daughters were welders in navel ship yards during War World II.

"He set the standard for us because he cared for his family and defended them, he cared for his nation and defended his nation," said Franklin who served 22 years in the Marine Corps.

Oneida Celebrates 10th Relay For Life

Signature Event has Raised More Than $1.5 Billion to Support American Cancer Society's Fight Against Cancer

(ONEIDA, WI) - On July 28th and 29th, 2006, Oneida will be celebrating its 10th Anniversary of their annual American Cancer Society Relay For Life . The event will be held behind the Norbert Hill Center in Oneida and begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and continues until 10:00 a.m. on Saturday.

Relay For Life is a fun filled overnight event that mobilizes communities throughout the country to celebrate survivors, remember loved ones, and raise money for the fight against cancer. Some of the events that will take place at Oneida's Relay For Life will be: Pony Rides, Luminary Ceremony, Silent Auction, Dude Looks Like a Lady Contest and much more. This is a family/community event where we try to have something for everyone. Please stop in for some fun.

Relay For Life benefits ONEIDA by saving lives through Society-funded research and early detection and prevention education; providing support in time of need through Society programs and services, empowering people to fight back against cancer through Relay and advocacy efforts, and allowing hearts to heal as Relay recognizes friends and neighbors who have been profoundly affected by cancer.

For more information call Lisa Metoxen, PR Coordinator **920-869-1690** or call toll free **1.800.ACS.2345** or visit **www.cancer.org.**

Doyle's top contributions from casino interests

By Scott Bauer
Associated Press Writer

MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ Gov. Jim Doyle collected more than nine times as much from out-of-state campaign donors last year as did his opponent, according to a new analysis by a political watchdog group.

The largest contributor among all donors over the past four years to the Democratic incumbent was a casino investor and his family, determined the report released Tuesday by the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign.

All told, the report said Doyle raised $1.15 million from out-of-state individuals from 2002 to 2005, compared with $117,000 for his challenger, U.S. Rep. Mark Green, R-Green Bay. The four-term congressman from Green Bay announced his candidacy for the governor's office last year.

Doyle raised $415,113 from outside Wisconsin last year compared with $44,837 for Green.

"Clearly candidates are becoming less and less choosy about who they will take money from," said Mike McCabe, executive director of the group that issued the report. "They've tapped out

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August 26, 2006
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- HUGH DANFORTH

ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD
PARENT POSITION
CHOOSE TWO (2)

- STACEY NIETO
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ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD
AT LARGE POSITION
CHOOSE TWO (2)

- LINDA MERCIER
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REFERENDUM QUESTION

The Trust- Enrollment Committee requests your approval for the development of a separation plan. The Plan would require the General Tribal Council's ratification. Since 1974, the functions of the Trust-Enrollment Committee have grown in complexity and scope. The Committee addresses issues on trust fund investment responsibilities with the Trust Department, and administers all Tribal enrollment responsibilities with the Enrollment Department. Each Department has it's own focus separate from each. To better meet the growing needs of the Oneida Nation, the Trust Department, the Enrollment Department, and the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee recommend creating two (2) separate committees. The two Committees would still remain under the direct authority of the General Tribal Council.

I approve the development of a Plan to Separate the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee.

- YES
- NO

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Saturday * July 22, 2006
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Local

Passing On

Denny, Allen L. "Rocky"
April 12, 1951 – July 4, 2006

Allen "Rocky" L. Denny 55 of Oneida passed away on Tuesday July 4, 2006 unexpectedly at his home. He was born April 12, 1951, son of the late Alexander and Clara (Metoxen) Denny. He was a member of the Oneida Methodist Church and the men's club of the church.

Survivors include his children; Kurt (Heidi) Denny, Scott (Theresa) Denny, Alex (Xavier) Denny, Heather (Kory) Wesaw, Linn (Jason) Denny all of Oneida, 8 Grandchildren; Haley, Gaby, Jaycob, Kyla, Clara, Jaydee, Kyle, and Jaynoa. Brothers and Sisters.

Allen's wishes were to have a private family service. Burial will be in the Oneida Methodist Cemetery. Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, Seymour, assisted the family with arrangements.

Rohr, Barbara J. "Bobbi"
December 12, 1940 – July 9, 2006



Barbara J. "Bobbi" Rohr, age 65 of Keshena, passed away Sunday, July 9, 2006 at her home after a long illness. Barbara was born on December 12, 1940 in Keshena, daughter of the late James G. and Emma J. (Reed) Miller. She was a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Neopit and enjoyed playing bingo, playing cards and collecting dolls.

Barbara is survived by: her children, Deborah (Raymond) Sanapaw of Keshena, Connie (Elmer) Schuster of Keshena, Ernie (Amy) Rasmussen of Hunters, WA, Eric Rasmussen of Keshena, Brian (special friend, Patricia) Rohr of Keshena, Bradley (Tracy) Rohr of Shawano; 20 grandchildren; 2 great-grandsons; 1 sister, Jane Miller of St. Louis, MO, 2 brothers, Mark Miller of Keshena, Bernard Miller of Fond du Lac; 1 aunt, Arline Creapeau also known as "Aunt Dean"; and several special nieces, nephews and cousins.

Barbara was preceded in death by: 4 grandchildren; her parents; and 10 brothers.

Funeral services were held Thursday, July 13, 2006 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Neopit with the Rev. David Kiefer officiating. Burial of cremated remains in the St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery.

Swedberg Funeral Home, Shawano, WI assisted the family with the arrangements.

The family would like to thank the Shawano Hospice, Irene Waubanascum from the Menominee Tribal Clinic, and Father David Kiefer for the care given to Barbara.

Tonnan, Betty Jane Stevens
June 10, 1939 – July 11, 2006

Betty Jane Stevens Tonnon, 67, passed away Tuesday, July 11, 2006. Born June 10, 1939 in Oneida, WI. Betty lived most of her life in Chicago.

Survivors include sons, Lyle, Gerald, Paul, daughter, Roberta, and grandchildren, Paul Jr., Tannara, Christopher, Lyle Jr., Michael, Anthony, Samantha, father Louie Webster,

Brothers, Robert (Little Man) Ada Webster, Oneida, Joyce (Pies) Butch King, Oneida, Darrold (Boss) Webster, Veronica Webster, Green Bay, Tom & Kitty Webster, Oneida, Ronald (Slab) Webster, Green Bay, Danny (Diggy) Webster, Green Bay, Judy & Arlon Bozeman, Green Bay, Doreen Reed, Oneida, Marie Moreno, Chicago, many nieces, nephews and cousins, Aunt Cubby & Arlin Wilbur, Oneida, Uncle Luke Stevens, Oneida.

Preceded in death by spouse, Willie, mother, Mary (Stevens) Webster, sisters and brothers, grandparents Luke & Elizabeth Stevens, other aunts and uncles.

Services were held Thursday, July 13, 2006 with Deacon Bobby Doxtator officiating.

Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth Street De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements.

Kurowski, Anna Elizabeth
May 24, 1924 – July 6, 2006



Anna Elizabeth Kurowski was welcomed home to her Heavenly Father in the early morning hours on Thursday, July 6, 2006. Anna lived the last three years of her life as a resident of Good Shepherd Nursing Home, where she received the best of care from all the staff. She was born May 24, 1924, in Green Bay, to Andrew and Josephine (Skenadore) Steinfeldt. Anna served her country in the U.S. Navy during World War II. She was privileged to be a member of the American Legion, Post #539 and was a charter member of the W.A.V.E.S. National Packerland Unit #116. The greatest joy for Anna was spending time with her family and fulfilling her desire to help others and ask for nothing in return. In 1950, Anna married Edward Kurowski who preceded her in death on Aug. 3, 1977. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Anna had a special gift of entertaining. She brought laughter and wonderful memories for her loved ones with her endless stories and old-time songs. She lived life with a continuous spirit of giving to anyone in need.

Anna is survived by nine sons and five daughters-in-law, Alex and Charmane Kurowski, Little Suamico; Dr. Peter and Janice Kurowski, Missouri; Stanley Kurowski, Eddie and Linda Kurowski, Andrew and Lori Kurowski, Paul and Sandy Kurowski, George Kurowski, all of Green Bay; Robert Reetz, Eddie Moede, both of Shawano; two daughters and sons-in-law, Vicky and Joe Deer, Keshena; Theresa and Bob Smith, all of Green Bay; two brothers and one sister-in-law, Andrew "Toby" Steinfeldt, Green Bay; Ralph and Julie Ann Steinfeldt, Arizona; three sisters, Lorraine Robb, Green Bay; Arlene Abraham, Arizona; Joan Daniels, Milwaukee; a sister-in-law, Calla Steinfeldt; a brother-in-law, Donald Stanchik; 21 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Christina; her parents, Andrew and Josephine Steinfeldt; two brothers, David and Robert Steinfeldt; two sisters, Evelyn Stanchik and Emma Maske.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 11 at the funeral home with Rev. Todd Jerabek of Zion Lutheran, Embarrass, Wis., officiating. Burial was in Cady Cemetery, town of Lawrence.

Blaney Funeral Home, 1521 Shawano Ave., assisted the family with arrangements. To send online condolences, please go to www.blaneyfuneralhome.com.

The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to all of the staff of Good Shepherd Nursing Home for their tender care of our mother. Also we extend our gratitude to Pastor Todd Jerabek from Zion Lutheran of Embarrass, Wis., for the pastoral care provided to our mother.

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The family of Arthur Webster would like to express a heartful thanks to all those whom stopped by the house to visit, those whom shared in singing the beautiful hymns and traditional songs, to the drum groups that came to sing on dad's back porch, and to those whom shared a story with our father before his passing into the Creator's land. We also want say a special thank you to those whom expressed condolences, sent flowers, and donated food. Thanks to all the fire keepers whom kept the fire going, thanks to the Sonny King family for providing the luncheon, to the Oneida Singers for their beautiful voices. A very special thanks to Evelyn Elm and Warren/ Harriet Reiter families for being there during this most difficult time and for all the help and guidance you provided our family. Thanks to Noni Cottrell, Debbie Ninham, and Opie Day Bedeau for providing the special music at our fathers service. Also thanks to Bob Brown, Leander Danforth, Randy Cornelius, Pastor Alvarado for the good words you shared with our family. Thanks to Kurt Boettcher of Muehl-Boettcher funeral home for your compassionate support. Saying goodbye to a family member is never easy, and words just cannot express our thanks and gratitude to those whom traveled this two week journey with us. May the Creator bless you for all your acts of kindness.

Rita Webster and Children

In Loving Memory of

Nelly Acheson

Happy Birthday on July 27th



Because she was so dear to us
her memory will live on,
Just as the fragrance of a flower
still lingers when it's gone.
The beauty that was hers alone
in thought is with us still,
And in the hearts that love her,
She lives on...
And always will.

We miss you: Love your children, grandchildren and friends

In Loving Memory of



Patricia Stevens

Who left us on July 20, 2001

My Angel Mom

She was my friend, my confidante.
She was loved by everyone who knew her,
And she was described as an "Angel",
By family, friends, and even acquaintances.
She was my own precious angel,
And though I can't see her anymore,
I thank God for the blessing of
His gift to me- My Angel Mom.

Love your daughter Pamela
Les, Conrad, Justin, Alayna, and David

In Loving Memory of

Janessa Lyn Skenandore



May 28, 2005 - July 30, 2005

As the sun shines upon your grave, your little hand will wave, we know that your Uncle Mike in heaven is taking care of you. Just like Mommy and Daddy would do. We love you so, so much, but just to hold you in our arm's again would be such a rush, we loved the way you smiled, made us laugh for a long, long while, or when you sneeze or when you coo, we would hold you in our arms and say "God Bless You"!

Mommy and Daddy miss you a whole lot, but just to hold you will hit they spot. We would never let you go, but your in Uncle Mike's arms now in Heaven with Daddy's Bro! We dream of you and it seems all real, but some people don't understand how Mommy and Daddy feel, but pictures of you help us get through the day and when night comes we kneel down and put our hands together and pray!! P.S. Miss you Baby Janessa

Love,
Mom-Mary Lisa, Dad- Harvey Jr., Brothers- Christopher and Cody, Sis-Jaya

In Loving Memory of…



Brian

7/14/69 – 7/21/96

If tears could build a stairway and memories a lane, I'd walk right up to heaven and bring you home again.

Loved and missed always,
Mom, Norman, brothers, & sisters, aunts & uncles, nieces & nephews, cousins & friends

In Loving Memory of

David Doxtator



He reached down from on high and took hold of me; he drew me out of the deep waters. He rescued me from my powerful enemy. From my foes, who were too strong for me. Then confronted me in the day of disaster, but the Lord was my support. He brought me out into a spacious place.
Psalms 18:16-19

Sadly missed by,
Jimmy, Mom, Grandma, Uncles,
Duane, India, Mick, friends, relatives

Trails and Railroad Tracks Meeting

July 25, 2006, Tuesday 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at Ridgeview Plaza 3759 W. Mason Street in Oneida.

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Wednesday, August 9 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ridgeview Plaza, 3759 W. Mason St. in Oneida.

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From Page 1A/*20 year anniversary*



Kali photos/Cathy Delgado

Above, (l to r): Pam Johns-Danforth, Chairman Gerald Danforth, Patti Hoeft Tribal Secretary, and Hotel Board member Terry Cornelius enjoy refreshments at the reception. At right, an Ice Sculpture of the Oneida Nation logo lit up the center of the reception area for the 20 year Anniversary.

Conference Center and President of the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation. It started with 202 rooms and banquet seating up to 500 people. It has expanded to 409 rooms with a banquet seating of up to 2,000 people and has renamed their restaurants from the Shenandoah, a more formal restaurant, to The Pine Tree Grill which is a more leisure restaurant and from the Three Sisters Restaurant to the Standing Stone Buffet and Grill.

"Operations budget for sales for a year comes in at 18 million dollars." said Broberg. This budget for sales includes guest rooms, food and beverage, all outlets, banquets and meetings. This amount contributes to the generated revenue for the Nation.

Eight President's Awards is what the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center has under its belt in achieving excellence. It's the most prestigious award and "...represents the best of the best for Radissons." said Nancy Johnson, Executive Vice President and Brand Leader for Radisson Hotels and Resorts. The Radisson is marked by its excellent customer service. It is seen as one of the best brands top 68 performing properties selected from among more than 260 Radisson hotels worldwide. Furthermore, the Radisson has also received the Best of MidAmerica Award and is considered one of the top meeting spaces, and convention centers.

Pat Lassila started at the Radisson when it was still the Rodeway Inn. She worked her way up the ladder going from a waitress at the Shenandoah, then Supervisor, Dining Room Manager, Food and Beverage Director, and eventually the President of the Hotel Corporation. She committed 18 years to the Radisson and during that time became certified in Hotel Management.

The Nation was able to go on and expand the Radisson with the Grand Council Iroquois Complex, 100 rooms and the Standing Stone Buffet formerly named the Three Sisters Restaurant at a cost of 11.8 million dollars. It was a joint effort with the Oneida Bingo and Casino in 1996.

One of the accomplishments that Lassila recalls is paying off the original debt of the Radisson Inn before the second expansion of the Radisson in 2001.

Lassila has a vision for the future of the hotel complex and its potential management.

"We need to start training our Indian children, ingrain in them starting in sixth grade" said Lassila. She believes the students should look at what they want to be when they grow up, so that Oneida can provide training that will enhance its future leaders and benefit the tribe as a whole. This can be effectively done by going into the Oneida Elementary School and promoting the career day they schedule every year.

The support of the Business Committee, General Tribal Council and the Hotel Corporation Board is what has made the Radisson such a success and more importantly their staff overall.

"Its hospitality is more than a beautiful building filled with fabulous amenities. It's also about filling that building with great people doing great work said Broberg "I've used the analogy in the past comparing our work to that of a symphony orchestra.. Professionals who like their work and do it very well and have given them the instruments to display their talents. The result is a smooth, almost intuitive flow of great work creating a great experience for our audience, the customer." Broberg said in his welcoming speech at the Anniversary that took place at the Radisson on July 13, 2006.

"One of the highlights for the Radisson is transferring over from a management company to operating it ourselves. It was a three year process." said Lassila.

Today, the Radisson Hotel Board of Directors include President Jim Van Stippen, Trish King, David Bischoff, Terry Cornelius, Matt Kunstman, and Steve Yahnke. They attended the 20th year anniversary along with other dignitaries from the Oneida Business Committee, the state and local representatives.

Features of the evening included a reception, dinner, the unveiling of the new Oneida Pendleton blanket, and the swing music of Big Bad Voodoo Daddy that topped off the evening.

For more on the Oneida Pendleton, please see the Lifestyles section in this issue.

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the voters who can vote for them and they are turning to people who can't vote for them."

McCabe, who estimates $30 million or more will be spent in this year's governor's race, said the high dollars rolling into the campaign will translate into more television ads than ever, both from the candidates and from outside groups.

As of Jan. 1, Doyle had $4.2 million in the bank compared with $2.1 million for Green, reports filed with the state Ethics Board showed. Updated spending reports covering the first six months of this year were due on Thursday.

The largest contributors to Doyle's coffers from 2002 to 2005 were Kenosha businessman Dennis Troha and his family members, the report said. The Troha family gave Doyle $236,842 over that period, the report said.

Troha has partnered with the Menominee and Connecticut-based Mohegan Indian tribes to propose building an $808 million casino complex at the current Dairyland Greyhound Park.

The off-reservation casino must get approval from both Doyle and the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The governor has said the spending by the casino interests would not play a role in his decision on whether to approve the Kenosha casino, should the proposal come to him.

Green has said there is a "dark cloud" over contributions Doyle has received from casino interests the past four years.

Green campaign manager Mark Graul said the report shows Doyle is relying on special interests, including those that do business with the state, to fund his campaign.

"It reeks to high heaven," Graul said.

Doyle campaign spokeswoman Melanie Fonder rejected claims that the governor was beholden to special interests.

"No donation of any kind will influence this governor in any way about any issue," she said.

National interest in the race and general support for the governor's record and positions have fueled the influx of donations, Fonder said.

From 2002 to 2005, gambling interests gave Doyle and the Democratic Party almost $1.3 million, while other candidates received almost nothing, an analysis done in February by the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel showed.

The newspaper's analysis determined that Troha, together with his business associates, have given Doyle more than $300,000 since 2002. The majority of that came from family members, the new Wisconsin Democracy Campaign determined.



Pamela Harms-Stevens
For Oneida Appeals Commission
Or
Gaming Commission

Experience
*14 years of Gaming experience
*11 years of Supervisory/Manager experience
*Knowledge and experience in Game Protection
*Knowledge and experience with the Tribal Policy and Procedures
*Employed at The Oneida Casino, The Grand Victoria Casino (Illinois), and the Potowatomi Casino (Milwaukee)

Education
*Currently attending NWTC in the Criminal Justice Program
*Courses of study completed: Business, Business Law, Accounting, Introduction to Business, Composition I and II, Business Math, Intro to Criminal Justice, Courts and Jurisdictions, Juvenile Law, Community Policing, Speech, Psychology Human Relations, Oral Com., and Math Protective Services.

Background
*Parents: Ernest L. Stevens Sr. And the late Patricia Stevens.

Beliefs
*A strong supporter and believer in the Oneida judicial system and sovereignty
*For the Well Being or our Tribe and our People
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Supported by Ernest L. Stevens Sr. (Former Business Committee Member), Ernest L. Stevens Jr. (Chairman of N.I.G.A), and Rick Hill (Former Chairman of the Oneida Tribe and N.I.G.A)

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Wednesday
August 9, 2006
4 – 8 P.M.
At the
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You are invited to
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There will be two (2) mandatory practices:
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Both practices will start at 6:00 P.M. at the Football field behind the Norbert Hill Center
Please DO NOT SIGN UP if you are UNABLE to attend BOTH PRACTICES!

Appeals

Judicial Duties

What is expected once you have been elected to the judiciary?

The Judicial System has taken action to separate the trial and appellate court. Currently there are ten (10) judicial officers, therefore five (5) are serving at the trial level and five (5) on the appellate level. When a conflict of interest is presented, the court assigns retired or pro-tempore judges to the case, if no other appellate or trial judicial officer is available.

Each court identifies specific training that is required before you can assume the bench. Be aware that much of the training is offered out of state. If you are employed this may require you to use your vacation time or leave without pay. Be prepared to attend 2-3 weeks of training per year.

It is important to note that you can no longer be a member of a tribal board, committee or commission once you take the Oath of Office as a judicial officer. The reason for this is because many of our board, commission or committee decisions are filed at the Appeals Commission and therefore has the potential of a conflict of interest. You are, however, encouraged to gain membership with outside boards, etc, when that membership involves judicial enhancement.

The appellate court reviews trial/original hearing body decisions. The majority of your responsibility will include, reading briefs, laws, reviewing evidence, preparing your opinion and attending scheduled deliberations. Therefore, preparation is vital and can consist of several hours of reading prior to the deliberation or trial. There are five (5) appellate judges for every appeal and each judicial officer is expected to be prepared to discuss their view. It is your responsibility to prepare for the deliberations, which are often held after 5:00 pm.

The trial court conducts hearings. You will need training in interpreting laws, bench skills, objections, how to conduct a trial, opinion writing, evidence - inclusions and exclusions, confidentiality, motions, scheduling, recusal, and others.

RESOLUTION #3-20-92-A

WHEREAS, The Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by laws of the United States, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV, Section 1 of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council, and

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribal Council duly adopted the Oneida Tribal Administrative Procedure Act and the Oneida Appeals Commission on the 19th day of August, 1991, and

WHEREAS, Resolution 8-19-91-A reasserts that the Oneida Appeals Commission and the Oneida Tribal Administrative Procedures Act enhance a separation of powers between the legislative, executive and judicial responsibilities of the Oneida Tribe, and

WHEREAS, Section VI. Of the Oneida Appeals Commission establishment document specifically states that there must be "an independent administration of the Oneida Tribal Judicial System..." and

WHEREAS, Section I., A.l.e., of the Oneida Appeals Commission establishment indicates that "An appointee can not be an administrative staff person for the Oneida Tribe while serving on the Appeals Commission", and

WHEREAS, the term "administrative staff person" was not defined in the Administrative Procedure Act nor in the Oneida Appeals Commission establishment document.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an Administrative Staff person (for purposes of the Appeals Commission only) shall be defined specifically as:

1. General Manager
2. Administrator of Tribal School
3. Director of Oneida Housing Authority
4. General Manager of ORTEK
5. General Manager of Hotel Board
6. Gaming Manager
7. Records Manager
8. Controller
9. Human Resources Manager
10. Chief of Public Safety
11. Director of Communications
12. Manager of Community Development
13. Manger of Economic Development
14. Comprehensive Health Manager
15. Manager of Human Services
16. Environmental Services Director
17. Manager of Educational/Training
19. Management Information Services Manager

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of nine (9) members, of whom 5 members constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the 20th day of March, 1992; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of 4 for, 0 members against, and 0 members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Amelia Cornelius, Secretary
Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI

Oneida Appeals *Quarterly Report*

Submitted by Janice L. McLester

Initial Review Decisions

Rule 9(D) – Criteria for Acceptance: The Initial Review Body shall accept an appeal for appellate review if one or more of the following elements are sufficiently alleged to exist in the original hearing body decision by the Appellant in the Notice of Appeal:

(1) A violation of constitutional provisions;
(2) The decision is outside the scope of the authority or otherwise unlawful;
(3) The decision is clearly erroneous and is against the weight of the evidence presented at the hearing level;
(4) The decision is arbitrary and/or capricious;
(5) There is exhibited a procedural irregularity which would be considered a harmful error that may have contributed to the final decision, which if the error had not occurred, would have altered the final decision;
(6) There is a presentation or introduction of new evidence that was not available at the hearing level, which if available, may have altered the final decision.

*To conserve time and space provided, the Oneida Appeals Commission will only put into print the Initial Review Decisions which have been **denied**. The cases that have been accepted at Initial Review will be published when the final adjudication has been entered.*

Initial Review Decisions

Oneida Human Resources Department-Benefits Crawford Insurance vs. Bert Brandom. Docket No. 06-AC-017, May 24, 2006. Judicial Officers, Janice L. McLester, Winnifred Thomas and Jennifer Webster presiding. The purpose of Initial Review is to answer threshold questions regarding the jurisdiction of the case and the procedural and material sufficiency of the Notice of Appeal according to the Oneida Appeals Commission Rules of Appellate Procedure, Rule 9(B). The Appellant failed to do this. The request for Interlocutory Appeal was mislabeled as an appeal and should have been labeled as a complaint. There was no original hearing body decision. Denied.

Appellate Court Decisions

Amelia Cornelius vs. Oneida Business Committee. Docket No. 05-AC-024, March 28, 2006. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Robert Christjohn, Dorothy Ninham, Lois Powless and Jennifer Webster presiding. On December 8, 2005, Appellant, Amelia Cornelius, filed an appeal against Respondent, Oneida Business Committee, for wrongfully suspending her primary management license on September 20, 1999 and wrongfully terminating her employment agreement. Cornelius requests reinstatement of her employment with back pay. Ms. Cornelius' gaming license appeal was decided on January 23, 2001. The court did not agree with Cornelius' claim concerning the 2001 decision that the Appellate Court statement about a possible settlement entitled Ms. Cornelius to anything. The 2001 decision by the Appellate Court merely noted that she was "eligible." The Appellate Court did not grant Ms. Cornelius any new rights. Therefore, there was no basis for this court to grant any relief to Ms. Cornelius. The case was untimely and was dismissed with prejudice.

Oneida Bingo & Casino, Table Games Department vs. Matt Krisko - Motion to Stay Proceedings and Interlocutory Appeal – Initial Review Decision Docket No. 06-AC-012, April 14, 2006. Judicial Officers Winnifred L. Thomas, Lois Powless and Jennifer Webster presiding. On March 31, 2006, the Oneida Personnel Commission, rendered a decision concerning a written warning in favor of the Respondent, Matt Krisko by remanding the case back to the Area Manager. Oneida Bingo & Casino provided documentation to support their argument that Mr. Krisko failed to follow the required steps in filing an appeal to his Area Manager. The Appellate Body affirms the Area Manager's decision to terminate based on Oneida Appeals Commission Rules of Appellate Procedure, Rule 9 (3) The Initial Review Body may affirm or overturn a single issue decision of an original hearing body where that issue has arisen previously in factually similar circumstances and has been settled as a matter of law by prior decisions of the appellate court, Lavina Orosco vs. Oneida Bingo & Casino Customer Service Department Docket # 02-AC-029.

Oneida Seven Generations Corporation vs. Quality Construction Management, LLC, Kurt Jordan, Chris Fuss and Lance Vanden Heuvel. Docket 05-AC-020 and 05-AC-022, April 18, 2006. Judicial Officers Anita F. Barber, Gerald Cornelius, Lois Powless, Kim Vele and Jennifer Webster presiding. This case involved the application of the Oneida Indian Preference Law, Chapter 57, to a tribally chartered, wholly-owned subordinate organization of the Oneida Tribe, the Oneida Seven Generations Corporation. Quality Construction Management filed suit alleging OSG failed to seek a bid from them, an Indian-owned company resulting in a violation of Chapter 57. Both parties appealed: OSG on the issue of its liability and QCM on the issue of damages. The Appellate Body ruled that OSG was created by the Tribe, wholly owned by the Tribe, subject to the jurisdiction of the Tribe and is capable of exercising governmental functions of the Tribe. OSG is not exempt from Chapter 57 and that the charter makes it clear they are expected to follow tribal laws. OSG did violate Chapter 57 by failing to "give preference" to an Indian-owned business by failing to contact QCM to enter the three bid process. QCM urged the court to award an estimate of lost profits due to OSG failure to follow Chapter 57. The issue here is OSG failed to provide QCM an opportunity to bid. Lost profits may have been appropriate if OSG wrongfully rejected QCM's bid. The trial court found Chapter 57 applied to OSG but ruled that damages were too speculative and therefore awarded attorney fees, but no compensatory or other damages.

Karen Bischoff vs. Oneida Bingo & Casino, Slot Department. Docket No. 06-AC-004, April 18, 2006. Judicial Officers Winnifred L. Thomas, Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless, Marjorie Stevens and Jennifer Webster presiding. The Appellant was terminated for a violation of Section V.D. 2.1 Work Performance (g) Negligence in the performance of assigned duties. Appellant did not return her keys in the key watcher system. She left them in her locker. The Appellant had two accumulated past disciplines in the area of job negligence in May and August of 2005. Appellant failed to prove that she was not negligent in her job duties when she left her keys in her locker on September 24, 2005. This court upholds the November 30, 2005, decision of the Oneida Personnel Commission and grants the Motion to Dismiss.

Oneida Bingo & Casino, Table Games Department vs. Jodi Hoffman – Motion to Stay Proceedings and Interlocutory Appeal – Initial Review Decision Docket No. 06-AC-013, April 20, 2006. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless and Winnifred L. Thomas presiding. This case involved an appeal of a three (3) day suspension of Ms. Hoffman by her employer, Oneida Bingo & Casino. Prior to the grievance hearing granted by the Oneida Personnel Commission, Appellant, Oneida Bingo & Casino filed a Stay of Proceedings and Interlocutory Appeal with the Oneida Appeals Commission. Oneida Bingo & Casino asserted that the April 12, 2006 decision of the Oneida Personnel Commission Initial Review Body was clearly erroneous and against the weight of the evidence as the submitted documentation was not received within the established time lines according to GTC Resolution 2-28-04-A. Section V.D.6.a(4)b "appeal must be filed with the Oneida Personnel Commission within ten (10) working days from employee's receipt of the Area Manager's decision." On March 16, 2006, Ms. Hoffman signed for and received via interoffice certified mail the Area Manager decision to uphold the suspension. Day one (1) to appeal this decision to the Oneida Personnel Commission began on March17, 2006, ten (10) working days ended on March 30, 2006. Ms. Hoffman's appeal was date stamped received on March 31, 2006, resulting in an untimely submission. Area Manager's decision to uphold the suspension was affirmed.

Oneida Bingo & Casino, Table Games/Poker Room vs. Connie Doxtater. Docket No. 06-AC-003, May 8, 2006. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Pearl House, Lois Powless, Winnifred L. Thomas and Jennifer Webster presiding. This case involves the assertion that the Oneida Personnel Commission placed themselves in the position of a supervisor when they overturned the written warning issued to Ms. Doxtater. Ms. Doxtater was issued a Written Warning for Work Performance: Failure to follow Key watcher SOP, a violation of the Key Watcher System Standard Operating procedure. Ms. Doxtater appealed to her area manager, who upheld the written warning. Ms. Doxtater then appealed to the Oneida Personnel Commission, who overturned the written warning deciding that although Ms. Doxtater was involved in the action that precipitated the key watcher violation, Ms. Doxtater was not the direct cause of the violation. Oneida Bingo & Casino, Table Games/Poker Room filed its appeal of this decision to the Oneida Appeals Commission. The Appellate Body of the Oneida Appeals Commission decided that supervisor Shelly Schoen, correctly followed the Disciplinary Action Checklist by investigating the incident, meeting with Ms. Doxtater via phone and in person and discussing the consequences of the violation. Ms. Schoen then issued a written warning to Ms. Doxtater on August 8, 2005. The Gaming Division Key Watcher System Standard Operating Procedures, 3.1.10 states in part: "All personnel involved in key transactions will be held responsible..." In addition 3.6 states "Oneida Bingo and Casino requires every supervisor to administer the required disciplinary action...." The Supervisor has the discretion and is required to issue a disciplinary action commensurate with the seriousness of the unsatisfactory performance of an employee. Shelly Schoen was within her authority and was required to issue a disciplinary action. Written warning reinstated.

Oneida Bingo & Casino, Table Games Department vs. Mary Brocker - Motion to Stay - Initial Review Decision Docket No. 06-AC-015, May 18, 2006. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Winnifred L. Thomas and Jennifer Webster presiding. This case involved Ms. Brocker's voided written warning and the Oneida Personnel Commission's Initial Review decision of May 1, 2006 to return Ms. Brocker to her prior employment site at Highway 54 Casino. Appellant, Oneida Bingo & Casino asserted that the Oneida Personnel Commission acted outside their scope of authority when they reinstated Ms. Brocker to her prior employment site. Due to an untimely response on the part of Ms. Brocker's area manager, the written warning had become voided by the Human Resources Department, rendering Ms. Brocker's request for a grievance hearing moot. The Oneida Personnel Commission, Initial Review Body, reinstated Ms. Brocker to her prior employment site at Highway 54. The Initial Review Body, of the Oneida Appeals Commission found that the Oneida Personnel Commission, Initial Review Body acted outside their scope of their authority when, after the written warning had been voided by the Oneida Human Resource Department, they placed themselves in the position of a supervisor of Ms. Brocker when identifying her employment site. Stay order granted.

Oneida Bingo & Casino, Slot Department vs. Bryant Hill. Docket No. 06-AC-007, June 29, 2006. Judicial Officers Winnifred L. Thomas, Pearl House, Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless and Jennifer Webster presiding. The issues in the grievance hearing focused on whether or not Respondent, Bryant Hill was on probationary status at the time of his termination, the probationary status of Mr. Hill hinged on a job reassignment and whether the effective date of the reassignment was June 5 or July 24, 2005 in lieu of a discipline. The Oneida Personnel Commission, found the reassignment was in lieu of a disciplinary action. The Oneida Personnel Commission found the Area Manager acted outside the scope of his authority to reassign an employee without following the procedures provided in Section III, C.2.b.1.3 of the Oneida Personal Policies and Procedures. This section indicated that although job reassignments may be made at any time with the approval of the Area Manager, this can only be done after a review of each affected job by the Personnel Evaluation Committee. This created a procedural irregularity. The decision of the Oneida Personnel Commission to over turn the termination is affirmed.

Trial Court Decisions

Beverly Skenandore vs. Oneida HRD Benefits, Crawford Insurance. Docket No. 05-TC-154, March 31, 2006. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Anita Barber and Gerald Cornelius presiding.

On December 27, 2005, Petitioner, Beverly Skenandore, filed an appeal against Respondents, Human Resources Department - Benefits, Crawford and Company Insurance, for denial of her claim for Worker's Compensation benefits. Skenandore claims she injured her left knee on September 13, 2005, while at work. Skenandore filed for a $50,000.00 punitive damages claim against Respondents. Crawford Insurance granted Petitioner's medical costs from September to November 2005, but denied the remainder of Petitioner's request. Based on the events leading up to the surgery, the court could not support Ms. Skenandore's theory that her September injury caused her February surgery. However, the court could not rule out that Ms. Skenandore's September injury had absolutely no impact on her surgery. Therefore, Crawford was ordered to restore Ms. Skenandore's personal and vacation time between the period of September 13 to November 20, 2005. Ms. Skenandore's claim for punitive damages was denied.

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Business

Calendar

July 26

GTC Community Metting
***WHEN*:** July 26, 2006
TIME: 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm
PLACE: Oneida Police Department
For more information, contact Mindemoye at **869-1577**

August 2

8th Annual Diabetes Event
WHEN: August 2, 2006
TIME: 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm
PLACE: Lambeau Field Legends Room
An evening of good food, information and motivation to improve your health. Register for prizes including a recumbent bike and a treadmill. Tickets available at the Oneida Community Health Center Diabetes Team Office, **869-4864** and WIC/Nutrition office, **869-4829**

August 4-5

18th Annual Burger Fest & 6th Annual Balloon Rally
WHEN: August 4-5, 2006
TIME: Various
PLACE: Downtown Seymour, Wisconsin
Hot air balloons fly at 6:00pm Friday and Saturday with a balloon glow, and then at 6:00am Saturday and Sunday.
Saturday, August 5th -World's Largest Hamburger Parade 11:00am Hamburger Press Weightlifting Contest, 1:00pm, 60lbs Mini-Burger served at 3:30pm.
Admission is $3 in advance and $6 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. Call **920-833-6688** for tickets.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
***WHEN*:** Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there!
For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Teen Apprenticeship Opportunity

The Oneida Nation Arts Program is sponsoring an arts apprenticeship for teens, ages 14 thru 17 yrs. The teens will be painting benches and picnic tables using their own unique designs inspired by the Oneida culture and their personal experiences under the guidance of master artist, Janet Nelson.

The apprentices will work Monday thru Friday for 2 weeks starting July 31–Aug. 11. They will be paid $6.00 per hour and work 20 to 25 hours per week. Parents/guardian must attend an orientation meeting with the teen apprentice before the apprenticeship begins and provide transportation for their teens during the apprenticeship. To apply, the teen must complete Oneida Arts Program Teen Apprenticeship Questionnaire and HRD Employment application, Job #05085, Youth Apprentice.

The deadline for applying is Monday, July 24.

For more information and to receive the Teen Apprenticeship Questionnaire contact Christine Klimmek at 490-3831 or email cklimmek@oneidanation.org.

Small Business Project

Public Hearing

When: July 25th, 2006

Where: Social Services Bldg. (OLC)

Times: 11:30AM

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

It's all 'About Body' Massage Therapy

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

As a young child, Lee Anne Laes was interested in the health of others.

"My parents always called me Dr. Lee because I was always helping people with problems in their bodies when I was little," she said.

Laes followed her interest by becoming a massage therapist.

However, she didn't start pursuing the career until after spending several years as a graphic artist. "After ten years of sitting at a computer, having postural distortions, I created a hump, so I no longer sit straight," she said.

She went through six months of physical therapy to correct her posture, but felt she received more benefit from massages given by a friend who had recently graduated as a massage therapist.

"I know how many people are on computers today", she said. Laes thought massage therapy would be more effective to help people. While she found the courses at Blue Sky in De Pere to be challenging, she discovered that she had a talent for the profession.

"The gift I've been given is through touch. I can read people's bodies." said Laes who has been a massage therapist for three years.

She opened About Body in November in the old Schroeder's Grocery Store at W127 Service Road in Oneida. "I really like this building, it has a unique character." said Laes.

The business has two other massage therapist and an aesthetician for facial and body wraps. They're looking into expanding their services to include manicures, pedicures and a viche shower room as well as tea and Door County Coffee.

About Body also sells organic deodorant and body salves and will carry shampoos and conditioners.

"What you put on the outside of your body is also as important as what you put on the inside of your body," she said.

Laes specializes in neuromuscular therapy (NMT) massage and offers hot stone massage as well.

"Primarily what I like is that I can help people. I can really make a difference in their lives with pain management, with keeping healthy," she said.



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Massage therapist Leeann Laes gives co-worker Tane' Gerondale a massage at About Body located in the old Schroeder's Grocery Store.

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Martin James Antone vs. Mark King, President Oneida Police Commission, Gary Metoxen, Oneida Police Commission, Bev Anderson, Oneida Police Commission, Arlene Danforth, Oneida Police Commission, David Webster, Oneida Police Commission. Docket No. 06-TC-020, April 5, 2006. Judicial Officers, Mary Adams, Robert Christjohn and Gerald Cornelius presiding.
On February 27, 2006, Petitioner, Martin James Antone, filed a Motion for Injunction to stop the Respondent, Oneida Police Commission, from alleged violations of the Blue Book, Law Enforcement Ordinance, and Police Department's hiring SOP. In addition, he alleges violations of the Soldier Sailor Relief Act. On March 30, 2006, a hearing was held on Antone's application in accordance with Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 31(F)(2). Antone requested peacemaking. The court agreed and allowed 45-days for the peacemaking process. However, after reviewing this case, it was evident that Antone failed to exhaust his grievance remedies available through the Oneida Police Department and Police Commission. Antone's motion for an injunction was denied. Antone had not exhausted his remedies through the Oneida Police Department and Police Commission. Therefore, this case was dismissed without prejudice.
Jack Brindle vs. Human Resource Department-Benefits. Docket No. 06-TC-001, April 7, 2006. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Anita Barber and Gerald Cornelius presiding. On January 03, 2006, Petitioner, Jack Brindle, filed a complaint against Respondent, Human Resource Department - Benefits, for denying Worker's Compensation benefits for his alleged work injury. Respondent approved Brindle's Worker's Compensation claim from date of injury to October 5, 2005. Respondent is denying Worker's Compensation coverage for medical and any other related expenses after October 5, 2006. At the April 6, 2006 hearing both parties agreed to dismiss this claim because a settlement agreement was reached. The case was dismissed.
Rick Cornelius vs. Oneida Police Commission. Docket No. 05-TC-153, May 8, 2006. Judicial officers Mary Adams, Robert Christjohn and Lois Powless presiding. On September 28, 2005, Appellant, Rick Cornelius, the former Chief of Police, filed an appeal of a Written Warning he received on August 29, 2005. The Respondents are the Oneida Police Commission acting in their supervisory role. After originally being filed as an appeal, the Appellate Court transferred the case, Rick Cornelius vs. Oneida Police Commission, Docket # 05-AC-019, 12/13/05 to the trial court. The court decided that the Police Commission has the authority to appoint, suspend and terminate, which includes the lesser power of written warnings. The Police Commission clearly has supervisory authority over the Chief of Police and can terminate the employment relationship as provided in the ordinance. The court upheld Cornelius' written warning.
In re the Removal of Nancy Cook. Docket 06-TC-032, May 16, 2006. Judicial Officers, Leland Wigg-Ninham, Gerald Cornelius and Anita Barber presiding. This case involves the Oneida Personnel Commission right to invoke the Oneida Removal Law on one of it's members, Nancy Cook and her qualifications to sit as a Personnel Commissioner. The Oneida Personnel Commission received a written allegation that questioned Ms. Cook's ability to serve on the Oneida Personnel Commission because of her past record. On December 30, 2005, the Oneida Personnel Commission held a meeting and passed a resolution stating that Ms. Cook was qualified to sit on the OPC. Since that resolution contained none of the elements of the Removal Law, and did not meet the requirements of Chapter Four (4) of the Removal Law, the case was dismissed.
Maurisa Coran vs. Bill Wild, Dr. William Stempski, Oneida Community Health Center. Docket No. 06-TC-031, May 17, 2006. Judicial Officers Leland Wigg-Ninham, Anita Barber and Gerald Cornelius presiding. The Petitioner, Maurisa Coran, requested the Oneida Appeals Commission to issue a Temporary Restraining Order and an Injunction against the actions of the Respondents. After questioning of the Petitioner it was determined by the Hearing Panel that the Petitioners claims were being adjudicated at the Oneida Personnel Commission. The Petitioner's request for the court to issue a Temporary Restraining Order and Injunction were dismissed without prejudice.
Rick Cornelius vs. Oneida Police Commission. Docket No. 06-TC-002, May 17, 2006. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Robert Christjohn and Gerald Cornelius presiding. On January 18, 2006, Appellant, Rick Cornelius, the former Chief of Police, filed an appeal of his termination received on December 20, 2005 from the Oneida Police Commission. Respondent is the Oneida Police Commission acting in a supervisory role. The court scheduled a Motions Hearing for May 11, 2006. The trial court ruled, Chapter 37, the Law Enforcement Ordinance, specifically includes the right for all other law enforcement officers the right to appeal, but does not afford the Chief the same right. In addition, Chapter 37 specifically includes the Police Commission' s right to suspend or remove the Chief. The Police Commission terminated the Chief, thereby removing him, which is within their authority. The court granted Respondent's Motion to Dismiss.
Wells Fargo Financial Acceptance vs. James M. Younger. Docket No. 06-TC-037, June 26, 2006. Judicial Officers Leland Wigg-Ninham, Mary Adams and Robert Christjohn presiding.
This case involves a request by Wells Fargo Financial Acceptance to repossess an automobile belonging to the Respondent, James Younger who lives within the original boundaries of the Oneida Reservation. In some limited cases, the Oneida Appeals Commission does have original jurisdiction. In this case the absence of a law to adjudicate this matter does not exist therefore, the court dismissed the case without prejudice.
Complete copy of the decisions can be obtained at the Oneida Appeals Commission offices.

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Uniquely Oneida Pendleton unveiled at Radissons' 20th Anniversary

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

The unveiling of a new Pendleton brand blanket that honors and represents the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin couldn't have been revealed at a more appropriate event.

The unveiling which coincided with the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center's 20th Anniversary Celebration on July 13, took place in the Three Clans ballroom with several dignitaries in attendance.

In their pursuit for an Oneida design to be made into a Pendleton Blanket, the Oneida Retail Department called upon Oneida artists to create a culturally specific theme to be judged in a design contest.

Six artists participated in the contest.

The winning design is the creation of artist Dawn Dark Mountain and is entitled, "Land of the Oneida". Dark Mountain, an Oneida Tribal member, resides in Madison, Wisconsin.

The blanket, explained the artist, "Honors the Oneida's of Wisconsin. Bear, wolf and turtle clans rest upon the Oneida Tribal Belt beneath the sky dome as they journey to Wisconsin to create a new homeland under the tree of peace."

Oneida Retail is currently taking pre-orders for the blanket which will be a limited edition of 250 signed and numbered blankets. The Pendleton Blanket will not be available until October 2006. Sales have been brisk as about half of the 250 have already been sold.



Kali photos/Yvonne Kaquatosh

Above, Oneida Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes along with Lance Broberg, President of the Radisson Hotel Corporation, had the distinct honor of unveiling an Oneida original Pendleton Blanket during the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center's 20th Anniversary celebration.
Left: The Pendleton entitled "Land of the Oneida" was designed by artist Oneida Dawn Dark Mountain of Madison, Wisconsin. It symbolizes the journey of the three clans of the Oneida, the turtle, bear and wolf, from their homeland of New York state to Wisconsin.

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August 5, 2006 • Lambeau Field

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Wednesday, July 26, 2006
Wednesday, August 2, 2006

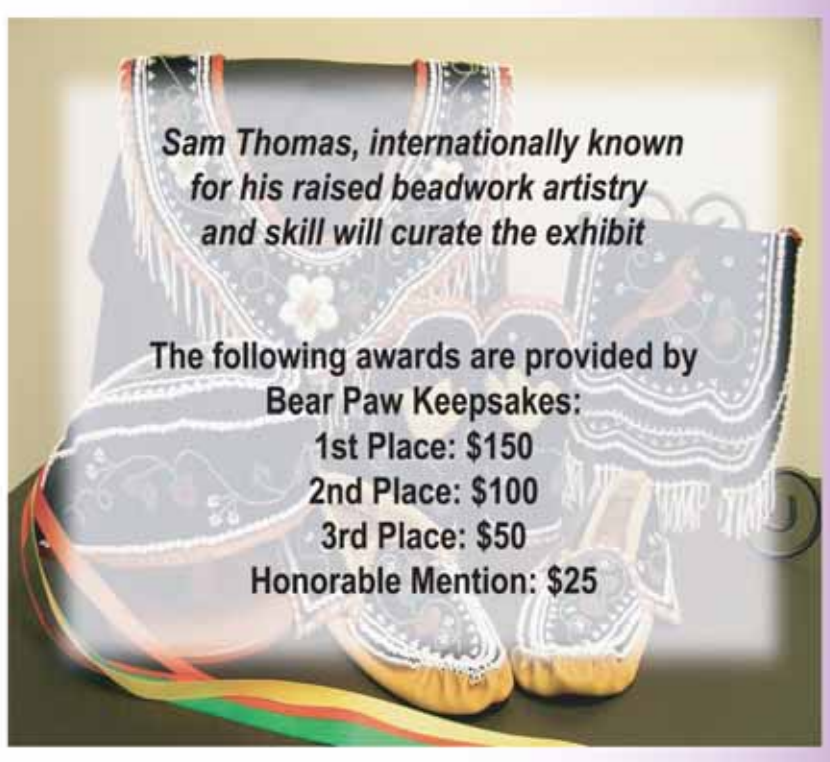
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Cancellation Notice of Special Election

Saturday * July 22, 2006

Rescheduled to:

Saturday
August 26, 2006
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Oneida Police Department
2783 Freedom Road Oneida, Wisconsin

Pow wow Results

Winners of the 34th Annual Oneida Pow-wow

7-12 Years Girl's Traditional
5th –Tianna Hackett-Oneida, WI
4th-Rachel Ninham –Green Bay, WI
3rd-Para Roberts-ADA, OK
2nd -Kennesha R. Funmaker-Baraboo, WI
1st-Renee B. Cleveland-Eau Claire, WI

7-12 Years Girl's Jingle
5th- Hodazha Pidgeon-Chicago, IL
4th-Raena Lasley-Montour, IA
3rd -Casandra R. Cleveland-Eau Claire, WI
2nd -Sage O'Kimosh-Keshena, WI
1st-Waskwane W. Stonefish-Peshawbestown, MI

7-12 Years Girls Fancy
5th-Maria Ann Webster-Keshena, WI
4th-OkeTwshe Roberts-Atwood, OK
3rd -Sierra Crystal Cleveland-Eau Claire, WI
2nd-Sky Black Kettle-Calgary, AB
1st -Beedoskah S. Stonefish-Peshawbestown, MI

7-12 Years Boy's Traditional
5th -Doug Long-Osseo, WI
4th-Alex Frechette-Shawano, WI
3rd-Triston C. Lasley-Tama, IA
2nd-Michael Fish Jr.-Keshena, WI
1st-Parrish Brazelton-La Crosse, WI

7-12 Years Boys Grass
5th-Gerald Diamond II-Green Bay, WI
4th-Brannen Raine-Fort Macleod, Alberta, Canada
3rd-Charles L. Belisle-Dearborn, MI
2nd-Jordan White Eagle-Baraboo, WI
1st-Jaycob Lou Johnson-Oneida, WI

7-12 Years Boy's Fancy
5th-Nayeezaka Jack-Fort Hall, Idaho
4th-Delano F. Cleveland-Lyndon Station, WI
3rd-Albert King Jr.-Oneida, WI
2nd-Terrance G. Cleveland-Lyndon Station, WI
1st-Courage B. Cleveland-WI Dells, WI

Teen Girl's Tradional
5th-Myriah C. Summers-Oneida, WI
4th-Neset L. Vega-Oneida, WI
3rd-Rochelle Mann-Tomah,WI
2nd-Anna Helen Spotted Wolf-Clinton, OK
1st-Verlina Black Kettle-Calgary, AB

Teen Girl's Jingle
5th-Keanna R. King-Keshena, WI
4th-Angela M. Hart-Cumberland, WI
3rd-Cheyenne R. Petoskey-Peshawbestown, MI
2nd-Yasiman M. Metoxen-Oneida, WI
1st-Summer D. Hindsley-Cumberland, WI

Teen Girl's Fancy
5th-La Donna M. King-Oneida, WI
4th-Veela Abrahamson-Fort Hall, Idaho
3rd-Shibabe Hodge-Elk -Brave Village, IL
2nd-Anhinga L. Whitecloud-Black River Falls, WI
1st-Nyomi Lee Cleveland-WI Dells, WI

Teen Boy's Traditional
5th-Jamie Begay-Chicago, IL
4th-Cody Belisle-Dearborn, MI
3rd-Austin Benton-Hayward, WI
2nd-Albert Brooks Hindsley-WI Dells, WI
1st-Adakai Hindsley-WI Dells, WI

Teen Boy's Grass
5th-Chayan J. Mahkimetas-Shawano, WI
4th-Daniel Allen Gutierrez-Green Bay, WI
3rd-Pita Frechette-Shawano, WI
2nd-Joseph High Eagle Baldwin-Fort Hall, Idaho
1st-Peanutt Roberts-Atwood, OK

Boys Teen Fancy
4th-Dakota R. Whitewater, Sparta, WI
3rd-Dohnavan Waupoose-Keshena, WI
2nd-Dontay Cleveland, Eau Claire, WI
1st-Rick Cleveland Jr.-Lyndon Station, WI

Women's Traditional
5th-Bianca D. Whitecloud-Black River Falls, WI
4th-Angie Hindsley-Baraboo, WI
3rd-Denise Logan-Milwaukee, WI
2nd-Cheryl J. funmaker-Wi Dells, WI
1st-Vanny D. Wheelock-Green Bay, WI

Women's Jingle
5th-Dorothy E. Crowfeather-MPLS. MN
4th-KC L. Hindsley-St. Paul, MN
3rd-Rowena Roberts-Atwood, OK
2nd-Rebecca Roberts-ADA, OK
1st-Willowjack, Fort Hall, Idaho

Women's Fancy
5th-Michelle Lonechild-Calgary, AB
4th-Crystal Cleveland-Eau Claire, WI
3rd-Star Lasley-Montour, IA
2nd-Rose Track –Green Bay, WI
1st-Nahmi Lasley-Tama, IA

Men's Traditional
5th-Ronnie Dee Goodeagle Jr.-Oneida, WI
4th-Wendell L. Powless-Odanah WI
3rd-Charles L. Belisle-Dearborn, MI
2nd-Charles Hindsley-WI Dells, WI
1st-Adrian G. Klein

Men's Grass
5th-Mascys Padron-Green Bay, WI
4th-Dale Roberts-Atwood, OK
3rd-William Hindsley-Cumberland, WI
2nd-Dakota McBurk-Sacramento, CA
1st-Ronnie Preston-Green Bay, WI

Men's Fancy
5th-Travis D.Lovett-Atlanta,GA
4th-Tyler C. Lasley-Tama, IA
3rd-Michael Roberts-ADA, OK
2nd-Darrel Hill-Milwaukee, WI
1st-Jerry L. Cleveland Jr.

Golden Age Women
5th-Linda Nockideneh-Oneida, WI
4th-Pat Logan-Milwaukee, WI
3rd-Myrtle F. Long-Osseo, WI
2nd-Debbie A. Klein-Taylor, MI
1st- Iris TC Cleveland-Mauston, WI

Golden Age Men
5th-Allen Pay-Kwin-Albquerque, NM
4th-Herman Logan-Milwaukee, WI
3rd-Patrick Spotted Wolf-Cuwtin, OK
2nd-Evan Lonechild-Calgary, AB
1st-Gerald Cleveland Sr.-Mauston, WI

Drums
5th- The Feather-Tama, IA
4th-Black Bear Crossing-BlackDuck, MN
3rd- Pipestone-Stone Lake, WI
2nd- BearHeart-WI Dells, WI
1st- Blackfoot Confederacy-Browning, MT

Smoke Dance Girls 7-17
5th-Waswane W. Stonefish-Peshawbestown, MI
4th-Jessica Jean House-Oneida, WI
3rd-Heather L. Watts-Ontario, Canada
2nd-Beecloskah S. Stonefish-Peshawbestown, MI
1st-La Donna King-Oneida, WI

Smoke Dance Boys 7-17
5th-Eli Aaron Ninham-Green Bay, WI
4th-Alexander George Andrew Hill-Oneida, Ontario
3rd-William H. Belisle-Dearborn, MI
2nd-Anthony Stewart General-Six Nations, Ontario
1st-Jaycob Lou Johnson-Oneida, WI

Smoke Dance Women
5th-Sarah J. Tallcheif-Salamanca, NY
4th-Christine Cottrell- Oneida, WI
3rd-Chantel Tracy Doxtator-Oneida, WI
2nd-Toni House-Oneida, WI
1st- Michelle B. Hill-Oneida, WI

Smoke Dance Men
5th-Brian A. Doxtator-Oneida, WI
4th- Lunynt S. Metoxen-Oneida, WI
3rd-Luwasanahawi Danforth-Seymour, WI
2nd-Kayukwaliyo J. Danforth-Seymour, WI
1st-Frazer Phillips Sundown-Oneida, Ontario



On behalf of the Powwow Committee we would like to thank all the departments and individuals who made this another successful Powwow. Special thanks to OPD, GIS, DPW, NHC, maintenance and custodial, purchasing, accounting staff, communications, and all our volunteers. Thanks also to the OBC and Brian Doxtater for providing the feasts Friday and Saturday. The weather was good and everyone had a safe enjoyable experience. If you have any questions please contact me at 920-869-4517. A special thank you to the powwow committee members. Tonya Webster, Donna Richmond, Maureen Metoxen, Lynn Summers, Ben Vieau, Tracy Metoxen, and Christine Klimmek.

Lloyd E Powless Jr.
Powwow Committee Chairman

Health

Two birds identified with west nile virus in brown county

By Eric Krawczyk, Health Officer
Oneida Community Health Center

Public health agencies in Brown County report that two crows have tested positive for West Nile Virus. These positive tests mean that residents of Brown County need to be more vigilant in their personal protective measures to prevent mosquito bites. West Nile Virus is spread to humans through the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes get the virus by feeding on infected birds.

Brown County residents should be aware of West Nile Virus and take some simple steps to protect themselves against mosquito bites. The best way to avoid the disease is to reduce exposure to mosquito bites and eliminate breeding grounds for mosquitoes through the following practices:

- Avoid being outside during times of high mosquito activity, more likely at dawn and dusk
- Wear light-colored clothing such as long pants, loose-fitting long-sleeved shirts and tuck pants in socks when outdoors.
- When outdoors, use and effective mosquito repellent containing an active ingredient, such as DEET.
- Eliminate containers, old tires, and other means of collecting water from yards in order to reduce breeding of mosquitoes.

The majority of people (80%) who are infected with West Nile Virus do not get sick. Those who do become ill usually experience mild symptoms such as fever, headache, or rash. Less than 1% people infected with the virus get seriously ill. No humans have been identified with West Nile virus in Wisconsin thus far this mosquito season.

Brown County public health agencies, in cooperation with the Wisconsin Division of Public Health, will continue surveillance for West Nile virus until the end of the mosquito season.

Testing of dead birds will be discontinued according to standard state protocol, however, residents may still call in sick or dead crows, blue jays, or ravens to the Dead Bird Reporting Hotline to **1-800-433-1610.**

For further information, please visit the website at: **Http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/communicable/WestNileVirus**

Frequently asked questions…

Q. Is DEET safe?
A. Yes, products containing DEET are very safe when used according to the instructions. Also the American Academy of Pediatrics has recommended use of DEET products on children older than 2 months. "Insect repellents containing DEET with a concentration of 10% appear to be as safe as products with concentrations of 30% when used according to directions on the labels."

Q. Can DEET products be used with sun screen?
A. The CDC believes it is safe to use both products at the same time. Apply sun screen first, followed by the insect repellent containing DEET

Q. Can I used combination sun screen/DEET based insect repellent?
A. Because the instructions for safe use of DEET and safe use of sun screen are so different, CDC does not recommend using combinations with DEET and sun screen in the same product.

Q. When should I use mosquito repellent with DEET?
A. Use mosquito repellent when mosquito's are around you, especially around dusk and dawn. But mosquito's are everywhere and can be found during the daytime. The best way to be protected is to wear repellent with DEET anytime when outdoors. Remember to apply as the directions say. It can also be sprayed over clothing.

OCHC Ombudsperson Program Report for May, June 2006

Submitted by Deborah Thundercloud
OCHC Ombudsperson

The Oneida Community Health Center and Behavioral Health Ombudsperson's Program began on February 27, 2006. It is the goal of the Ombudsperson's Program to improve the health, safety, welfare and rights of Oneida Community Health Center and Behavioral Health Patients.

The following reports represent the activities of the program for the months of May and June. The Ombudsperson can be contacted by patients or their legal representatives with concerns about their rights, care, services or other concerns. The program is completely confidential.

Please contact Deborah Thundercloud, Ombudsperson at (920) 869-4569 or 1-800-236-2868.

May 2006 Monthly Report

Patient Demographics:

Patient complaints logged……8
(Formal complaints received with request to investigate)
Complainants……7 Female/1 Male

Patient Gender	6 Female
	1 Male
Patient Age	1 Child
	5 Adults
	1 Elder
Oneida Members	6
Non-Oneida Employees	1
Other Native American	0

Unlogged Complaints……2
(Informal complaints received without a request to investigate)
Complainants 2 Females

Complaint Categories:

Pharmacy (Customer Service, Med. error)	3
Complaint Process (OCHC)	1
Medical – Customer Service	1
HIPPA Violation	1
Contracting Process/Administration	1

Unlogged – BH Treatment Plan, wheelchairs

Trends:

This is the third month in a row that the Pharmacy continues to get the most complaints. In the month of June an interactive voice response system is to be implemented for all users. It is currently in a "pilot phase" with users from Home Health only. This system will allow patients to call in their prescriptions. It will "flag" prescriptions that cannot be refilled so that patients can call a pharmacist and get the information they need in order to get a refill. When the prescription is entered it will give you an automated pick-up time based on the time it is submitted. I will be submitting some articles in the Kalihwisaks to help educate the Public on tips to help your experience with Pharmacy be more successful.

Customer Service also continues to be a problem. The Administration has agreed to develop a Customer Service Training Program for all personnel. Complainants are looking to be treated with Dignity and Respect.

Productivity Report:

8 Complaints were received in the month of May
5 Complaints closed-out from previous months
3 Administrative/Staff Interviews were conducted
2 employees of OCHC
1 employee of OBH
5 Investigations were conducted
14 meetings were held to follow-up on investigations
2 meetings were held to report out findings of investigations
Attended Nursing Home Board Meeting to discuss merger with Health Board.
Attended Monthly Health Board Meeting
Attended meeting regarding Peacemaking opportunities

Categories of Administrative Complaints:
OCHC – Harassment of Employees by Customers
OBH – Employee Harassment – referred to Personnel Process
Coordination/Discontinuation of Services for a client

Trends in Administrative Issues:

I have agreed to write an article to educate the Oneida Public on the need for patients/customers to treat employees of the OCHC and OBH Programs with dignity and respect. This month I have received lists of names and descriptions of events where customers in the Dental and Pharmacy areas harassed and belittled employees. I have asked for this information to be logged so that we can address those customers. No one wants to be mistreated.

Continuous Improvement:

– Researching/Investigating past 5 years of Physician Departures
– Working with Team on a Single Point of Entry/Coordination of Services Strategy
– Research Vocational Rehabilitation Program Policies and Procedures
– Research Medication Error Policies and Procedures
– Research Comprehensive Community Services Model offered to Tribal Govts. Via State of Wisconsin
– Completed and submitted Graduate School Application
– Developed Program Operational Plan and Budget for FY 07

June 2006 Monthly Report

Patient Demographics:

Patient complaints logged……8
(Formal complaints received with request to investigate)
Complainants……6 Female/2 Male

Patient Gender	5 Female
	3 Male
Patient Age	1 Child
	5 Adults
	2 Adolescents
Oneida Members	8
Other Native American	0

Unlogged Complaints……4
(Informal complaints received without a request to investigate)
Complainants 3 Female / 1 Male

Complaint Categories:

Pharmacy	2
Behavioral Health	2
Medical/Pediatric Triage	1
Over booking Physician Schedules	1
Billing	1
Dental	1

Unlogged Complaints – personnel referrals (2), departmental referral (1), elderly referral (1).

Trends:

Customer Service/Professionalism of staff interacting with patients was the top concern this month. Complaints for Pharmacy, Behavioral Health, Medical and Dental were all Customer Service related. Administration has agreed to develop and implement a Customer Service Training Program for all staff. I will meet with them to find out what progress has been made to date.

The Vision of the Oneida Community Health Center (OCHC); which includes Behavioral Health, is to have Healthy Citizens. OCHC has historically strived for patient-focused care and making patients feel cared for and appreciated. There is a strong correlation between a patients healing and their emotional and social environment. When Patients receive poor Customer Service; this slows their healing process. When they receive good Customer Service; their healing goes faster and they are less likely to have negative set-backs in their healing process. If the Vision is truly to have Healthy Citizens — the entire OCHC Team must engage in providing positive experiences for their Patients/Customers.

Appointment Scheduling (Over booking, cancellations and re-scheduling) were the next highest source of complaint this month. Apparently Physicians are "taking - on" additional patient loads which leads to additional wait times for patients that were previously scheduled because other patients are being squeezed in. Patients want to know why Physicians are constantly being over-booked. Are there Policies that require "notice" for time off so this can be avoided? Are all patients being treated fairly and consistently - or do some receive favors and get "squeezed" into the schedule? In Dental; patients are still being told to "call back" numerous times before an appointment is scheduled. When is this going to be corrected? Dental is cancelling and rescheduling appointments that are all mixed up. Who is handling this? Why isn't there any improvement? Shouldn't this be a basic function that someone is responsible to organize and track? With all of the errors it doesn't appear so.

Productivity Report:

8 Complaints received in the Month of June
2 Complaints Closed-Out from previous months
2 Administrative/Staff Interviews were conducted
2 employees of OCHC
5 Investigations were conducted
7 Meetings were held to follow-up on investigations
1 Meeting was held to report out findings of an investigation
1 Meeting regarding Peacemaking attended
3 Meetings regarding Indian Child Welfare Eligibility Requirements

Categories of Administrative Complaints:
OCHC – Personnel Referrals (2)
OBH – Indian Child Welfare Eligibility

Trends:

I am seeing an increase in personnel related matters coming to my office. The purpose of the Ombudsperson's Program is to receive and investigate complaints regarding Patient Care or Patient Rights. All personnel matters will be referred back to the Personnel Policies and Procedures to follow the Chain of Command.

I strongly encourage Director's, Manager's, Team Leader's and all others in Leadership Positions; with Supervisory responsibilities to take this part of your job duties and responsibilities seriously. When employment related matters are not dealt with (annual reviews, performance issues, job description changes, salary adjustments, etc.) they create instability and chaos in the work environment. Ignoring or "putting these matters off" to the side is very unhealthy for any organizations culture. All employees look for honest feedback and development opportunities. In the OCHC Strategic Plan it is recognized that OCHC wants to be a "good employer" encouraging and supporting staff. Sometimes this calls for the very "sensitive" discussions around performance improvement or unfortunately; disciplinary action when warranted. This is an important job function and expectation of any Supervisor. Just as important; is the recognition of those staff who show exemplary performance; who go above and beyond the call of duty. Who share new, innovative thoughts and ideas to advance the organization in its Mission, Vision and Objectives. The "Excellence in Action" Program provides a great opportunity for this.

Continuous Improvement:

– Researching/Investigating past 5 years of Physician Departures
– Working with Team on a Single Point of Entry/Coordination of Services Strategy
– Working with Team to redefine "Indian Family" and to recommend options for servicing those not currently recognized.
– Recommended Complaint Process Policy changes to the Oneida Health Board.

Put the Points in Your Favor

Please join us for the 8th Annual Diabetes Event at the Lambeau Field Legends Room, for an evening of good food, healthful information and motivation to improve your health.

August 2, 2006 4:30pm to 8:30pm

Master of Ceremonies:
Tim Moureau, RN, NP, CDE
Featured Speakers:
Dr. Michael Flood, Internal Medicine, OCHC
Panel discussion with community members affected by diabetes
and
Bill McConkey
Motivational Speaker and Humorist

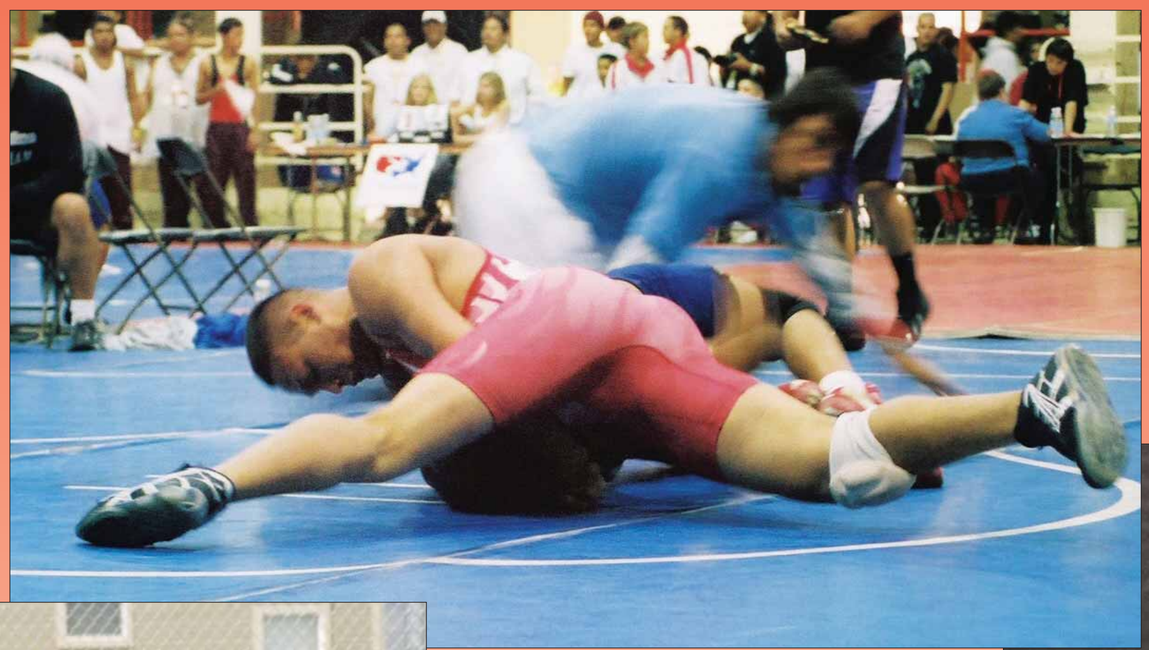
Register for Prizes including: Recumbent Bike (2)
Treadmill
Sponsored by: Oneida Community Health Center Diabetes Grant
Tickets Available at the Oneida Community Health Center:
Greeters Desk,
Diabetes Team office (869-4864)
WIC/Nutrition office (869-4829)
Tickets Price $5.00 Per Person - CASH ONLY

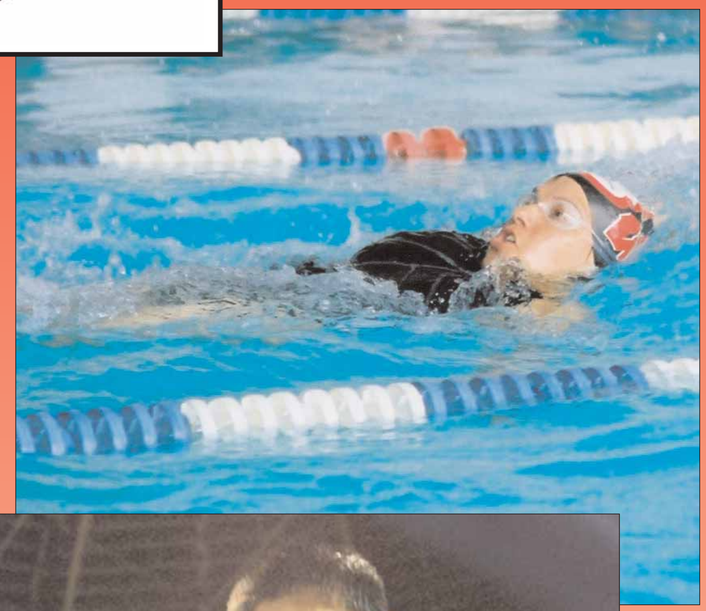
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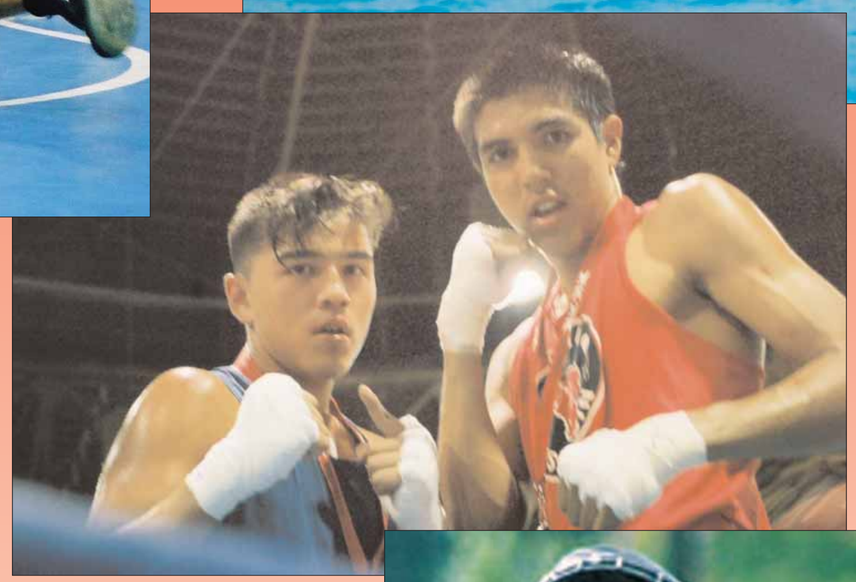
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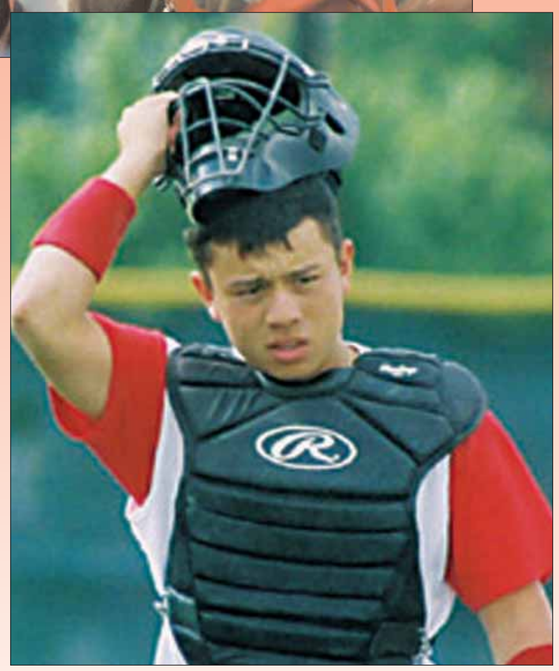
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(Clockwise from upper left) Joe Mehojah participated in the Track and Field for the Wisconsin team at the Native American Indigenous Games 2006 and also was part of winning the Gold Medal in the 400 Meter Relay.

Kameron Matchopatow took the Bronze medal for wrestling in the Native American Indigenous Games 2006 in the 141 lbs. weight division in Denver, Colorado.

Barb Kolitsch takes the Gold Medal in the 200 Meter Individual Medley in the senior division for the Native American Indigenous Games 2006. She had a time of 2:45.2

DJ Denny (right) stands poised as he takes the Silver Medal for the boxing competition at the NAIG 2006.

(Lower right) Jeffrey S. Skenandore walks back to home plate after encouraging his pitcher in the Juvenile Division of the NAIG 2006 baseball competition in Denver.

(Left) After knocking one out of the ball park in Denver Colorado, Evon John is congratulated by his team mates and coach as he tags home plate during one of the games where the Wisconsin team took the Silver Medal during the Native American Indigenous Games 2006.

Oneida athletes excel at sportsmanship

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

The camaraderie at the 2006 Native American Indigenous Games shined brightly. Although there were many that role modeled good sportsmanship there are three in particular that stand out.

Jasmine House is the 16-year-old daughter of Toni and Doug House who have instilled good sportsmanship in raising her. She fought against three other athletes in the midget division. Her scores for this competition were 7 to 1, 6 to 8 and 4 to1. Her 6 to 8 score unofficially was Jasmine's win.

"The second round had 40 seconds left and that was scary." said 18-year-old Desiree Pettibone who was House's second opponent. Pettibone is an Ho Chunk from Black River Falls. "She kicked me in the head and scored two points, but they were mistakenly given to me instead." said Pettibone. During the fight Pettibone attempted to kick Jasmine in the head and Jasmine blocked it with her elbow. The block fractured Pettibone's foot and put her out of the running for the gold medal which Jasmine went on to win.

At the presentation of the awards, Jasmine graciously handed her gold over to her opponent Pettibone as a good gesture for well fought match. In turn Pettibone gave her silver medal to Jasmine. When asked what made her do such a polite gesture. Jasmine said, "I just thought it was a nice gesture and my dad taught me that when I have a good thing happen to me then I should be appreciative of it and I thought giving the gold to Desiree was a good thing to do." Pettibone accepted such a gracious offer and said, "I'll always remember when she put the gold medal around me, that showed how much of a nice person she is even though she deserved the gold."

Andrea Kolitsch a 13-year-old swimmer, competed in the bantam division in the breast stroke, backstroke, freestyle, relay and other races. She is the daughter of Barb Kolitsch. At the end of the week, Andrea earned six gold medals, two silver medals, and one bronze medal. An opponent who she had met there named Arlene who is also 13 from Colorado's team hadn't won a medal and so Andrea decided to give her a bronze medal from the relay race they both had competed against in as a positive sportsmanship gesture.

Lastly, Bradley Skenandore was competing in the senior division for archery. During his competition he competed against nine other archers. One of those archers had broken his bow during an event and would have been out of the competition. Skenandore lent his extra bow to his competitor. He felt that he didn't want to win because of his opponent's equipment failure. Bradley went on to win the bronze medal.



Photo courtesy of Kalha:ku> **McLester**

Left Jasmine House wins the Gold Medal in the Tae Kwon Do competition and graciously puts it over her opponent Desiree Pettibone who took the Silver Medal as a good sportsman gesture during the NAIG 2006.

Oneida Medal Winners…

Female Midget Bow Hunter Open
Nakenzie Cottrell Round A 133, Round B 92, Round C123, Round D84, Total 432, Bronze Medal

Male Midget Traditional Archery
Joslin Skenandore Round A 111, Round B 107, Round C 86, Round D109, Total 413, Bronze Medal

Male Senior Traditional Archery
Bradley Skenandore Round A 94, Round B95, Round C 95, Round D118, Total 402, Bronze Medal

Boys 100 Meter Dash Juvenile (17-19 yr. olds)
Gerald Danforth Time 11.50 Bronze Medal

Boys 200 Meter Dash Juvenile (17-19 yr. olds)
Gerald Danforth time 22.91 Bronze Medal

Boys 4X100 Meter Relay Juvenile (17-19 yr. olds)
Gerald Danforth, Wisconsin Time 45.35, Gold Medal

Bantam Boys Baseball
Desmond Denny and Evon John, Silver Medal

Midget Boys Baseball
Nick Cantu, Evander Delgado, Daben King, Corey Jordan, Jamison Skenandore, Bronze Medal

Juvenile Boys Baseball
Matt Doxtator, John Nicholas, Jeff Skenandore, Jr., Silver Medal

Juvenile Boys Basketball
Kahelote Cornelius, Kyle Cornelius, Deontay Gray, Mike King, Cory Ninham, Bronze Medal

Girls Volleyball
Twyla Danforth, Irene Danforth, Bronze Medal

Boys Wrestling
Merritt Stevens, Silver Medal
Kameron Matchopatow, Bronze Medal

Boxing 141 lbs.
DJ Denny, Silver Medal

Swimming Butterfly 50 Meters (14-15 yr.olds)
Andrea Kolitsch, 29.09, Gold Medal

Swimming Freestyle 590 Meters (14-15 yr.olds)
Andrea Kolitsch, 26.33, Gold Medal

Swimming Backstroke 100 Meters (14-15 yr.olds)
Andrea Kolitsch, 1:05.58, Gold Medal

Swimming Breaststroke 50 Meters (14-15 yr.olds)
Andrea Kolitsch 36.24, gold Medal

Swimming Backstroke 50 Meters (14-15 yr.olds)
Andrea Kolitsch, 29.73 Gold Medal

Swimming Backstroke 200 Meters (14-15 yr.olds)
Andrea Kolitsch, 2:20.7, Gold Medal

Swimming Individual Medley 200 Meters (senior division)
Barb Kolitsch, 2:45.2, Gold Medal

Swimming Backstroke 50 Meters (Senior Division)
Barb Kolitsch, 34.36, Silver Medal

Swimming Breaststroke 50 Meters (Senior Division)
Barb Kolitsch, 37.83, Silver Medal

Swimming Breaststroke 100 Meters (Senior Division)
Barb Kolitsch, 1:22.6, Silver Medal

Swimming Medley Relay 200 Meters (Senior Division)
Barb Kolitsch, Gold Medal

Swimming Freestyle Relay 200 Meters (Senior Division)
Barb Kolitsch, Gold Medal

Environmental

Nonpoint Source Pollution Management in Oneida

Special to Kalihwisaks

Nonpoint source pollution is a problem that has drawn more and more attention over the past few years. Unlike point source pollution, which has a definite origin, nonpoint source pollution comes from various diffuse sources. It is the result of rainfall or snowmelt running over and through the ground, picking up pollutants along the way. These pollutants are eventually deposited into lakes, streams, rivers, wetlands, and groundwater, often having a negative impact on water quality.

Examples of such pollutants are:

- Sediment from eroding streambanks, roadsides, and development sites
- Oils, salts, and toxic chemicals from urban runoff (parking lots, roads, buildings)
- Pesticides and Fertilizers
- Bacteria and nutrients from faulty septic systems

The Oneida Environmental, Health and Safety Division is taking the required steps to qualify for funding to implement a nonpoint source pollution management program on the Reservation. The first step, a Nonpoint Source Assessment Report, is almost complete. This assessment identifies waters on the Reservation that are affected by nonpoint source pollution based on available land use and water quality data. The assessment also identifies categories of nonpoint source pollution that are impacting these waters, and describes what best management practices are needed to control contributors to this nonpoint source pollution. We are currently working on the second step to develop a Nonpoint Source Management Plan. This plan will further describe current nonpoint source control methods implemented on the Reservation as well as discuss additional practices and programs that could help in the future. Please call Melissa Moren at **496-5334,** or Michael Finney **496-5349** with any questions you may have.





Top: Livestock grazing too close to streamside, causes bank erosion, degradation of stream habitat, and poor water quality. Oneida Creek, 2005.
Left: Road projects without proper erosion control, can result in permanent loss of habitat for fish spawning and other aquatic organisms. Dutchman Creek, 2000.

ONHS students learn nutrition through Garden Project

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

Tomatoes, peppers, onions, cabbage, asparagus and herbs are just a few things needed to spice up the Oneida Nation High Schools lunch. That's what Becky Anderson who is the Garden Project coordinator for the Oneida Nation High School has in mind for the summer. The school picked up the cost of the garden supplies for dirt, raised beds, plants and seeds were just a few of the items on Anderson's list of needs for the High Schools Garden Project.

A joint effort between the Oneida Nation Summer School program lead to the recruiting of Oneida Nation High School students to gain, knowledge in the areas of horticulture, language, arts and history.

Marqita Tebeau, a junior and Summer Smith, a sophomore are two of the students who were willing to work during a six week summer program planting, weeding, transplanting, and watering plants for the Oneida Nation High School.

Tebeau's primary goal in completing the six week program is to put together a recipe book that will be utilized by the school's cafeteria personnel in preparing meals in the fall. The whole student body will also get a copy of the recipe book. By doing ninety hours of gardening work and assembling together the recipe book will be equivalent to ninety hours of a semester of school for half a credit.

There will also be a herbal garden along with the vegetable garden. The primary purpose for the garden project for Tebeau is, "to make healthier lunches for the students."

Smith said, "we want the lunches to taste better and it's a learning experience because I don't know how to plant stuff."

The idea to have the garden project originated from Becky Anderson, Art Teacher of the Oneida Nation High School. As a result she decided to do what she could to introduce the program to the Oneida Nation School System. Later that year she found out about the promoting of healthy schools program through the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine. (PCRM). PCRM has an award called the Golden Carrot award which Anderson will be nominating the Oneida Nation High School Kitchen for their healthy lunches program. If the School wins the school will be awarded $3,500 towards it's school lunch program. The Golden Carrot award acknowledges an exceptional job of improving the healthfulness of school lunches. The areas they will be judge on are the vegetarian entree, low-fat meals, fresh fruits and vegetables, and nondairy beverage items and that promote nutrition education."

Anderson, was also involved in a field trip to tour an Appleton Alternative School this past Spring. She was accompanied by students from the Student Council along with Nancy Blaschka, Business Manager for the Schools, Diane McCabe Supervisor for the School Kitchens and other concerned parents and community members. The Appleton Alternative School is recently adopted the healthy foods program into it's school system. By changing the diet of students, it has increased test scores in classes, decreased incident reports, and enhanced the student's attention span. These are only a few of the many benefits of a healthy diet for students at Oneida Nation High School. Anderson said, "Once a month it will be what kids want on the menu of their favorites." Students at the Oneida Nation High School can look forward to a more delicious tasting and nutritional lunch in the Fall.

Tebeau and Smith flew to Little Rock, Arkansas Monday, July 17th to attend the Heifer International Rooted in Community Conference.

Tebeau wanted to "try something new, to see how to make different stuff, keep it healthy."

"I just really want to go on a plane ride," said Smith who was looking forward to learning to cook.

Tebeau and Smith, along with Twyla Danforth, Emily Bigbear and chaperones Anderson, Diana Peterson and Denise Beans will attend the conference through Thursday, July 20th.



Kali photo/Cathy Delgado
Marqita Tebeau (left) and Summer Smith (right) students from the Oneida Nation High School identify plants in the high schools Garden Project located in the rear court yard of the Norbert Hill Center.

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

August 2006 Calendar of Events

Tween Tuesdays: Tuesdays, August 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2006 from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Children ages 11 - 14 are invited out to the Sanctuary to work and have fun while helping the environment. You'll be planting trees, following an animal keeper and learning about wildlife research through radio telemetry. Cost for all four sessions is $30 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671.**

Ready to Take a Dip?:
Wednesday, August 2, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.

Join the Sanctuary staff to see what comes alive in a pond during the summer. Throw on a pair of waders, grab a dip net and see what you can find. This program is open to people ages six and older (Children must be accompanied by an adult). Cost is $2 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671**.

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Duck, Duck, Goos!: Monday, August 7 at 10 a.m. and again Monday, August 21, 2006 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families can learn about some of the Sanctuary's most common residents during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the short stories "Come Along Daisy," by Jane Simmons and "Ducks Fly," by Lydia Dabcovich. After the stories, participants will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920)391-3671.**

Going Batty: Public Bat Program: Wednesday, August 9, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

Come and learn about some fascinating, nocturnal creatures. Join Sanctuary Naturalist Jody Sperduto and embark on a short walk at dusk to observe a few bats in flight. Cost is $2 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920)391-3671.**

Intro to Fishing: Come get Hooked!
Wednesday, August 16, 2006 at 10:30 a.m.

Come join Sanctuary Ranger, Mark Payne for an introductory program on the hows and whys of fishing. Find out what kind of equipment to use, where to get it, the legalities of fishing and share your favorite fish stories. This program is design for people 6 and over. Cost for the program is $2 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling (920)391-3671.

Fall Bird Walks
Saturday, August 26 and again, Wednesday, August 30, 2006 at 7:00 a.m.

Bring your binoculars to the Sanctuary to get a view of some birds on the move. Meet at the parking lot by the Sanctuary Director's house. Don't forget to bring your camera. Weather permitting. No registration is required. For more information, call (920) 391-3671.

Visit the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary Web site at **www.baybeachwildlife.com**

Trails and Railroad Tracks Meeting

***July 25, 2006**

***Tuesday**
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Average Wisconsin household will pay $978 more for gas

MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ Ever wonder how much the $3-a-gallon gas prices are costing the average Wisconsin family? About $1,000 a year, according to an analysis by the Department of Transportation.

The report released Thursday concluded that a family owning two cars will pay an extra $978 per year because of the higher prices.

Gov. Jim Doyle, who is seeking re-election against Republican U.S. Rep. Mark Green, seized on the report, blaming President Bush and Congress for not doing enough to address the issue.

The DOT analysis said the 3.9 million drivers in Wisconsin will pay more than $159 million additional per month for gasoline.

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7-Gen withdrawls offer for Thornberry Creek

By Steven J. Gandy
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On July 27, The Oneida Seven Generations Corporation withdrew an offer to purchase Thornberry Creek Golf Course and Country Club. The withdrawal comes in the wake of the Hobart Village Boards requirement that they be able to retain the right of first refusal of any future sale.

According to an Oneida Seven Generations press release, Brenda Mendolla-Buckley, Chair of the Board for Seven Generations states, "Village leadership had insisted on the continuation of unreasonable and unnecessary restrictions on the sale and insisted on involving parties unrelated to the transaction."

The main restriction Mendolla Buckley speaks of is the right of first refusal or restrictive covenant which is the ability and right to purchase, in this case, property before anyone else or to limit what a certain parcel of land be used for.

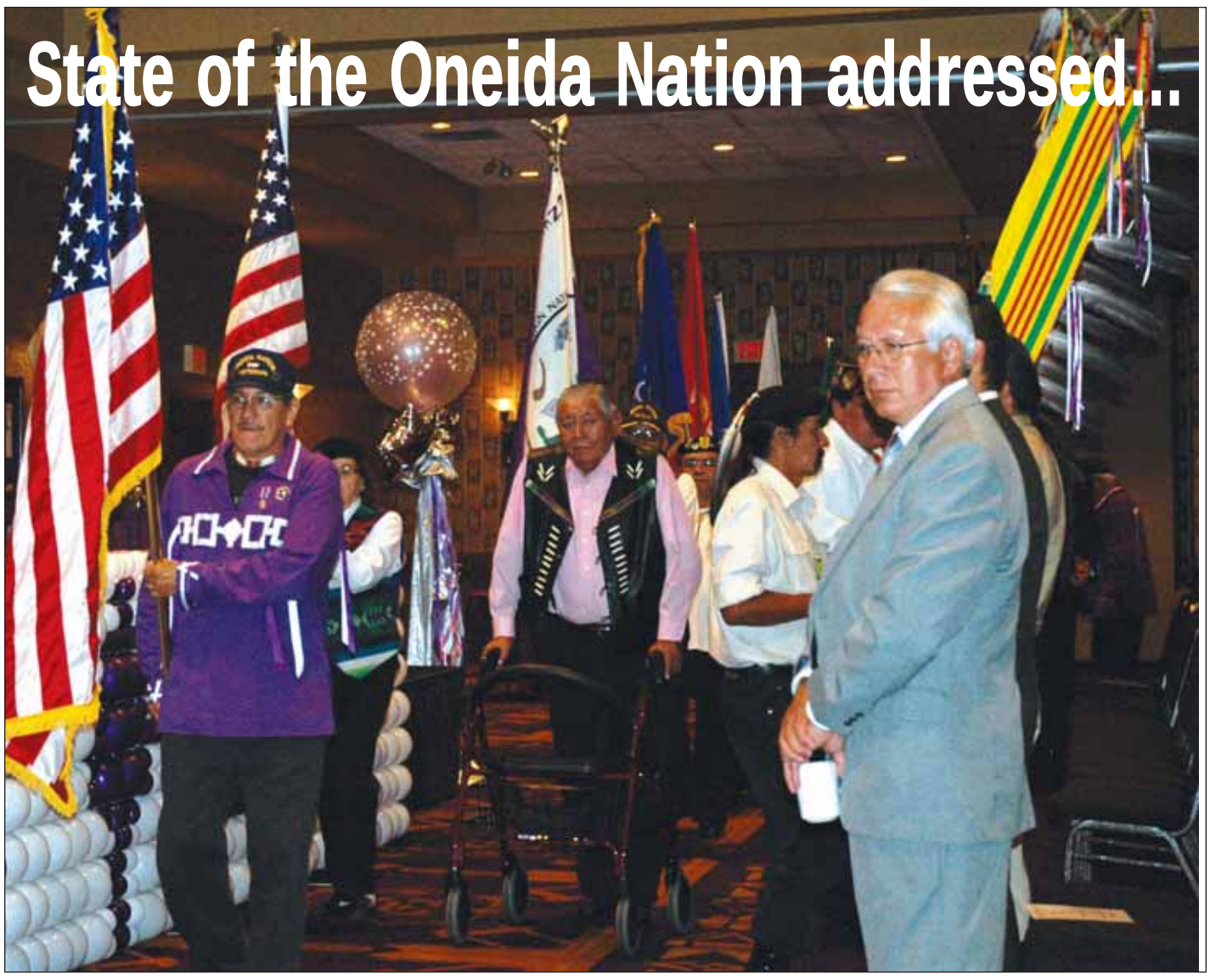
According to Village of Hobart President Richard Heidel, "The problem is that Seven Generations or the Oneida Tribe have a problem with the various rights and convenance on the property. The restrictive covenant require that that facility be operated as a golf course and any subsequent owner would have to pay either property taxes or an equivalent there of."

Mendolla-Buckley explains, "Now (the right of first refusal) is common in some transactions, however, it puts an onus on the buyer to always have to go to that individual if you ever plan to sell. We just said, with the large sum of money that we are paying that we shouldn't be restricted to having to have a meeting with the Village to sell the property."

Oneida Seven Generations Corporations had no plans to change current operations at Thornberry Creek Country Club. "As owner, the Seven Generations Corporation had intended to continue operating the facility as a profit making enterprise. And as a

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State of the Oneida Nation addressed...



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The State of the Nation Address began with the Oneida Nation Color Guard posting their flags as Neil Cornelius, Gaming General Manager, stands out of respect during the opening ceremony.

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

On Thursday evening July 20, in the Grand Council Board Room at the Radisson, Chairman Gerald Danforth gave the state of the nation address to more than 100 people. The evening agenda began with a brief introduction of an honor song for the color guards that paraded into the Grand Council Board Room, and then an opening prayer and song by Brian Doxtator followed.

Chairman Danforth spoke of the struggles as challenges that the Nation currently faces as well as prides of success. In his address he mentions the success of the Environmental department along with the Town of Hobart, Ashwaubenon, Town of Lawrence and Oneida (HALO) who work through a systematic process and were successful at stopping the dumping of PCB's behind the casino. The Environmental Department were then asked to stand and be acknowledge for a job well done. They were thanked with a lot of applause and some standing ovations.

"The Governor's Executive Order #39 is a mandate to his cabinet that if you do things that effect Indian Tribes, you need to call them. It raises levels of awareness of understanding

"Funding for health services, public safety officers, and service related issues would not be realized at all if not for Indian Gaming. Indian Gaming has allowed us to do many things. The employment market for Indian Gaming is 600,000 employees across the United States" said Chairman Danforth.

"Indian Gaming is regulated more than any other industry in the United States. Our Gaming Commission in Oneida is the first in line of defense. Our Vice-Chair for the Gaming Commission, Tina Danforth is here and believe me folks they got eagle eyes out there and they do regulate" as Chairman Danforth asked Tina Danforth to stand and be acknowledge on behalf of the gaming commission.

Chairman Danforth went on to talk about the land claims issue and " it is still

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House committee blocks off reservation tribal casinos

By Erica Werner
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) ~ Indian tribes would be blocked from building Las Vegas-style casinos off their reservations under legislation approved by a House committee Wednesday.

The bill by Resources Committee Chairman Richard Pombo, R-Calif., takes aim at the trend of "off-reservation gambling" or, as some critics call it, "reservation shopping."

Although the trend is limited, it's become highly controversial: Some tribes have moved hundreds of miles and even across state lines to find better locations for their casinos.

"Instead of seeking to bring economic development to the Indian reservation, they have instead sought to bring the Indian reservation to wherever there is economic development," Pombo said.

"This is wrong, and it threatens both the future of Native American economic development and the integrity of Indian tribal sovereignty."

Pombo's bill, which passed 27-9, would amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 to eliminate an exception that allows tribes to build off-reservation with the approved by the interior secretary and the state's governor.

Tribes that already had submitted applications by March 7, 2006, the day Pombo introduced the bill, would be allowed to proceed under a

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Kali photo/Steven J Gandy

Visitors to the Tall Ships Festival return from a ride out on the Bay of Green Bay this past weekend in downtown Green Bay.

Tourism brings dollars

By Steven J Gandy
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This past weekend, July 27 - 31, Oneida helped sponsor the Tall Ships Festival in downtown Green Bay. The event brought in 16 ships from all over the world, attracting an estimated 60,000 people to the area.

The Oneida Nation sponsors events like this on a regular basis. Events like the Family Carnival, the Pow-wow and the recent H.O.G. Rally at the main Casino are all designed to bolster the economy of the community through dollars spent by those attending such events. Also, they are designed to enhance the Oneida Tribe's image to the public and to educate the public about Oneida's cultures and traditions.

The Oneida Tourism department is in charge of spear-heading these activities.

"There are a lot of goals; obviously a tourism department promotes everything Oneida has to offer, and not only Oneida,...we are promoting ourselves as one of the premier destination spots, but also as the conduit to some of the other communities that surround Oneida." said Crystal Holtz, Oneida's Advertising Director,

Oneida and its surrounding communities have an abundance of tourist attractions that appeal to travelers from far and near. Holtz said, "When you look at the surveys that have been done by the state, I guess it's like 52%

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in its negotiations phase and that the Oneida Nation has the longest standing land claim settlement that has been brought to the court in the history of the land claims."

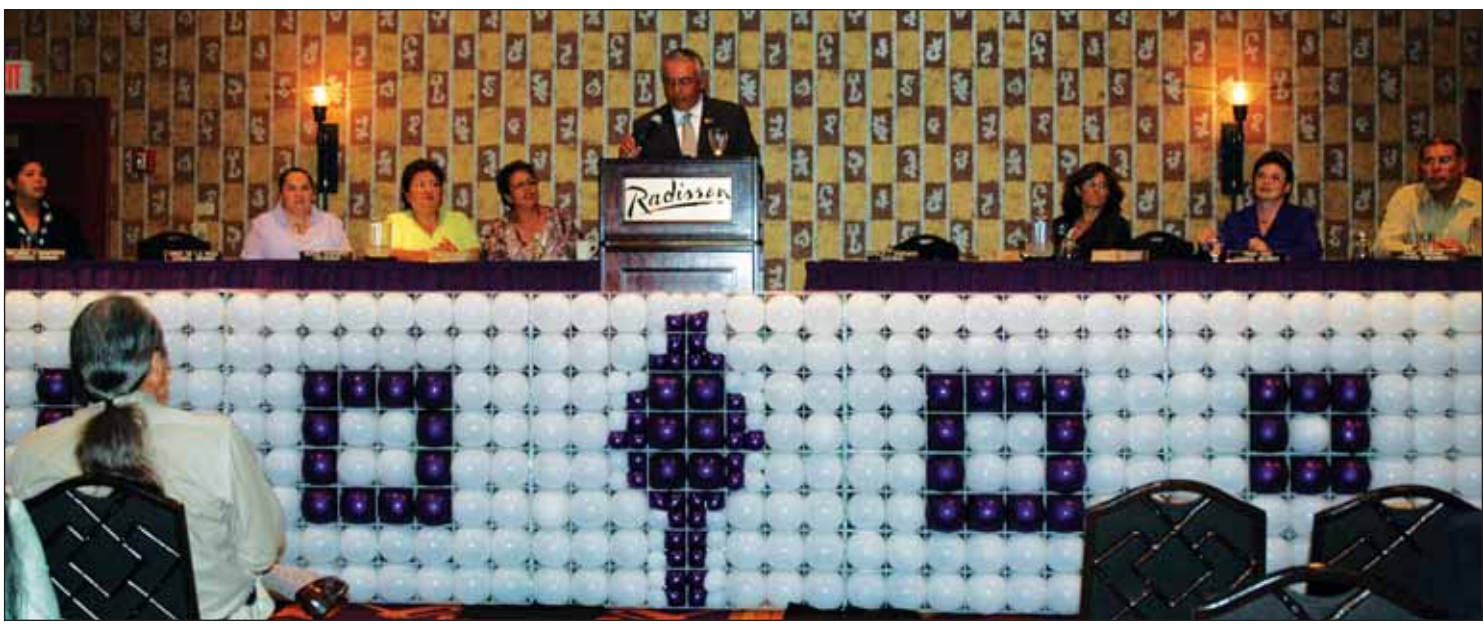
Chairman Danforth mentioned the importance of listening to the youth and with the coordination of Justine Souto in putting together the Youth Speak Out they were able to listen to the youth and find out what their concerns were. Chairman Danforth said " that the overall feeling was that youth still wanted parental involvement in their daily activities."

Chairman Danforth continued with statistical information and praised the Higher Education Department for their continued support in assisting members in going on to college. The Higher Education department statistics revealed that we currently have 855 students enrolled with 67% women and 33% men.

"Cost have risen last five years and expected to double in the next five years" said Chairman Danforth.

"The Radisson has just celebrated its 20th anniversary and its success. Lance Broberg please stand and be acknowledged. We know the business of hotel management and I am proud to say that the Marriott in Washington D.C. that we built a year ago has over 90% of our investment returned, which we were not expecting until at least five years" said Chairman Danforth as the crowd applauded the Nations accomplishment. Chairman Danforth continued, "We also have a hotel going up in Sacramento California in conjunction with two other Nations. This is scheduled to open next year in April."

"In the end what we're looking forward to and are trying to demonstrate for you is a strong community of people, a caring employer, and a Nation which builds from its own financial base." said Chairman Danforth. He concluded by saying, " Oneida will follow a plan of action to preserve our rights as a sovereign government."

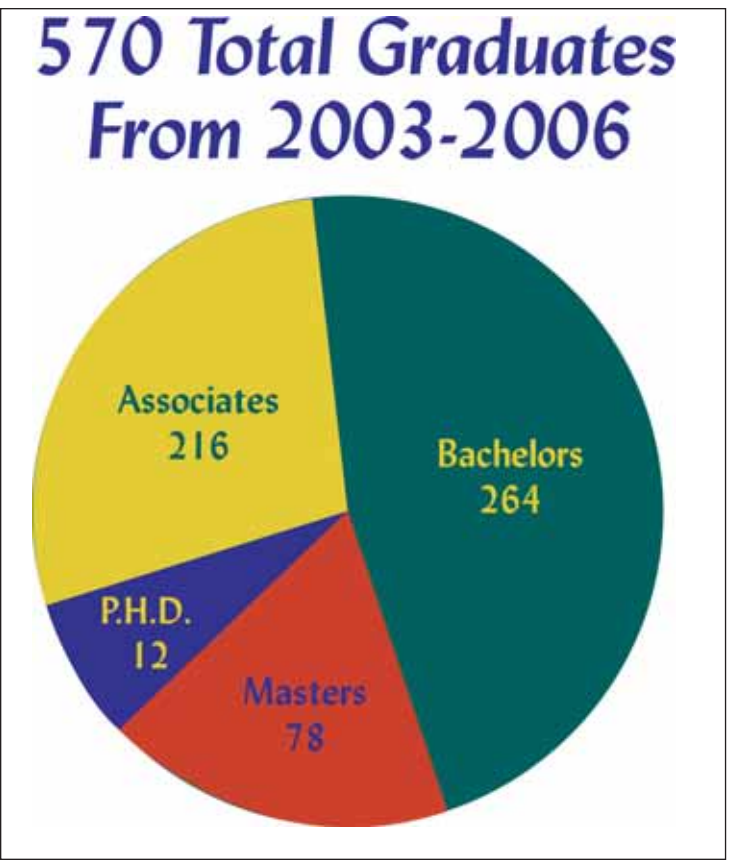


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Business Committee Members, Melinda Danforth, Mercy Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Communications Director Bobbi Webster, Secretary, Patti Hoeft, Council members,Trish King and Paul Ninham and Chief Executive Bill Gollnick front left all listen intently as Chairman Gerald Danforth gives the State of the Nation Address. A five nations waupum belt display made out of balloons decorated the front stage area for the address on July 20, 2006.

ONEIDA NATION
ENROLLED MEMBERS DEGREE

	2003	2004	2005	2006
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Bachelor Degrees	52	70	81	61
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GSD seeks opinions and comments from membership

Submitted by Sherrole Benton
GSD Program

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Please send your email address to Sherrole Benton at **sbenton@oneidanation.org** or Susan House at **shouse@oneidanation.org** . Include a list of which GSD programs & depts. you would like to evaluate through our surveys. If no preferences are listed, we'll send you surveys about all GSD programs.

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Passing On

Muscavitch, Evadna M.
1923 – July 28, 2006

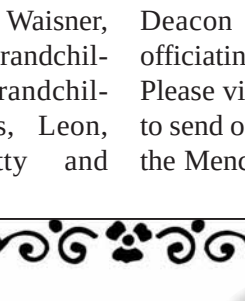
Evadna, M. Muscavitch (nee Diesel). Found Peace on Friday, July 28, 2006, at the age of 83 years. Daughter of William and Mae (nee Wheelock) Diesel. Beloved mother of Frederick H. Muscavitch and Marion (Jay) Agen. Dear sister of Lorraine Penn. Honored grandmother of Stephenie Muscavitch, Lisa Anderson, Mike (Tracy) Anderson and Dina Anderson. Devoted great-grandmother of Akacia Muscavitch, Freddy Muscavitch, Jessica Kaegel, Nico Alamo and Nicole Mann. Many nieces, nephews and other relatives will further remember her.

Evadna was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Violet Freese.

Evadna graduated from Mt. Sinai Nursing School in 1943. She proudly served as an Army Captain in England and France during World War II, and later was a member of American Legion Post 0408. Evadna was the Supervisor of Nurses for many years at Family Hospital. She was a former member of the Indian Community School Board and the Milwaukee Indian Health Board.

Visitation was held on Monday, July 31, 2006, at Church and Chapel Funeral Home, 7626 W. Greenfield Ave., West Allis, Wisconsin. Services were held on Tuesday, August 1, at Oneida United Methodist Church, N6048 Brown County E, DePere, WI with burial in the parish cemetery.

Mencheski, Winona
October 21, 1931 – August 2, 2006



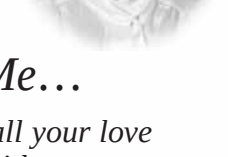
Winona Mencheski, 74, of Green Bay, died early Wednesday morning, August 2, 2006 at a local hospital. The daughter of the late Electa Johnson and Milton Doxtator was born October 21, 1931 in Red Springs, WI. She married Leo Mencheski at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Sturgeon Bay in 1953. Leo preceded her in death on January 5, 1978. Winona was a member of the Dodo Club in Oneida for many years.

Survivors include her children, Mitch Mencheski and Donna, Sturgeon Bay, Gloria Flagg, Arizona, Leo Mencheski and Sheri, Oneida, Bill Mencheski and Ann, Pat Mencheski and Loretta, John Mencheski and Mark, all of Green Bay, Ed Mencheski and Sue, Casco, Nancy and David Waisner, Appleton, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, her siblings, Leon, Alice Mae, Patty and Edward. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leo, Sr., one son Theodore Mencheski, stepfather, Gust Brisk, her second husband, Tony Hoffner, and siblings, Jim, Donald, Mildred, Wilma and Joseph.

Friends may call at RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere from 6:00 to 8:00 pm Thursday August 3, 2006 (today). Oneida Hymn Singers will begin at 6:30 pm. Visitation will continue at the funeral home on Friday morning until the procession leaves for church. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 am Friday at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Freedom Road, Oneida, with Father Dewey Silas, Deacon Edmund Powless, and Deacon Deborah Heckel, officiating. Burial to follow. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Mencheski family.

In Loving Memory of

Joy Ninham



Who left us on August 20th
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Remember Me…

Remember me with all your love
And with pain or with sorrow
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Yesterday, today and tomorrow.

It was special to be your child
For the time I was there
Cherish our memories together
Even when you think life isn't fair.

Though I may not be there with you
I am always around
Sometimes I do appear to you
A butterfly, a song or in a friend you have found.

Remember me with a joyful heart
Along with happiness and love
These are the things that keep me alive
Forever within your heart...

Love the Ninham Family

Zoning Department update

By Larry J. Cornelius

The Oneida Zoning Department has been working with Area Fire Departments to ensure a safer community for all. Zoning department staff members have been trained for fire inspections and serve as technical support staff for the Hobart Volunteer Fire Department, in addition to providing support for inspections with Green Bay and Ashwaubenon Fire Departments.

Intergovernmental cooperation has helped improve community relationships and public awareness, while ensuring the Oneida Community is receiving the same quality services enjoyed by non-tribal members. As compliance with tribal and local codes improve, fire ratings improve, resulting in more affordable insurance coverage for community members. Tribal members are encouraged to actively support and participate with the volunteer fire department that provide these services to the reservation.

With the improvement of services, the Zoning Department is also reviewing related tribal codes that address Land Use/Zoning. Updating of these standards will take approximately three years to accomplish and more closely reflect the proposed Comprehensive Plan for the Oneida Reservation. Any tribal member considering new construction or improvements to an existing property should contact the Zoning Department to discuss permitting/processing requirements well in advance of the proposed start date for the project.

Zoning is one of the inherent powers of Indian governments today that are the same as the powers exercised by other sovereign governments. Zoning is a tool used by governing bodies to provide for the protection of the General Health, Safety and Welfare of the community. It establishes zoning districts intended to protect residential uses and agricultural uses from being over developed by other land uses such as commercial and industrial. It provides for the orderly development of land, while allowing time to plan and consider the effects of changes over long periods of time. The Zoning Ordinance is broken down into five main districts; residential, commercial, industrial, institutional and agricultural. These districts are then broken down further to define what uses are permitted, conditional or prohibited. These districts effect all tribal trust and fee lands, and all individual tribal member trust and fee lands located within the external reservation boundaries.

The Zoning Ordinance of the Oneida Reservation works with and effects over thirty other tribal codes, ordinances, laws and policies that affect life within the boundaries of the Oneida Reservation. This ensures all members the opportunity to have a say in what development occurs on the Oneida Indian Reservation and where this development occurs, for the benefit of this generation and future generations.

This article will not attempt to teach the issues addressed in the thirty plus codes, ordinances, laws and policies previously mentioned. The intent of this article is to address the basic core codes and ordinances administered by the Zoning Department, the Zoning Ordinance, the Building Code, the On Site Waste Disposal Ordinance, and Shore Land Protection Ordinance.

Building Code:

While the Zoning Ordinance designates what can be built, and where it can be built, the Building Code is the tool used to assure that it is properly built. It is important to remember that the stan

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Notice

The Vacant seat for the **Gaming Commission** will be a **PART-TIME** position! The Special Election takes place. **Saturday • August 26, 2006.**

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- DONALD D. MCLESTER
- JACQUELINE R. THOMAS

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CHOOSE TWO (2)

- GINA POWLESS BUENROSTRO
- WENDELL W. MCLESTER
- LORETTA V. METOXEN
- LEYNE OROSCO
- HUGH DANFORTH

ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD
PARENT POSITION
CHOOSE TWO (2)

- STACEY NIETO
- RON HILL JR. "TEHASSI"

ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD
AT LARGE POSITION
CHOOSE TWO (2)

- LINDA MERCIER
- JAMES "JIM" MARTIN

REFERENDUM QUESTION

The Trust- Enrollment Committee requests your approval for the development of a separation plan. The Plan would require the General Tribal Council's ratification. Since 1974, the functions of the Trust-Enrollment Committee have grown in complexity and scope. The Committee addresses issues on trust fund investment responsibilities with the Trust Department, and administers all Tribal enrollment responsibilities with the Enrollment Department. Each Department has it's own focus separate from each. To better meet the growing needs of the Oneida Nation, the Trust Department, the Enrollment Department, and the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee recommend creating two (2) separate committees. The two Committees would still remain under the direct authority of the General Tribal Council.

I approve the development of a Plan to Separate the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee.

- YES
- NO

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Business

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

Roses Etc. continues to provide quality service

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Doug Schmidt was walking through the Bay Park Square Mall in 1997 when he noticed something was missing.

"I saw there was no flower shop in the mall," he said. He and his cousin Michelle Danforth began working on a business plan to fill the niche.

Within 45 days, Schmidt went from working construction to opening Roses, Etc in Bay Park Square.

The flower shop, located in the Elder-Beerman wing, sells roses and flower bouquets on site and offers arrangements for weddings, funerals and special occasions.

"We do anywhere between two and three weddings a weekend." he said.

Schmidt credits the teamwork of his staff for the success of Roses, Etc.

"We all do our little bit and it makes the flower shop thrive with all the different ideas, different outlooks, different suggestions, it just makes it happen."



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Owner of Roses, Etc. Doug Schmidt arranges a floral bouquet at his location in the Bay Park Square Mall near the entrance of Elder-Beerman. Schmidt offers a 10% discount for Oneida tribal members.

Schmidt had moved the shop to a different location on Oneida Street, but moved back to the mall in April of this year.

"The Bay Park Square Mall contacted me several times to move back into the mall and it was, financially, it was just right." he said.

Schmidt said his favorite part of the flower business is "making people happy. Meet new people, new faces, different walks of life. My flowers bring happiness, joy, love."

He advises anyone who is looking to start a business to "be motivated, be ready to work hard, make a lot of responsible decisions and use a lot of thoughtful tactics."

Calendar

August 4-5

18th Annual Burger Fest & 6th Annual Balloon Rally
WHEN: August 4–5, 2006
TIME: Varies
PLACE: Downtown Seymour, Wisconsin
Hot air balloons fly at 6:00p.m. Friday and Saturday with a balloon glow, and then at 6:00a.m.,Saturday and Sunday. Saturday, August 5th–World's Largest Hamburger Parade 11:00a.m. Hamburger Press Weightlifting Contest, 1:00p.m., 60lbs Mini-Burger served at 3:30p.m. Admission is $3 in advance and $6 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. Call **920-833-6688** for tix.

August 10

Summer House Party Series
WHEN: Thursday, August 10, 2006
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center's North Lawn
N7210 Seminary Rd., Oneida, (rain location in the Norbert Hill Center cafeteria) Arvel Bird and Cherry Bounce. FMI, call Beth Bashara at (920) 490-3830.

November 4-11

34th Annual Indian Film Festival
WHEN: Nov. 4–11, 2006
PLACE: San Francisco, CA
Submission deadline: August 18, 2006. FMI: **www.aifisf.com**

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

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Trails & Railroad Tracks Meeting
Wednesday August 9, 2006
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Ridgeview Plaza
3759 W. Mason St.
Oneida, WI

Clothing Drive/Exchange
We're Back, We're Bad, We're Ready for Anything You Got To Give
PLEASE BRING YOUR:
Clothing and coats, or small household items
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Stop By:
August 21-25 7am-9pm
August 26 Saturday 8am-2pm
Bring items to: **Parish Hall**
2937 Freedom Rd. (Cty E)
located across the road from the Holy Apostle's Church (stone church)

Oneida Housing Authority
Tenant–Community Block Party
Wednesday August 9, 2006
4 – 8 P.M.
At the Three Sisters Housing Site
You are invited to join us for some fun!
Music, Raffle & Door Prizes
Jigging Contest, Karaoke, Cook–out
(Hamburgers, Hot dogs, Corn roast)
For more information, please call (920) 869-2227

Local

South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services News

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Saturday: 9AM–12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

SEOTS Mission… *Our mission is to provide for the well-being of* On=yote÷a=ka *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

Volunteers needed for Indian Summer
in September 8, 9 & 10th Please call the SEOTS office at an early date and sign up. Call 414-384-7740.

Language Class (Note summer hours through September) No Saturday Classes
Language Class Monday, September 11, 18, 25th (Labor Day Class may be cancelled, please call) 6 - 8pm at Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street

Native Film Festival Friday
Native film shown Friday afternoon and evening. Film feature "The Spirit of Annie Mae". A documentary about a murder of a young Native woman from South Dakota's Pine Ridge Reservation. Movie will be shown twice.
Date: Friday, September 1st
Time: 1:15pm and 6:15pm

Dream Catcher Class
The first two classes you will make basic Dream Catchers. The last two you will make Dream Catchers Earrings. You must attend the first two classes to make the Earrings.
Date: Wednesday, September 6, 13, 20 and 27
Time: 6–8pm
(Sign up early - Limit sign up for 10 people - donation fee for teachers)

Family Photo Day
Come to SEOTS for a family photo! Oneida Tribal member Jim Kelly will be photographing your family photo for the low cost of $5.00. Picture will be available the same day. Photo shoot will take approximately 15 minutes. Call to reserve your time at 384-7740.
Date: September 23
Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm
Place: SEOTS office, 2778 South 35th Street

It's Your Choice Program for Teens
It's Your Choice is a program directed to Middle and High School teens. Home work help is provided, along with guest speakers, field trips, extra-curricular activities, attendance incentives, evening meals and bus tickets are provided. Parents are welcome to attend. The program is facilitated by Oneida tribal member and MPS teacher Amy Tromp. This is a Healthy Lifestyle Education Program sponsored by the WE Indians of Milwaukee Public School Systems. It meets weekly on Tuesdays. For information Contact Richanda Kaquatosh We Indians Program at 304-6121 & SEOTS 384-7740
Date: Tentative for Tuesday's (Please call for exact date and time)
Time: 4–6:30pm (Tentative)
Place: Seots, 2778 South 35th Street



Contributed photo
Kids Klub members from Milwaukee toured the Oneida Nation Farms with Pat Cornelius, Oneida Farms Director.

Diabetes Support Group Meeting
What is Diabetes?
Seots will be hosting a first time diabetes support group meeting. Speakers will be from the Ignace Indian Health Center. Registered Dietitian, Debbie Krueger and a Nurse, Bridget Costigan will speak on Nutrition and Care for Diabetics. Discussion with questions with luncheon will follow.
Date: Thursday, Sept. 28th
Time: 10:30am – 12:00pm
Please call to register 384-7740(We will need to know for the Luncheon)

Oneida Cultural Heritage - classes will resume in October

Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office
Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and information available to Veterans without an appointment once a month at SEOTS. Rodney is a counselor with the Vets Center. His specialty is working with war veterans and their families, although he will try to help any veteran with any questions they may have. The Vet's Center does with work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations in order to provide the best care for veterans. ***All Veteran's Are Welcome.***
Date: Tuesday, September 5th
Time: 10:00am – 1:00pm
Place: SEOTS

FYI - For Your Information Sweat Lodge
Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call 383-7072 and ask for Dona.

Attention all Community Members
One of our young community members is in need of a "kidney transplant". Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. It's possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at (414) 385-2550.

Computer lab now available for use
Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Open lab every day and Saturday 9 – 12pm.

Veterans Support Our Veterans!
Veterans have served our country since the Revolutionary War. They are also requesting that we support our Veterans where ever they are serving. The contact person for the Color Guard is Leon House (414) 543-1622. **We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans. Keep up the good work!**

MAIRN Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network Meeting
If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information.
Date: September 27th
Time : 12:00-2:00pm
Place: Next Meeting will be held at "The Gathering Place" at the Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street , alternate place will be Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street. **Notices will be sent to members (Others interested please call 384-7740)**

***** Potluck ** Potluck*** Tsyunhehkwa**
If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If there is anything you would like that we don't carry we would be happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida.

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings
The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.
Date: Tuesday, September 12th and September 26th
Time: 6:00pm
Please call and inquire before attending 384-7740

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Carmen Flores……*Administrative Asst.*
Deb Ushakow……*Community Education Specialist*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS *News* once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us.

The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

Information around the city

211 Impact - Simply call 211 for help with life/food/shelter/health/crisis intervention, etc.

Pow Wow AA Group
All Welcome - Thursday's - 8:00pm, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th

Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 383-9526

Domestic Violence - Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132/Ext.153 -

Urban Circle of Voices - Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper: 643-5510 - Vicky Rank

Interfaith Program for the Elderly - Meals on Monday and Friday -11:30am
631 N. 19th St. - First Friday of the month at 5pm.

Movies and Library
The SEOTS office has a collection of movies and library books for check-out. A large selection of Native American books fiction and non-fiction. Books and movies can be checked-out free of charge. Also, please return any past due books or movies so we can update our library.

Oneida Language Class - Summer Hours
Oneida language classes are taught at SEOTS on a weekly basis with Oneida instructors. You can also access the language program during the week on computers available at SEOTS. Dates: Monday, September 4, 11, 18 & 25th
Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Place: Seots

Oneida Singers
Oneida singers meet every Sunday at 6:30pm at the SEOTS office. They are available for events and services. Please contact John House 443-0301or Seots 384-7740 Date: Monday, September 4, 11, 18 and 25th
Time: 6:30pm Place: Seots

Van Trip
Date: Wednesday, September 20th Time: Van leaves at 8:00am sharp and returns at approximately 5:30pm **SEOTS transports Oneida tribal members to Oneida every third Wednesday of the month.** Staff will make two stops in Oneida. The Casino and the Health Center. If you wish to visit family members or do other business, arrange for transportation or you may ride the Oneida Transit for the fee of 50 cents. The pick-up for return is at the Oneida Casino at 3:00pm. Returning to Milwaukee between 5-6pm. Please plan appropriately and remember to call ahead to put your name on the reservation list. 384-7740.

SEOTS van trip and script pick-up
Script pick-up: Wednesday, September 20th
Last day to call in meds for the following Wednesday pick-up is no later than 4:00pm each FRIDAY! You must order meds the week BEFORE each pick up. You can not order the same week you are requesting a pick up unless you are going to pick up your meds or arrange to have someone else pick them up for you. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions about this. Always make 2 calls - SEOTS & PHARMACY (If you don't get your name on the SEOTS List, your meds will not be included in the pick up.)

Milwaukee Oneida Community News
Meth and Drug Prevention Workshop for Youth
Thank You to Oneida Police Officer Chris Cornelius! Officer Cornelius spoke to a group of 25 youth on Drug Prevention. A letter from one Oneida youth stated "I'm glad I went to learn about Meth, because now I know how harmful it can be." She also stated " I would like to thank the Oneida Police Woman that helped us." We appreciate the Oneida Police Department and Officer Cornelius for the great job they are doing!

Kids Klub
Thank You to Pat Cornelius and Staff for the great day at the Oneida Farms with our Milwaukee Kids Klub trip to Oneida. We had a Great Day! Thanks Pat! We learned alot and enjoyed our day with you!

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Zoning Update

dards set forth in the Building Code are only minimum standards and inspections conducted by Zoning Department Staff are for code related items only, not quality control inspections. For quality control issues, the project manager or owners agent are responsible.

All Building Permit Applications are filed with the Tribal Zoning Office, along with detailed construction plans, site plans and proof of ownership or right to occupy. Once a complete application is received, including all necessary plans, the review time is usually 3 to 5 business days to have a permit approved or denied. Throughout construction, inspections are made by Zoning Department Staff, to assure code compliance. Upon completion of the project, including any require changes, a Certificate of Occupancy is issued by the Zoning Department. Occupancy is not allowed without first obtaining a Conditional or Final Certificate of Occupancy. These certificates do not release a property owner from the responsibility of making any corrections for violations that may be noted at a later date.

Building Codes are part of the inherent powers of Indian tribes to regulate property use on their reservations, and control tribal lands. All Tribal owned fee and trust lands, and individual tribal member fee and trust lands within the reservation boundaries come under the requirements of this code. Agreements already in place with the Village of Ashwaubenon and the City of Green Bay recognize this tribal authority.

Within the zoning permitting process lies two very important reviews that need to be requested in a timely manner, the lack of or untimely request could hold up an otherwise valid permit. One of the request would be for a NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) review. Once the review is requested the servicing department would normally have the results within 90 days. The other review that will need to be requested is for an Archeological review. Once again after the review is requested the servicing department would normally have the results within 90 days. This process differs in that the findings could potentially put a hold on the permitting process, but this seldom happens.

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Legislative Review, Letters



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...

Sakoli,

The Business Committee met with representatives from the State's Dept. of Transportation. The intent of the meeting was to review the plans for the upgrade of Highway 41. Due to the recent designation as an Inter-State Highway, a massive amount of upgrade is planned to improve the road from just south of Depere to just north of Velp Ave. At a cost in excess of $400 million, interchanges will be improved, eliminating signal lights as much as possible, ramps will be upgraded to improve heavy flow traffic, lanes increased to six from the current four and some ascetic improvements such as sound barriers. So, beginning 2_ to 3 years from now, we will see almost a 5 year period of road construction on 41. The purpose for meeting with the Committee was to assist the D.O.T in putting the processes together to help Tribal Minority Contractors to apply to fill some of the work product. Locating the available Tribal Contractors and getting them certified to do business with the State will be the first order of business. Some say applying for certification is easy, other say it is not. It is hoped a mechanism will be put in place to assist any Contractor wishing to go through this process.

Update on the PCB issue - Oneida made a public statement opposing the opening of a cell in the dump site located behind the Hotel & Casino. Cleaning up the environment is still very important to us and we will encourage measures to improve the quality of our environment. But that being said, we see no reason to offer our reservation as the key component for those measures to be carried out, unless assurances can be given to future potential impacts. This is a case when the first and easiest answer may not be the correct or best answer. Discussions continue with the DNR and EPA. The Tribe is utilizing the existing consultation policy to pursue these discussions. We hope for a productive resolution to this issue that will meet the needs of Georgia Pacific, the State and our Community. Georgia Pacific's request to suspend the application shows they also are committed to doing what is best for the community while improving the environment.

On July 19 a Land Claims Update for the Community was held in the temporary meeting room for the Business Committee located in the Social Services Building off of Packerland Dr. While no new information was reported out, an interesting question was asked in regards to the negotiations taking place and the need to get further action from the General Tribal Council. It pointed out the need to review past actions and where we are in the process. The best scenario would be approval by the New York Legislature and U. S. Congress of the exact same terms signed in an agreement with the Governor of New York on December 7, 2004. That is when negotiations were finalized and presented to the General Tribal Council and approved on December 13, 2004. We no longer have control of what the NY Legislature may or may not approve. We simply deal with whatever happens. If there are changes, a presentation will have to be made to the General Tribal Council for approval. No changes, we keep moving on in the process and reporting out progress.

Finally, what is happening with the Thornberry Creek Golf Course. You have two sides to the rumors. One from those who are worried the Tribe is buying it and the other from those who are worried we aren't buying it. The Village of Hobart has first right of refusal and made it clear they would request a waiver of Sovereign Immunity from the Tribe, if we were to buy it. The Tribe would never do such a waiver, especially for consideration to buy land. We hear rumors, too, and I am not sure whose interests are being considered with the rumors passed on to us. The latest is that the Village is manipulating their option in order to be able to sell to a popular developer. Let's just hope, when the dust settles, employees are still working and the revenue stream is stable. Right now the Bank is probably the most interested in seeing all this resolved. They, along with property owners around the course, stand to be the biggest losers if this is handled incorrectly.

Kathy Hughes
Oneida Vice –Chairwoman

Letters...

Pow Wow Thanks

Once again the Oneida Nation's Annual Pow - Wow has come and gone. The Oneida Veterans Dept. along with the Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee would like to tell our community how Proud it makes us to be a Veteran and members of the Oneida Nation. It was a great Honor to be involved in our Pow-wow celebration and would like to thank the Pow-wow Committee, Arena Director William King, the Business Committee, all the Singers and Dancers and both M-C's Vince Beyl and Artley Skenadore for letting each Veterans introduce themselves on the last day, and a special Thank you to all the people involved in this years event.

Thank You!
Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee- ONVAC
Oneida Nation Veterans Department

Letter from Heidel

From Village President to Village Resident.....

Recently you may have read about 300 (+) acres of tribal property in Hobart being approved for federal trust. I was quoted in the local newspapers at the time as saying that while Hobart taxpayers have no need to panic, we should be concerned. Some village trustees criticized me for making those comments. This is something, in their view, that is best not discussed. I couldn't disagree more. In fact, I am hereby making two proposals to local, county, and state elected officials, as well as to the Oneida Tribe itself.

The Village's tax base isn't the only one hurt when property is put into trust. Our school districts, Brown County, and the NWTC are also on the losing end-and in much bigger dollar amounts. I am therefore proposing that Hobart, Brown County, the school districts, NWTC, and other municipalities such as Green Bay and Ashwaubenon jointly negotiate one service agreement with the Oneida Nation. While service agreement payments for each jurisdiction can be enumerated as separate exhibits to the agreement, the agreement itself could otherwise apply to everyone in its terms and conditions such as conflict resolution, term, renewal, enforcement, etc. This keeps all of the taxing jurisdictions "whole" and on an equitable footing. It's hard to imagine how the Oneida's themselves could oppose such an approach. Such a successfully negotiated agreement would save them time and legal resources and could be touted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs as a real demonstration of cooperation with local governments. I will be pursuing this further with elected officials and legal counsel.

Secondly, the Tribe makes no apologies for its publicly stated goal of reclaiming former reservation land. I fail to see how that is in the best interest of the village of Hobart, Wisconsin. Yet, I have always said, and continue to say, that the Oneida Tribe is not doing anything illegal; the Tribe is only taking advantage of what the federal government and the state of Wisconsin have allowed. I therefore turn to these same governmental entities to address the other half of the equation: supplemental tax relief for the Village and other taxing jurisdictions. In this election year, I am challenging Governor Jim Doyle and Congressman Mark Green - himself a resident of Hobart - to provide a plan by which the Village, and other damaged taxing bodies, share monies from the gaming revenues being paid to the state by the Oneida's. The amounts should be equivalent to the lost equalized assessed value of the properties lost to tribal trust. Lord knows, the taxpayers in northeastern Wisconsin shoulder 100% of the burden. Again, I must believe that the Tribe could assist in this initiative. I assume that the Oneida's would prefer to see those gaming revenues benefit the very local communities that host the gaming casinos. While it matters not to the Oneida's where their gaming revenues go, it could enhance their public image as responsible citizens to assist us in our claim to recoup the portion of gaming revenues that rightfully belong here in Hobart and Brown County.

At the federal level, I also challenge the 8th Congressional district candidates to formalize a federal aid proposal for communities, like Hobart, who take on the role imposed on them by federal treaty law with the tribes.

The Oneida Tribe's gaming rights are as secure as ever. In face to face meetings with the Tribe, I have stated that their goal of increased trust property, which diminishes property tax base for the schools, vil-

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Letters

Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Trish King

We have made progress on a couple of high impact issues since my last article. The landfill behind the Oneida Casino is no longer being considered as the dumping site for the PCBs of the Fox River. The EPA and DNR were expected to approve the permit for Georgia Pacific to be able to use the landfill, but due to the Tribal and surrounding communities outcry, Georgia Pacific has withdrawn their request. Alternative plans will still have to be made some time soon. We will keep you apprised when those concerns arise.

The Dairyland Lawsuit was decided with a favorable decision for Tribes. The court ruled a 1993 amendment to the state Constitution does not affect gaming compacts between Indian tribes and the state. The court also said the state and tribes have the authority to expand gaming options when the compacts are renegotiated. This ruling benefits all Wisconsin Tribes and secures our compacts.

Chairman Danforth gave the annual State of the Oneida Nation address on Thursday, July 20 to about seventy-five people at the Oneida-owned Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, following a brief reception, prayer, honor song and Oneida veteran flag ceremony. Highlights of the address included references to tribal relationships with local, state and federal governments, stating communities can go further and accomplish more if they work together. The PCB issue, tourism and economic enhancements are clear examples of the positive results that can be achieved through healthy government-to-government relationships. Other highlights included the government's interest in the Youth Speak Out sessions where they clearly relayed messages asking for leadership and parent involvement in our youth and their activities. The most astounding statistic was in regards to the success of our higher education program. This report gave the number of students who have graduated over the past three years with an associates, bachelors, masters or doctorate degree. Sighs of exclamation could be heard from the audience as the awareness of the impact that higher education opportunities are offering to tribal citizens was realized. The next challenge is to focus on and prepare to provide jobs for these new professionals.

On July 25, 2006, the Legislative Operating Committee held three public hearings on the following tribal legislation:

The Termination of Appointment amendments to the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions, the Code of Ethics, and the Conflict of Interest Policy to allow for the termination of an appointment by the Oneida Business Committee because the recently adopted Removal Law only addressed elected officials.

Amendment to the Small Business Project : The purpose of this amendment is to fix the interest rate for small business loans at 5%. Prior to this amendment, there were parameters outlined based on the prime rate. The new fixed rate makes loans more affordable for small business owners as the prime rate is currently on the rise.

The Judiciary: This is a new law that is being proposed as the backdrop to create a judicial branch and court system of the Oneida Tribe. The newly created Tribal Court System would impact every one of us as Tribal members as well as those who come into contact with the Tribe. During the Public Hearing, several testimonies were given supporting the development of a court system or judiciary system. Many feel the Nation is ready to move into this responsibility and to take on more jurisdiction. Others indicated their support by stating we may be ready, but the people need to discuss the structure and jurisdictions that court will have. I too, support the development of a judiciary system. However, the draft Judiciary law has left me with grave concerns regarding jurisdictions, authorities and structure. I am not satisfied that the draft law will create a court system or judicial system that reflects the needs of the Oneida Tribal community. I have prepared several comments to the proposed Judiciary Law which are available in my office or the LRO office.

I encourage everyone to review these laws and amendments and prepare comments prior to the 10 day comment period deadline of August 8, 2006. If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org or by calling 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of these laws are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org.

Immediately upon word that the Bad River Chippewa Community's Health Center suffered a total loss due to a fire, Oneida put a team of folks together to see how we could help out. I would like to recognize and thank Cathy Bachhuber for accepting the assignment to lead and coordinate a donation effort on behalf of the Tribe for the Bad River Health Center. Cathy Bachhuber, Dottie Krull, Al Danforth, Brian Denny, Connie Danforth, and Brandon Stevens all aided in the collection and/or delivery of much needed cash and supplies to the Bad River community. Not only did they coordinate on behalf of Oneida, but they also kept in contact with all Wisconsin Tribes to ensure that Bad River received the supplies they needed to operate and provide care to their patients while the insurance company goes through its processes. Great work everyone.

Notice

The Vacant seat for the **Gaming Commission** *will be a* **PART-TIME** *position! The Special Election takes place,* **Saturday • August 26, 2006.**

State/National

From Page 1A/*Tourism*

of tourists in Wisconsin are from Wisconsin, so it's people traveling around the state, which makes sense because there is so much to do here...and not just Oneida specific, we've got Bay Beach, the Packer Hall of Fame, I mean, there's so many things to do."

Most recognizable is the Casino, however there are many other things the Oneida Nation has to offer. Holtz says, "Obviously, [the Casino] is one of the biggest draws we have." Holtz goes on to explain the need to educate the general, non-tribal public, "We've done research and we found that...when people here or think Oneida Casino they're thinking Oneida Nation, and when they here Oneida Nation they're thinking Oneida Casino." Holtz continues, "I don't think you want to break away from that, I think to enhance what we already have and to have people come away with a better understanding of Oneida, that it's not just a casino, we have a museum, we have Tsyunhehkwa, we have a buffalo farm, we have an apple orchard. All those thing, I think are...we know about them internally, but externally, I don't know if the public knows we have a buffalo farm."

Education and public image are the key points that Oneida is trying to promote to people around the state. "You need to educate everybody from little on up. We've had people from Appleton call up and ask if they could come onto the reservation, like it's fenced or something. So were trying to educate people and say come on out, see what we have. Whether it's the Family Carnival, a Powwow, some of the events the casino does: The Pavilion Nights...and it's not about making money, I mean, obviously the Casino needs to make money, but the Pavilion Nights, I don't know if it makes money, but you know what, it get people out here and gets exposure, it's a good community thing," Holtz says.

The plan to educate seems to be working. The Family Carnival had a record turn-out this year. "The family carnival brought in like 20-25,000 people in two days," Holtz said.

The impact of the dollars spent on tourism may not be immediately noticeable to some people, however, Holtz notes, "That's exactly what those dollars are for, they're for marketing what Oneida has, to bring people to this community as well as create partnerships other communities."

Tourism will soon be its own Department, separate from Communications, and will be moving offices from the Norbert Hill Center to new offices on Packerland Drive sometime in August.

From Page 1A/*Thornberry*

good corporate citizen, the Thornberry facility was going to continue to pay taxes to cover the costs of services we receive from local governments," Mendolla-Buckley states in the Seven Generations press release.

The meeting between Seven Generations Corp, current owner, Jack Schweiner, and the Hobart Village Board got snagged when the Village said they wouldn't proceed without Oneida's government present. "We went to the Village Board and said we want to move forward with this, were all in agreement, Jack's in agreement etc. But they wanted the Government there, the Oneida Government, the BC," Mendolla-Buckley said.

"They were confusing, or they failed to understand that Oneida Seven Generations is a corporation...we have an independent board that makes the corporations decisions. I think with that confusion, there is somewhat of a fear that because were owned by the tribe, as our shareholders, that we are going to...be putting it into trust land," Mendolla-Buckley said. "We don't have the authority to put that into trust land. The government has that. We're a corporation, we operate as any other corporation would and were just trying to move forward with this business venture...maintaining the golf course; we want to pay the taxes..we want to move forward. And they did not want to negotiate with us because the government was not there."

Heidel says, "Any tax exempt organization, theoretically could take ownership of the golf course and if they so desired they could convert it to a water park or a strip mall, or may want to anyway. It's our desire to protect our tax base and we'd have to be able to do that vis-a-vis restrictive covenant or zoning requirements all of which are enforced by the circuit court system, and that is where, possibly, the tribe would enter the picture in terms of having an issue. Because with their status as a sovereign nation they are not subject to that type...to that judicial system. Which would then render any rights we as a village have moot and irrelevant."

Mendolla-Buckley states, "It is unfortunate that the taxpayers of the Village of Hobart will be stuck with the bill for this unfathomable position as taken by their leaders." If the current ownership can no longer afford to keep Thornberry's doors open to the public there could be some serious repercussions, not only to the tax base of Hobart, but also to those residents that live on the course. "I don't know how long a golf course can go without being maintained. And I would be concerned if I had this beautiful home on the golf course and that golf course is not being maintained or open," Mendolla-Buckley notes.

Mendolla-Buckley continued, "Should Village leaders reconsider their decision, Oneida Seven Generations will reconsider its position."

"Our goal here isn't to sour anybody, we're not pushing a deal, we're not obstructing a deal. We're essentially on the sidelines, we're not even playing the game on the field," Heidel concluded.

From Page 6A/*House*

grandfather clause.

The bill still would allow tribes that have been newly recognized by the federal government, or that don't have reservation land of their own, to seek permission to build casinos. But those tribes would be required to enter a "memorandum of understanding" with local communities to ensure the tribe pays for infrastructure, public safety and other costs.

The Senate Indian Affairs Committee approved a bill in March to crack down on off-reservation casinos.

Indian gambling has had explosive growth since the legal framework was created in 1988, and the nation's 408 Indian gambling facilities brought in $22.6 billion in revenue last year. The vast majority of tribal casinos were built on existing reservations, but some three dozen are in places that weren't Indian land in 1988, and many more tribes are seeking to move off-reservation.

From Page 6A/*Letters continued*

lages, technical colleges, and counties, is no different than if we were to oppose their gaming compacts - something we have never done. The lifeblood and future of Hobart is its property tax base; the lifeblood of the Oneida's is its gaming revenues. Each needs to respect the other's interests.

Within 24 hours of winning Hobart's recall election almost three years ago, I unilaterally had all references to the village of Hobart removed from all perceived anti-Indian websites. I also stated to then-Chairwoman Tina Danforth, and recently again to Chairman Jerry Danforth, that neither Hobart nor the Oneida Tribe are going anywhere. That leaves only one possible scenario. Let's get started!

Rich Heidel
Hobart Village President

Judiciary Flawed

Dear Editor,

I'm writing to inform the membership that I'm not in support of the proposed "Judiciary Law," now in the Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) review. The problems with the proposed Judiciary Law are cause for alarm. I agree with issues raised in the Legislative Reference Office (LRO) analysis, and have a few more concerns of my own.

The major cause for alarm is the proposal to banish tribal members based on contempt of court. My second concern is that the test this proposal would use to screen judges isn't adequate for determining whether the candidates for these positions would be qualified. In addition, the proposed Judicial Law grants a future court the powers of jurisdiction that only the GTC has and can create.

I believe the proposed revocation of tribal membership, in the "Judicial Law document," is unconstitutional and overreaching. The revocation of tribal membership could potentially impact an entire family and cause hardships that are entirely incongruent with charges of contempt.

The mere threat of revocation of tribal membership based solely on contempt of court has a chilling effect upon the basic freedoms of tribal members that are guaranteed by the Oneida Constitution, the Indian Civil Rights Act, and the U.S. Constitution.

The term "banishment" may apply more appropriately in the rules of procedure where any individual, attorney, advocate or others may be banished from the court; but banishment of tribal members from the rolls is inappropriate.

Secondly, I don't believe the judges should be elected, nor should they be appointed. The test that the proposed Judiciary Law would administer to any judicial candidates before any election doesn't guarantee that the candidates would be qualified for the position of judge in any court.

I believe any future judges in any Oneida tribal court ought to be hired through the HRD department. The applicants for the judicial positions ought to have a degree in law (preferably in Indigenous Law, Human Rights, Civil Rights or similar emphasis), or a juris doctorate degree, and practical experience in the court room as an attorney or a judge.

In order to avoid creating a huge judicial bureaucracy, as is proposed in this "Judicial Law," perhaps it would be more prudent to hire bona fide and practicing judges and/or attorneys on a contractual basis to serve in a future tribal court.

It's not absolutely necessary for a judge in the proposed Oneida tribal court to be an enrolled tribal member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin. I believe the "Indian Preference Law," in hiring may be applied to the position during the screening and interviewing process.

I see this proposed "Judicial Law," as a kingmaker document which would create a court having powers greater than the General Tribal Council without the authority nor the will of the people.

I strongly urge tribal members to submit written testimony to the Legislative Operating Committee before August 8, 2006, and urge them to reject this proposed Judiciary Law.

Sincerely,
Sherrole Benton
Oneida Tribal Member

Respect Milwaukee

Good Morning My People (Brothers, Sisters)

My name is Kerry Rae Brunette, 761 N25th Street, #9, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233. I would like to report concerning Milwaukee, Oneida government and our people, Mr. Vince DelaRosa's visit to Milwaukee on 5-20-06 with a clear voice direct information on our new office building by G.T.C. approval because our government let our people down again by not buying the building which we have lost around half our investment of the total cost by paying rent each month.

On 6-03-06 Mr. Ed Delgado also visited with the same direction of matter, but he did have some information on a subject that is close to my mind, heart, soul concerning medical treatment or pharmacy assistance that Bush from the White House might cut one billion dollars from medical aid for only American Indians whom living off any homeland of the tribes which include around 11,000. Oneida blood of your loves or friends, where do you think these people will be forced to seek medical assistance, which they have a moral right and legal right. Myself, I never attempted to be a burden on anyone or at anytime, but I have two different medical cards that our tribal government receive money from the state, federal government for treatment and I receive three differences between benefits: Milwaukee County, state, federal checks, each check they cut off all four corners for total income below the poverty level, I am not complaining, I am just a rich bum.

Governments: There are three main elements that always love you, respect and honor you, but can not stand your unbalance, corruption, wickedness by keeping around 90% of the profit for you and friends and the public can not live comfort with the other 10%. We have around 1/8 Oneida don't even have basic on our homeland, will please stop cheating yourself from our Creator Kingdom or God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy. Check others other Indian's history out before you think I am a quack. I am asking any Oneida to join me in a rally on the first Saturday of September, 09-05-06, to walk from the Site One baseball diamond near the enrollment office at 6:00pm up the hill on Service Road to our government building. Bring your own flyer, please.

Kerry Rae Brunette

Parking lot complete

The parking lot at the Senior Center Meal Site was repaired in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of our elders, Tribal employees and the public in general. Unforseen issues caused this repair to take longer than scheduled. Please accept our apology for this delay and for the inconvenience this may have caused.

Thank you for your patience during this project. Our mission is to assist our elders to maintain an independent, healthy, productive and quality lifestyle through love, caring and respect by the services we provide. We are confident this repaired parking lot is one more step in our efforts to continuously improve our services.

I'd also like to thank the Oneida Methodist Church for letting us use their facility during this time.

Florence Petri
Oneida Elderly Services Director

10th Bi-Annual Clothing Exchange

Come on Down! Clothing of all sizes, dishes, books, shoes, purses, sweaters, coats, knick knacks. Bring your clean-gently used items to our community FREE exchange. Has it been that long already? It seemed like just yesterday we were bringing our items to the Parish Hall preparing for our summer fun, now it is almost time for school and time to pick out jeans and boots and heavy sweaters for the coming school year.

And, would you believe we starting sharing our precious belongings with each other just 10 years ago? Time really flies when you have fun, doesn't it? Now we have a "Fashion Show" which is held in the spring to show off our 'new' clothing.

This fall, hopefully, we will have the entire week to exchange, starting on Monday, August 21, 2006, and going through to Saturday, August 26, 2006. Our hours will still be 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for that entire week.

This fall, Myron John, from "Andy's Produce" has agreed to take some of the remaining items out to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. This nation is in need of blankets, coats, hats, boots, sweaters, any warm clothing or bedding we can spare.

So remember to mark your calendars for the Fall Clothing Exchange and keep an eye out for another announcement in a future edition of the Kalihwisaks.

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Sports

Golf legend makes stop in Oneida



Submitted Photo/Conrad K. King

Butch Baird (right) is demonstrating the green side chipshot while 6-8 year old class, Officer Jack Mehojah (left) and assistant Joel Skenandore (background) look on.

Submitted by Conrad K. King

I would like to express my gratitude for the Oneida Recreation and Sports and Fitness Center and Oneida Experiential and Adventures for sponsoring our visitor Mr. Butch Baird. Mr. Baird took the time out of his schedule to visit the Oneida Nation. In this time he worked directly with our youth golf program. He spent most of his time working with the Pee Wee golfers 6 - 8 years of age. Mr. Baird spoke highly on the basic set up and swing. "We need to have a solid foundation in which to grow from." 6 - 8 years of age is the best age to start golfing, "We need to get them excited about the game and keep their interest." After working with our youth, Mr. Baird personally autographed a photo for each participant.

Mr. Baird also worked with many of the community members. He gave several tips and encouraged the right practice routine. The fundamentals were his key words of choice. "You must work on the fundamentals in order to truly reach your highest potential." "30 good swings are better than 500 bad ones." "Keep positive." "Every time you do something bad in the game, make something positive from it." Hopefully these encouraging words spoken from a true PGA Professional will stick with us for generations. Our hopes are to develop another Native American player on the PGA tour, and with these encouraging words and teachings by Mr. Baird, we might just be able to accomplish it.

I would also like to express my gratitude to Mr. Joel Skenandore whom has gone out of his way to accommodate Mr. Baird's travel needs. Joel also did a wonderful job assisting our Jr. Golfers as well. Thanks to a true friend, your assistance was greatly appreciated.

Oneida hosts Warriors Championship with First Nations Golf Association

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Native American golfers from all over North America took part in the Oneida Warrior Championship July 20-23 held at Crystal Springs Golf Course in Seymour, Wisconsin.

The tournament was part of the First Nations Golf Association (FNGA) 2006 tour.

"What we want to do is create a professional atmosphere for Native people." said pro golfer and Canadian Representative for FNGA Steve Tooshkenig.

The FMGA was organized in as a non-profit in 2002 to encourage Native Americans to become more involved in the sport.

"We want to instill the good that golf can bring to you and especially our Indian young people," said Robert Tippeconnie, president of FNGA. "We feel the sport of golf, because there's a lot of etiquette to it, there's a lot of behavior to it that's positive; how you dress, how you treat each other with respect and that sense of harmony when you're in the game and you're on the course."

The organization often hosts youth seminars such as junior golf clinics and caddy training to involve young people.

"If we instill something in at least one or two everywhere we go, they can build that, they can build that and it grows. Among their peers, they can excite the peers, the young people," said Tippeconnie.

The FNGA has six tournaments scheduled this year and hopes to expand each year to include more locations and to add a women's tour and junior tour. The group wants to partner with tribes that own their own golf courses and with various sponsors to offer bigger prize pots. The Oneida Warrior Championship had prize$30,000 in prize money.

Local golfer Pete King, III was impressed with tournament and the organization.

"It's nice to be around all of the Native people and we're out there all golfing as professionals and carrying ourselves that way and that's probably the best part about it." said King.

The experience made him think about his first golf teachers, his uncle Sonny King and grandfather Pete "Buzzy" King, Sr.

"I know Sonny's looking down and smiling," he said, "I'm thinking about him and thinking about all the guys who came before us, the leaders that got us this far."



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Conrad King of Oneida tees off from the tenth hole at Crystal Springs Golf Course in Seymour as part of the Oneida Warriors Championship. Conrad tied for third in the tournament.

4th Annual Oneida Methodist Golf outing is well attended

Submitted By Delores Skenandore

It was a beautiful day for the Oneida United Methodist Church's Fourth Annual Golf Outing which was held on July 9th and was a huge success. Due mainly to the many contributions by area businesses, major prize winners included Jerry Cornelius, Jason Widi, Tina Jordan, Yuma Thomas, Gayle VanDenPlas, Cassy Thomas, Shirley Frank, Judi Skenandore, Craig Cottrell, Fay Huchro, Lee Thomas, Carl Parker and Tony Skenandore. The Event also included a hole-in-one contest for a 2006 Hyundai and lunch afterward.

Some of the Prizes awarded were 18 holes of golf with a cart at Pine Hills, an overnight stay at White Pines Lodge, two nights at Lake of the Torches, two passes to the PGA Tour event in Milwaukee, one overnight stay at the Regency Suites, two catered parties by W.T. Creations, overnight and nine holes of golf at Four Seasons Resort, overnight at Indian Springs Lodge, two Club Box seats at a Milwaukee Brewer game, two sets of golf clubs, two gas grills, 200 match play coupons from Oneida Casino, and a Packer autographed football. One hundred twenty (120) smaller gifts were given as door prizes.



Submitted photo

Above, Jason Widi and Andy Cornelius watch as Mitch Skenandore prepares to tee-off

House Wins Sportsman Award



Kali photo/Cathy Delgado

Jasmine House was awarded the highest award for sportsmanship as a sports warrior from the 2006 Native American Indigenous Games. Gene A. Keluche of the Wintun Tribe of Northern California, Chairman of the Colorado Indigenous Society which conducted NAIG and Chairman of the Native American Sports Council put the gold medal around Jasmine on Wednesday, August 2 at the Radisson. Jasmine won the gold medal in the Tae Kwon Do competition in early July 2006 competing against Desiree Pettibone from Black River Falls, and from the Ho Chunk Nation. Jasmine said, "I would like to thank all those that supported me and the Indigenous Games and that they taught me a lot."

LAND CLAIM COMMUNITY MEETINGS
Sponsored by the Oneida Business Committee
August 16th & August 30th , 2006
September 13th ,& September 27th 2006
Social Service Bldg. Green Room Conference Room
2640 West Point Road
Green Bay, WI 54313
12:00 p.m. Light Lunch Provided
Questions Contact Kathy Metoxen @ 920-869-4364

Relay Team from Indigenous Games



Photo Submitted by Irene Danforth

In the July 21st issue of the Kalihwisaks three members of the Gold Medal winning 4x100 Meter Boys Relay Team were inadvertently omitted. The Kalihwisaks apologizes for the error. Team members are from left to right: Vicente Vega, Gerald Danforth, Gabe Vega and Joe Mehojah.

Walking for a cure at 10th annual Relay for Life



Photo by Dawn Walschinski

Elly King and Bruce Danforth walk a lap for the Relay for Life. The track is ringed with luminary bags, many decorated in memory of people who have been lost to cancer or to honor people who have survived the illness.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Why are you here tonight?

"To show my support."

Why are you walking?

"We're walking for my dad, in memory of my dad and my grandpa."

Why do you walk?

"My dad passed away January 6th of cancer, so I'm walking for him and all the other people I've known that have died of cancer or have cancer."

A myriad of reasons brought people like Kayukwaliyo Danforth, Debbie Thundercloud and Tina Cottrell out to the 10th annual Relay for Life held behind the Norbert Hill Center July 28-29th.

The all night relay is a fund raiser for the American Cancer Society (ACS). Starting at 6:00pm on Friday night, participants began walking a track circling the pow wow grounds making sure someone is walking through the night.

A silent auction is held and raffle tickets and luminary bags are sold to raise money for cancer research. The event raised $35,712 as of Saturday, July 29th.

Fun activities are put on as well such as a three legged race, Dude Looks Like a Lady contest and a screening of *The Wizard of Oz*.

But long after the camp sites had been decorated with scarecrows, tornadoes and yellow brick roads, after the movie screen had blown over, Lori Nault hobbled around the course, sometimes using a cane, sometimes leaning on her friend Robert Card.

"My grandfather died of cancer and I have cancer," said Nault, "I thought we'd drop by and check it out and walk a couple of laps for the ones who were close to us."

Nault has undergone chemotherapy to treat her uterine cancer which has spread to her kidneys. Her health didn't stop her from passing her goal of 12 laps around the track lit by candles in luminary bags.

"I'm still ticking, it's not going to take me down without a fight. I'm doing whatever I can to keep going." said Nault.

"She's stubborn and the Good Lord is not ready for her." said Card.

People like Nault are the reason Dottie Krull has stayed involved with the relay since it started in Oneida ten years ago.

"I'm reminded each time I get into this what it's doing for the cancer survivors," she said.

As part of the six member core team, the group recruits volunteers and plans the yearly event.

"We hope that next year's bigger and better. We say that every year." said Krull.

PHOTO CONTEST



EXTENDED DEADLINE AUGUST 16!

"Benefits of Indian Gaming"
First Place: $1,500
Second Place: $1,000
Third Place: $500

The National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) is looking for photographs of people in your community using facilities and participating in programs that were funded by Indian gaming revenues. Some examples include: health clinics, child care centers, gyms/ recreation centers and Head Start.

Each entry must contain at least five photos and each photo must have detailed captions with information on the location, program, and subjects photographed.

CONTEST DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY AUGUST 16, 2006.

Photographs must be JPEGS and have a resolution of at least 300 dpi. Entries can either be e-mailed to kmcguire@indiangaming.org or a CD can be mailed to: NIGA, Attn: Kaeleen McGuire, 224 Second St. SE Washington, DC 20003.

For more information, call (202) 548.3817.

All photos submitted will become property of NIGA.

Fiddling for the Birds and honored guests



The third concert in the "Summer House Party," series is with Arvel Bird and Cherry Bounce, August 10, 2006, presented by the Oneida Nation Arts Program.

Arvel Bird, of Paiute and Scottish heritage, is a renowned fiddler/violinist nominated for GRAMMYs in both Best Folk/Country Artist and Best Instrumental Recording categories.

The first half of the show will include Arvel's original compositions guaranteed to delight both young and old. In the second half, Arvel will be joined by the Cherry Bounce Band for some good old jigging music.

Concert is free; $5 suggested donation for the meal. Meal provided by the DoDo Club, starting at 5:30 p.m. The concert begins at 6:00 pm and show ends at 7:30 p.m.

Arvel Bird and Cherry Bounce perform in the Norbert Hill Center's North Lawn, N7210 Seminary Rd. Oneida, WI. 54155, (rain location in the Norbert Hill Center cafeteria)

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and make yourself comfortable for great Native entertainment and Oneida hospitality. Join us in the little apple orchard on the corner of Seminary Road and Hwy 54 in Oneida where families of generations ago held their "Going Home Day" picnics.

The Summer House Parties Series is made possible through funding from the Wisconsin Arts Board, Coca Cola Fund, and the Oneida Tribe of Indians.

For more information, call Beth Bashara at (920) 490-3830.

Photo courtesy of Oneida Nation Arts Program

Above, Arvel Bird, renowned fiddler/violinest will be performing in Oneida as part of the Summer House Party Series along with Cherry Bounce (below).



Environmental

Nonpoint Source Pollution Management in Oneida

Submitted by Melissa Moren
Water Resources Specialist
Part 2 of 4: Stormwater Management

Oneida's streams, lakes, wetlands, forested areas and farms all depend on the replenishing water of annual rainfall. However, when rain falls on construction sites, paved streets, parking lots and building rooftops it washes away soil, dirt and chemicals. Stormwater runoff changes both water quality and quantity and negatively affects our water resources. Polluted runoff containing oil, grease, chemicals, nutrients, sediments, metals, litter and pathogens, for example, can severely reduce water quality. If left unmanaged, runoff stresses our streams, ages our lakes, and degrades and eliminates our wetlands.

Mandated by Congress under the Clean Water Act, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Stormwater Program is a comprehensive national program for addressing polluted stormwater runoff. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulates the disposal of stormwater in Indian Country by issuing permits. However, the distance from the EPA office in Chicago to the number of locations that need regulation in Indian Country is a barrier to ensuring full compliance.

Tribal staff help implement the NPDES Stormwater Program on the Reservation. Tribal staff from the Environmental Quality Department assist as agents or representatives of the EPA. By authorizing tribes to conduct inspections on EPA's behalf, the agency can provide better inspection coverage, and respond quickly to wet weather events in remote areas.

Two of the outcomes of the Stormwater Program are to:

1. Eliminate negative impacts from construction activities on tribal surface waters through enhanced tribal enforcement capacity for the management of stormwater; and
2. Train and credential tribal staff to perform inspections at regulated construction sites on the reservation.

For more information about Oneida's Stormwater Program contact Jim Snitgen, **496-5333;** or Melissa Moren, **496-5334.**



Photo courtesy of Melissal Moren
Storm sewers protect downstream streams and lakes by preventing sediment from entering water ways.

Edge of the Woods Tsi?tyotélhate? Restoration

Submitted by Betsy Galbraith
Environmental Specialist

If you've driven by Edge of the Woods (Former Mooren Property) on the corner of Hillcrest and County J lately, you probably noticed the very tall, brown grass covering the site. Giant reed grass, also called Phragmites, is invading many wetlands on the Reservation.

Originally from Asia, this grass crowds out native plants and wildlife. "We didn't think there could be anything worse than purple loosestrife in our wetlands, but then Phragmites came along," states Jonas Hill, an Intern with Environmental Quality Department this summer. Hill has been working on invasive species issues this summer for the Department.

Much planning and research occurred to determine the best way to remove Phragmites from Edge of the Woods and restore the wetlands. The best way to fight this aggressive grass is to use an herbicide. Due to the extreme height of the grass, 10-12 feet, a helicopter will be spraying the herbicide. This is expected to occur in mid-August.

It is likely the site will need to be sprayed next summer too. The area will eventually be reforested with the help of the Oneida Conservation Crew. Within a few years, the wetlands at Edge of the Woods will be once again be an enjoyable place for ducks, frogs, and people.

The project is funded by the Fox River/Green Bay NRDA and the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS). Questions about this project can be directed to Betsy Galbraith at 496-5327 or Dan Brooks at 869-1450.



Photo courtesy of Betsy Galbraith
Jonas Hill and Betsy Galbraith stand in front of a patch of Phragmites at Edge of the Woods.

Successful Farmers Market Bash





Kali photos/Julia Skenandore
Tuesday, July 25th was the first of two "Farmers Market Bashes," which are held to encourage community involvment. The next bash is on August 22nd.
Top: A customer asks a vendor questions on the fresh goods. At left: Richard Grant and Ted Skenandore liven up the market with their music.

Tsyunhehkwʌ Hours

Agricultural / Community Services 139 Riverdale 920-869-2718	8:00am-4:30pm
Community Cannery Norbert Hill Center 920-869-4379	8:00am-4:30pm
Retail / Community Services 920-497-5821	10:00am-6:00pm

July heat wave ends in damaging stormy weather





Kali photos/Yvonne Kaquatosh (left) and Dawn Walschinski (top)
Left: Jonah is cooling off outside of the Norbert Hill Center Day Care. Temperatures soared into the 90's as the humidity pushed the heat index in to the 100's as July ended.
Top: Storms on Monday morning, July 28th blew down a tree limb which damaged two cars behind Oneida Social Services. Another storm on Wednesday, August 2nd caused the power to go out in Oneida.

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August 26th & 27th, 2006

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Saturday, August 26th
2:00pm–3:30pm Powwow Exhibition
3:30pm–4:00pm Social Dancing
4:00pm–5:30pm Powwow Exhibition
5:30pm–6:00pm Social Dancing

Sunday August 27th
12:00pm–1:30pm Powwow Exhibition
1:30pm–2:00pm Social Dancing

Please DO NOT SIGN UP if you are unable to attend all performances.

Health

Harassment of Employees at the Oneida Health Center

By Debbie Thundercloud
Ombudsperson

I have received eight complaints from employees at the Oneida Health Center who have been sworn at over the phone and in person, have been sexually harassed by patients, have been yelled and screamed at over the phone and in person, have been treated rudely, have had derogatory comments made about them, have been physically abused, have been threatened and have been intimidated by patients.

I don't believe any of these behaviors are reflective of our Oneida Value system. The tsi?niyukwalihot^ (our Way) teaches us about taking care of each others spirits by encouraging one another, being compassionate and caring, sharing good words with one another and by holding on to our identity and vision as a good people. The Mission of the Oneida Nation is "to strengthen and protect our people, reclaim our land and enhance the environment by exercising our sovereignty."

Employees of the Oneida Health Center are there to help strengthen and protect our Oneida people through the provision of Health Care services. It is their Mission to "provide the highest level of quality, culturally sensitive, holistic and preventative healthcare." They can only do this with each Patients cooperation.

Our Health Center has been through some tremendous "change" in the past three to five years. The move to the new facility, a change in Leadership and the continued growth and expansion of services. I think we would all have to agree that everything isn't perfect at the present time; but we do have a committed and dedicated staff that are working to make it better.

I would like to encourage all Patients to try and use your energy in positive and constructive ways. Rather than getting angry or rude, try to offer some suggestions for improvement; either in person or in the Suggestion Box that can be found in the Waiting area. The Quality Committee reviews suggestions received on a monthly basis and implements actions whenever possible. If you include contact information; they can inform you of their actions.

A specific behavior brought to my attention that needs to be addressed; is that of Tribal members treating staff (that may or may not be Tribal members) as if they have "no rights" and can be treated with disrespect and be demeaned in front of other Patients and staff. Some Tribal members feel they are "entitled" to treat others poorly or are able to demand things of staff because they are Oneida. Our Treaty Rights entitle us to Healthcare services; but they do not entitle us to treat other persons with disrespect. It is important for us to create a safe and non-threatening environment for our employees to encourage long-term retention and consistent care.

Another behavior that needs to be addressed is that of Sexual Harassment. The Oneida Nation has adopted a Sexual Harassment Policy that applies to the Workforce; but it does not address Patients/Visitors/Customers that interact with our Employees. Again, our employees need to be assured of a safe and non-threatening work environment. Sexual Harassment means that someone is bothering the employee by saying or doing unwanted or unwelcome things of a sexual or gender related nature. Some examples are...

- inappropriate touching
- making offensive jokes or remarks
- making sexual requests or suggestions
- staring at or making unwelcome comments about someone's body
- making sexual comments about someone
- obscene letters or notes with sexual connotations
- making sexual advances toward another person

It is not appropriate for our Employees to be subjected to this type of behavior and as an Employer; Oneida has a responsibility to protect and to take immediate and appropriate corrective action once it has been brought to our attention.

I encourage all Patients of the Oneida Health Center and Behavioral Health Program to "treat our employees as you would want to be treated." All of us wanted to be treated with dignity and respect.

Too many 'No Shows' at the Oneida Health Center

By Debbie Thundercloud
Ombudsperson

As Ombudsperson; I have been finding that many Patients do not show-up for their appointments and don't give notice. They leave an empty appointment unavailable for their relatives. With the growth on demand for services at the Health Center and Behavioral Health I would like to encourage Patients to call one day in advance or as soon as you know you can't make your appointment. This way, our Triage Nurses will know that there is an appointment time available for another Tribal member who is ill and in need of same day services. As Tribal members; we will all be helping one another by taking the time to "call-in" if we can't make an appointment.

One day I visited the dental department; and of ten chairs available, only two were filled at the time. That means that Providers and Nurses were being paid to provide services; but had no patients to service. Dental also has a "back-log" of three to six months to see patients. When there are "no shows" this means that we continue to add time to the back-log and there is more time that lapses before patients can get an appointment. It is very important for Patients to keep their appointments so that we can improve upon this!

Please help our Community Health Services by calling-in when you can't make your appointment. It will make your appointment available for another Tribal member in need of Health care services.

Oneida Nation School System enrollment

The Oneida Nation School System is now accepting enrollment for the upcoming school year in grades Kindergarten thru twelfth (12) Grade. Space is limited, so it is important that you complete your child's application as soon as possible and return K-8 applications to the Student Service Department (Elementary) and high school applications to the High School office.

Listed below are qualifications that must be included with your application before your child may be considered for attendance in the Oneida Nation School System:

* A copy of a state certified birth certificate or baptismal certificate, not a hospital birth certificate must be on file in the school office. Birth Certificate must have the parent's full name listed on it.
* A copy of your child/ren's Social Security Number..
*Your child's tribal enrollment number.. Children must have on file the required documentation of tribal membership (Certificate of Indian Blood or Tribal Enrollment Card) of a federal recognized tribe. If the child/ren are not tribal enrolled, the child must establish 1/4 degree Indian descent. This is established through parental Indian blood degree.
*A copy of your children's updated immunization record must be on file in the school office.
*A copy of your child's last report card (1-8) or transcript (9-12)

If the above items are not included with your child's application, the application will not be dated and process until such time that all items are received in the school office.

Applications may be picked up at the Elementary Student Services Department and High School Office, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. or upon request we will mail an application to you. Please call the school at 869-1676 (Elementary) and 869-4308 (High School)for assistance. Yaw^ko.

Christensen Earns CLA

Altamonte Springs, Fla. –Donna L. Christensen was named as a Certifed Internal Auditor (CLA) by the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA). The CLA designation is awarded to internal audit professionals who have met the rigorous requirements of The IIA's CLA program, including a four-part examination, as well as high standards of character, education, and experience.

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Thousands of Families in Indian Country have achieved the dream of owning a home. The section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program has made that possible.

Homeownership in Indian Country

In 1992, Congress established the Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program. The program was designed to offer homeownership and housing rehabilitation opportunities for eligible Native American individuals, families, tribes, and Tribally Designated Housing Entities. (including Indian Housing Authorities) on their native lands and within an approved Indian area as defined in HUD P.I.H. Notice 2004-19.



Section 184 Program Highlights

- More than 1400 Loans creating more than $143 million in mortgage financing.
- Nationwide program on Tribal trust land, allotted trust, or fee simple land in an Indian operating area – state of Wisconsin.
- Refinancing available
- New and Rehab loan guarantees available
- Single-close for construction and permanent loans
- Loan limit –150% of FHA limit
- Low down payment
- No maximum income limits
- Flexible underwriting
- 1% guarantee fee at closing
- Assumable
- Secondary market potential
- 100% guarantee to lender

How does Section 184 Work?

HUD guarantees the mortgage loan made to eligible borrowers. The loan guarantee assures Bay Bank, the only participating lender in the Green Bay area, that its investment will be repaid in the event of a foreclosure. The borrower pays 1% loan guarantee fee at closing, which may be financed in the mortgage or paid in cash. The borrower applies for the loan with Bay Bank and works with the tribe and the BIA if leasing tribal land. Bay Bank will then evaluate the necessary loan documentation and submit the loan for approval to the Office of Loan Guarantees (located in Denver, Colorado) for underwriting and a formal commitment, unless the lender is an approved direct guarantee lender.

Who is Eligible for a Section 184 Loan?

- Any Native American or Alaska Native that is a member of a federally recognized tribe or an Alaskan village.
- An Indian Tribe
- A Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE)
- An Indian Housing Authority (IHA)

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Immunizations Anyone?

OCHC offers walk-in clinic every Tuesday

It's that time of year again! Time to update your child's immunizations before returning to school. Oneida Community Health Nursing Department holds weekly walk-in immunization clinics.

If you are unable to attend one of our scheduled walk-in clinics, feel free to call the Oneida Community Health Nursing Department at 869-4840 to schedule an appointment.

DATE	TIME
August 8, 2006	
August 15, 2006	
****Wed., August 23, 2006***	Every Tuesday
August 29, 2006	***(August & Sept. 2006)***
September 5, 2006	from...
September 12, 2006	1:00PM – 4:00PM
September 19, 2006	
September 26, 2006	

Walk-in Immunization clinic is located at:
ONEIDA *Community Health Center*
525 Airport Drive
Oneida, Wisconsin

Confident and Fair

My Experience Includes:

*Over 16 years in Law Enforcement
*4 years on the Personnel Commission
*Criminal Justice Administration student and employment advocate.

Come out and show your support

Vote August 26, 2006 at the Oneida Police Department!

Supported by:
Jim Danforth (ret) Chief of Police

Vote Ronda Skenandore



For Appeals Commission

Authorized and paid for by Ronda Skenandore

"Dedicated to fair and equal treatment of all people and treat all with dignity and respect"

Legislative Operating Committee

High school students learn GPS

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

Five students from the Oneida Nation High School traveled to Albuquerque, New Mexico on July 23, 2006 through a program called Center for Educational Technology in Indian America (CETIA) to learn about geographical information systems and global positioning systems that are used at the Oneida Nation High School. They are Crystal Metoxen, Alaina Thunder, Shakira Stevens, Jasmine Metoxen and Neset Vega. An entity of CETIA is Eagle Vision. It is a program located on the Laguna Pueblo Reservation 45 miles west of Albuquerque.

CETIA has a sponsored education training for teachers who work in Bureau of Indian Affair Schools and their students. The week prior to the female students attending this training the teachers came to Albuquerque to learn the same information. After a week of training the students will be able to work with Geographical Information Systems and Global Positioning Systems (GPS) that help students find a designated spot they have inputted into the GPS. This technology will be taught at the high school level in the Science program of the school.

Shakira Stevens a junior this year said she heard about the program from Science teacher, Becky Nutt. Stevens said, "I'm glad I came because I got a chance to meet other natives from around the states and the landscape is very different and nice to look at." GPS is interesting but I don't think I want to go to school for it, Stevens added.

Students are taught how to use the GPS, which includes inputting information, finding the designated area they have inputted and programming information into the computers. They were given five different destinations and broken up into four groups with teams of 3 with a drive. They were to navigate the drive as to the direction that the GPS was displaying and find the destinations. Areas such as monuments and historical sites that ranged from 20 to 30 miles away from the Laguna Pueblo Reservation out in the mountains were just part of the challenge the girls experienced. The students were also sent with digital cameras to verify their finding and report back to the group as a whole.

Crystal Metoxen a 17-year-old senior this fall said she enjoyed finding different areas by using a Global Positioning System. They were given five different points of interest and they were given the GPS'. One of the places was El Malpias on the Zuni-Acoma National Conservation Area, and the Sandstone Bluffs that the students had to find. GPS have latitudinal and longitudinal information logged into them and then the GPS tells what direction the focal point is and what direction to go in order to find that point, explained Metoxen.

Students that attend Oneida Nation High School were able to meet other students from other areas that are implementing the GPS system in BIA schools. "I made friends from Arizona, Washington, and Wisconsin" said Metoxen.

Students were given the opportunity to tour the University of New Mexico (UNM), Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI), Public Power Services of New Mexico (PNM) and Bohannon-Huston, Inc. which is a Geospatial Technology Company.



Kalih photo/Cathy Delagado
Alaina Thunder and Shakira Stevens work an exercise during the Eagle Vision training held on the Laguna Reservation.



LOC UPDATE

LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE AUGUST 2006

MEET THE LOC

The LOC consists of the 5 Council member positions of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC):

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The members of the LOC serve 3 year terms consistent with the Tribal election of the OBC.

WWW.ONLOC.ONEIDANATION.ORG

The LOC website contains all of the Oneida Laws and includes:

- ★ LOC biographies
- ★ Oneida Tribal Constitution
- ★ Active Files List
- ★ LOC approved minutes
- ★ Public Hearing Notices
- ★ Policies

LOC ACTIVE FILES LIST

- ❑ APA (New)
- ❑ Back Pay Policy
- ❑ Child Protective Board Bylaws
- ❑ Education Code
- ❑ Election Law
- ❑ Election Law: Primary Elections for OBC Positions
- ❑ Emergency Services Ordinance
- ❑ Format for Laws
- ❑ Hall of Fame
- ❑ Higher Education
- ❑ Hunting, Fishing & Trapping
- ❑ Housing Ordinance
- ❑ Internal Security Issues
- ❑ Judiciary Act
- ❑ Labor Code
- ❑ Law Enforcement Ordinance
- ❑ LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)
- ❑ Legislative Procedures Act
- ❑ Military Service Employee Protection Act
- ❑ New York: Building Code
- ❑ New York: Plumbing Code
- ❑ Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance
- ❑ Oneida Passports
- ❑ Pardon Ordinance
- ❑ Per Capita Ordinance Amendments
- ❑ Preventative Health Care Bill
- ❑ Real Property Law
- ❑ Salary Structure
- ❑ SEOTS Bylaws
- ❑ Small Business
- ❑ Termination of Appointment
- ❑ Travel Policy
- ❑ Truancy Ordinance

Public Hearings

Amendments to the Emergency Services Ordinance so that an Emergency Management office can be implemented and have the "appropriate authority to enforce emergency management programs and practices."

When: **August 8, 2006**
Time: **11:30AM**
Where: **Social Services Building**

LOC Member Spotlight - Melinda Danforth



Councilwoman Melinda J. Danforth is a member of the Turtle Clan. Melinda is the daughter of Margaret and Dennis Danforth and granddaughter of Everett & Carol Cornelius and Marilyn & Leander Danforth.

Councilwoman Danforth graduated from Freedom High School in 1992. She earned her Bachelors Degree in Business Administration from National American University in 2003. Councilwoman Danforth is currently pursuing her Masters Degree in Business Administration through the University of Phoenix.

Previous to being elected to the Oneida Business Committee, Councilwoman Danforth worked as a Legislative Assistant for former Councilman Curtis Danforth. Councilwoman Danforth also served the Oneida Business Committee under Chairman Gerald Danforth and Chairwoman Debbie (Doxtator) Thundercloud. Her eight years of experience working with the Oneida Business Committee complimented by her education provides Councilwoman Danforth with a solid foundation to serve the Oneida people.

Councilwoman Danforth is an active participant in community events, and she believes in the philosophies behind the "Good Mind." Councilwoman. Danforth promotes generational growth, economic development and comprehensive communication between the government and the people. Councilwoman Danforth believes in and continues to promote higher education. Melinda hopes to continue an initiative started during the last term to encourage Oneida youth to become more aware and involved in Tribal government. By keeping Oneida youth interested and informed about the Oneida Nation she hopes to establish a foundation for the future leaders of the nation.

Special interests include volleyball and singing with her family's drum, Buffalo Creek. Councilwoman Danforth will continue to promote the need to preserve Oneida's language and culture and she looks forward to resolution of the Oneida Land Claim.

Legislative Reference Office (LRO)

The Legislative Reference Office (LRO) staff supports the LOC by drafting and reviewing laws, policies, bylaws, resolutions, providing statements of effect, recording LOC meetings and maintaining the LOC records.

The Legislative Reference Office staff consists of:

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Publications

You can order your own copy of the Oneida Code of Laws and Oneida Tribal Policies through the Legislative Reference Office.

The Code of Laws contain all current Oneida laws that have been approved by the General Tribal Council or the Oneida Business Committee.

The Oneida Tribal Policies contain current Tribal policies affecting the community and employment.

Order requests can be made by either email to phuff@oneidanation.org. or by contacting Peril Huff at 869-4376.

The costs are:

- ❑ Oneida Code of Laws (2 volume set) $30
- ❑ Oneida Tribal Policies $30

Good News

Happy 2nd Birthday

Elise White
July 19
was your special day
You're our precious baby girl!



Love you, Mom, Dad, Gavin, Gramma Sandi & Jim, Grandpa Jerry, Auntie Fawn, Deja, Nana, Josefa, Grandpa Warren & family

Happy Birthday

Dad
August 3



Today your 72 years old and your first birthday in heaven.
Best Wishes and we miss you!
Love your wife & kids

Happy Birthday

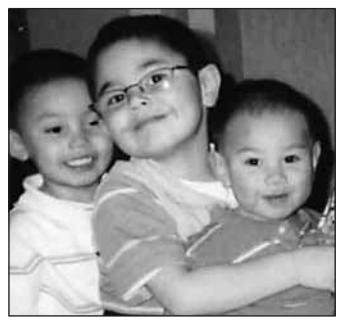
To our baby boy
Ambrose RayDay-Bedeau
Who has blessed us with 2 years of life on August 8



And Birthday wishes sent to our grandpa Archie Webster as he spends 72nd birthday in Heaven on August 3rd.
We love you both with all out hearts.
Daddy & Mommy (Opie & Josephine)

Happy 2nd Birthday

To our baby brother
Ambrose Ray
on Aug 8



We love you lots buddy!
Floyd & Joshuah

Happy Birthday

Sararesa Begay



From your friends in the north woods.

Happy Birthday Happy Birthday



Robert & Tyler
Son & Grandson
Aug 7 & Aug 3

Love you, Nancy, Ruie & Justine

Happy Anniversary

on August 11, 2006
Brandon & Teata Yellowbird Stevens
Belated Happy Birthday to Brandon on July 28, 2006



From Grandma Marj & The Stevens Family

Happy Birthday

Belated to My Little Lady
Yuntle?kala.u
on July 22



Love, Mom, Kalha.ku, Lakwaho

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Also please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Shalliyah Marie Gard



Shalliyah Marie Gard was born July 7, 2006 to proud parents Heather Smith and Kevin Gard, of Green Bay. She was born at St. Mary's hospital weighing 8 lbs 6 oz and was 21 inches long.

Her grandparents are David and the late Marie Smith of Oneida, and Dennis and Sharon Gard of Seymour.

Shalliyah's siblings are sister, Shandra and brother Hyason.



Kyson Randy & Cylie Rose King

Justin & Linda King are the proud parents of twin children born on Wednesday, May 24, 2006.

A son, named Kyson Randy weighed 7lbs 7oz, and daughter, Cylie Rose weighed 6lbs 11oz.

Maternal Grandparents are Carol Geyshick & Randy Geyshick of Lac La Croix First Nation, Canada.

Maternal Great Grandparents are Rose Marie & John Ottertail and Helen & Henry Geyshick, Canada.

Paternal Grandparents are Diana & Edwin King, Jr., DePere, WI. Paternal Great Grandparents are Mary & Nick Metoxen, Seymour, WI and Lillian & Edwin King, Sr. also of Seymour, WI.

ONEIDA YOUTH CULTURE CAMP 2006

Purpose: Assist our youth with learning their Oneida identity through culturally based teachings, so they can become positive role models for future generations.

Registration: Open to any incoming Freshmen thru Seniors for 06/ 07 school year and are enrolled members or who's parents/guardians are enrolled members of the Oneida Tribe

Deadline: Wednesday, August 9, 2006 at 4:30pm.

There are 30 slots available. Those who participate in Fall sports in the Green Bay area will be transported to and from their practices with written permission!

Fee: $20 per person… Scholarships available

For more information contact: Justine Souto or Tracy L Metoxen Phone: **490-3854** or **1-888-490-2457** E-mail: **jsouto@oneidanation.org**

Sponsored by: Good Mind Great Future (CAPPS) -Youth Enrichment Services (YES) -Oneida Housing Authority -Oneida Cultural Heritage -Oneida Nation Arts Program*

For Sale by Owner

3065 Summer Place
Green Bay, WI 54313



This is a 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with an attached two stall garage.

Amenities include:

New pergo floors and carpet throughout the home, freshly painted interior, new garage doors, new furnace and water heater, wood burning fireplace, central air, patio doors with a large deck over looking the fenced in backyard, finished basement with an 11 ft. oak bar, separate laundry room downstairs, there are many builtins throughout the home.

Items included in the sale:

Stove and (2) 13 inch televisions, wall mounts will also be included in the sale of the house. (1) 13 inch television in the workout room and (1) 13 inch television in the kitchen. Also, included is a home gym.

Schools:	Tribal and Southwest School District
Asking Price:	$118,900
Land Status:	Tribal Fee

Purchasers are subect to a Residential lease with the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

Interested parties can make an appointment, open house will remain on ***Saturdays*** and ***Sundays*** from ***8:00 am-3:00 pm*** no appt. needed.

For further information contact:

Karen Hill @ (920)592-8601

Directions to home: West Mason to LaCount take a left on LaCount then a quick right to 3065

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Call the Enrollment Department TOLL FREE at: 1.800.571.9902 to get the matter resolved!

Psst…Your signed request mailed or delivered to Enrollment will ensure delivery to your home!



www.oneidanation.org
Click on Departments (at the top)
Select **Language Revitalization** and then language lessons.



***Vote for True Justice*…on Aug. 26, 2006!**

Rick A. Cornelius

for

ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION

EXPERIENCE
- 15 Years Law Enforcement
- 2 1/2 Years as Oneida Chief of Police
- Conflict Resolution
- Can effectively resolve disputes
- Can effectively interpret Statutes and Law

EDUCATION
Associates Degree in Criminal Justice, *Fox Valley Technical College*
Bachelors Degree in Business and Communication, *Concordia University*

PERSONAL
- Volunteer Work for Oneida Recreation
- Member of Our Beautiful Savior Church

ASSOCIATIONS
- Wisconsin Chief of Police
- Former National DARE Officer
- Former Brown & Outagamie County Chief of Police member

If anyone has any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at: Rcornelius801@aol.com or just give me a call at: 920-498-0084.

"I would appreciate your Vote and I thank you in advance!"
– Rick A. Cornelius

Endorsed and Supported by… Outagamie County District Attorney, Carrie Schneider
Oneida Elder, Maria Hinton
Authorized and paid for by Rick A. Cornelius

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Next Deadline

is…**Wednesday August 9th, 2006 @ 4:30 p.m.** with a **Publish Date** of Thursday, **August 17th, 2006**

Questions, please call: **920-869-4277, 869-4279 or 869-4280**

Toll Free: 1.800.236.2214 ext. 4277, 4279 or 4280

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Notice of Availability

Project Description

The Oneida Tribe is proposing to enhance a wetland system by constructing berms, cleaning out ditches, creating uplands and lowlands, pools and islands, as well as native plantings. This property is located in Outagamie County south Reformatory Road in Township 24 North, Range 19 East, portions of Section 13, 14, 18 & 19. It is approximately three miles south of State Highway 29 and six miles west of Green Bay. The site is within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Reservation, two miles west and three miles north of Oneida, Wisconsin. The site was made up of several individual land parcels.

A draft environmental assessment (EA) has been prepared regarding this proposed action in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The draft EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters.

Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.

Need for Project

The former Linsmeyer property contains headwaters from the South Branch of the Suamico River and from Trout Creek. Restoration of the proposed wetland will have an overall effect favorable for hydrologic, habitat and biochemical functions in the area. Recreational, cultural and educational values for the Oneida community will be enhanced from restoration of this wetland on the Oneida Reservation since both waterways flow through extensive parts of the Oneida Reservation. This project will help to ensure that water quality in these two streams is improved, allowing them to provide habitat for trout and other sought after fish species. Tribal members will

Notice of Availability

benefit from this improved water quality when participating in recreational or other downstream activities. In addition, this area of 524.9 acres of breeding habitat for waterfowl and upland game will be available for Tribal members to hunt, hike, photograph, gather and recreate.

Alternatives

The PREFERRED alternative will be to construct a diverse wetland complex with uplands and lowlands, pools, nesting islands and planting native vegetation. A large berm will be constructed in the south ditch to retard water and allow for slow release. The ditched tributaries to the South Branch of the Suamico River will be cleaned. This restoration will increase the size of the largest wooded wetland complex on the Oneida Reservation. Large blocks of contiguous habitat with travel corridors help to engender genetic diversity by allowing for larger species populations access to distant habitat blocks.

The NO-ACTION alternative does not move the Tribe forward with its goal of restoring wetlands or assisting with preserving and enhancing the Tribal culture. No action would result in a continued degradation of the environment including surface and ground water resources. A third alternative was evaluated; to use the site for a proposed lake. This alternative is not well suited for the site due to location and natural features of the site.

Comments & Availability

Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents from the above address. Comments regarding the proposed action may also be submitted within 30 days of the date of this NOA. Contact Bill Koonz at (920) 495-5350 or write Oneida Environmental Quality Department, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 or Nick Domer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Old Fort Square, 211 North Broadway, Suite 211, Green Bay, WI 54303 or (920) 448-2824 for additional information.

Divorce For Women
Atty. Jim Lewis
Howard 434-2777

Committee Vacancies

Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
-Must be a member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin who have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United Sates of America Honorable Service.
Qualifications shall also include the following:
1. Honorable Service
a) A person who has been inducted into or voluntarily entered into active duty in one of the service branches and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch due to "less than honorable conditions"
b) Active duty is having served 181 days or more of continuous duty unless discharged early for a service-related disability
c) Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has complete at least six years in the reserves or National Guard or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability
2. Shall be a citizen of good standing
3. Shall serve the remainder of term ending November 2008

Board Vacancies

Oneida Child Protective Board
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
-Any tribal member who is on the roll of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin
-Must be eligible to vote in the elections of the Oneida Nation
-Must reside in Brown or Outagamie county
-Shall serve a (4) four year term.
-Must have experience or education in one of the following areas:
a.Employment related to child protection matters
b.Forster parenting experiences
c.Guardian Ad Litem experience
d.High School Diploma/GED, an individual over the age 50 is exempt from this requirements
e.Kinship/family, care experience i.e. grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and elders
f.Previous Oneida Child Protective Board experience
g.Post Secondary Training preferred
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The Tribal Secretary's Office shall forward copies of all applications under consideration to the Oneida Child Protective Board. Within fifteen days, the Oneida Child Protective Board shall return all applications and submit the name of a candidate whom they recommend. The candidates' name will be submitted, along with all other names of qualified applicants, to the Oneida Business Committee for final selection and approval in accordance with the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions.

Oneida Arts Board:

One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
-Shall be seven (7) members of which four(4) shall be enrolled Members of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
-Shall serve a term of 3 years
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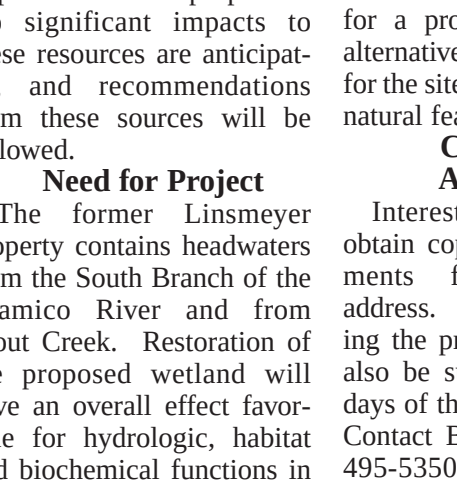
Oneida Cemetery Board:
One(1) vacancy
Qualifications:
-Their shall be six (6) members who shall make up the Oneida Tribe Cemetery Board
-Shall serve a lifetime term
-Shall meet whenever a burial is requested by the kin or other interested party for a deceased Oneida Indian or other person permitted
-Shall be responsible to maintain vital statistics of the deceased and to report such information as may be required by the Oneida Tribe.
-The Board or it's delegates shall control the cemetery and beautify the same and may establish regulations respecting it.

Oneida Child Protective Board:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
-Any tribal member who is on the roll of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin
-Must be eligible to vote in the elections of the Oneida Nation
-Must reside in Brown or Outagamie county
-Shall serve a (4) four year term.
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f. Previous Oneida Child Protective Board experience
g. Post Secondary Training preferred
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Deadline date for receipt of applications of September 4, 2006.

Legal Notice

ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION
Notice of Per Capita Attachment Claims Filed
Re: Child Support Agency(s) vs Various Individuals
A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by child support agency(s) for interception and attachment of per capita payments to satisfy outstanding orders for payment of child support to the custodial parent and the state of Wisconsin.
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For questions about this claim, settlement or payment arrangements prior to September 20th, please contact the appropriate child support agency. If you have questions, feel free to contact Oneida Appeals Commission office at (920) 497-5800. Copies of this law are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

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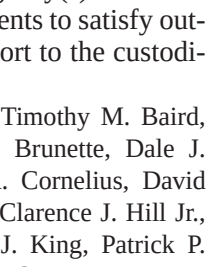
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Debbie Thundercloud Oneida's new General Manager



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

New General Manager Thundercloud at the Intern Lunch August 14th.

by Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

On Monday, August 7th 2006 Debbie Thundercloud stepped into her new role as the tribe's General Manager.

"Six months prior to my leaving Bellin I was getting lonesome for Oneida,." said Thundercloud.

Thundercloud brings to Oneida experience in conflict management, operational improvement and leadership.

She had previously worked as the Ombudsperson for the Oneida Health Center and as Vice-President of the Bellin Health Support Care Center.

She also served two terms as the Oneida Business Committee Chairwoman and one term as vice-chair.

She has her Bachelor of Science degree from UW-Green Bay in Psychology and Human Development and will be attending Marquette University for a masters program beginning this fall.

Q. What made you leave Bellin Hospital?

A. "Bellin was going through a reorganization at the leadership level and they were restructuring my position and I chose not to take the position that they had offered in the restructuring."

Q. Are there certain things that you will be addressing in your new position as priorities?

A. "The Health Center's Operations Director position is an area I know that they want me to look at right away because they put the hiring of that position on hold, waiting for the General Manager to be hired. It's an area of top priority and is posted."

Q. What is the Oneida National Balanced Scorecard (ONBS)?

A. "The Oneida National Balanced Scorecard was developed by the Business Committee and it's our mission, our vision, and they have developed strategies and

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Thundercloud

Smoke dancers take Lambeau field

Kali photo/Yvonne Kaquatosh

Oneida staged the half time show at the Fox Family Fun Night at the Green Bay Packer scrimmage Saturday, August 5th. Smoke dancers were featured along with pow wow dancers at the event.

Right: Kaykwali·yo Danforth starts his dance before 60,000 spectators.

Bottom: Linda Nockideneh shows her green spirit and raised beadwork as she kicks up some Lambeau turf.





President Bush visits families at OPD

Tribal Officials and Honored Veteran Welcome Bush

(Oneida, WI) President Bush took time out of his busy schedule today to meet with families of fallen soldiers at the Oneida Police Department. Oneida Nation Chairman Gerald Danforth, Secretary, Patty Hoeft, Councilman, Ed Delgado and Valdor John, an Oneida decorated war veteran were on hand to greet the President.

The Oneida Police Department Interim Chief, Greg Powless was contacted yesterday by Secret Service to assist in the planning and security of the visit. Due to increased security nation wide, the schedule of the President's visit had to remain

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President Bush

Bad River fire brings out good in tribes

By Steve Gandy
Kalihwisaks

On a Monday morning in early July, a fire in the Bad River health clinic ripped a hole in the small tribal community. The Bad River Tribe is located about 10 miles east of Ashland, WI on Hwy 2 in the small town of Odanah. Bad River is part of the Lake Superior Band of Chippewa.

Jackie Rose, a Grant Writer for Bad River explains, "On Monday morning July, 10th our security guard was on his way to work and he saw smoke coming out of the building and called 911...It destroyed almost everything in there."

Everything except the most vital thing. Rose says, "The only thing we we're really able to salvage was our medical records, which we were really grateful for...to reconstruct those would be a nightmare."

Although the interior of the building was gutted, the exterior looks remarkably intact. "When you look at the building it looks like the integrity is still there," Rose said.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

In addition to Rose's responsibilities as a Grant Writer, she was also charged with the duty of trying to secure relief donations and

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Bad River Fire

Oneida Nation begins construction on new Oneida One Stop

Oneida, WI) - Oneida Retail Division has begun construction on a new 18,000 square foot facility that will incorporate gasoline, tobacco sales, gaming and a new food service. The newest Oneida One Stop will include approximately 100 slot machines and restaurant and catering done by Apple Spice Junction.

The new location at 3120 Packerland Drive will replace the current Oneida Smoke Shop located at 2642 South Packerland Drive. This will be the fifth convenience store in the Oneida Retail Division, which includes the Travel Center just off Hwy 29, West Wind on West Mason St, Hwy 54 One Stop in Oneida and E & EE One Stop in Oneida. The Oneida One Stop convenience stores are owned and operated by the Oneida Tribe under the Oneida Retail Division.

The One Stop will include a smoke shop and 16 gas pumps. Mobil will continue to be the brand of gasoline both diesel and regular fuel.

According to Oneida Retail Assistant Profit Manager Wayne Skenandore, the new expanded location will "help us to stay more competitive and it will help also to increase sales and profits."

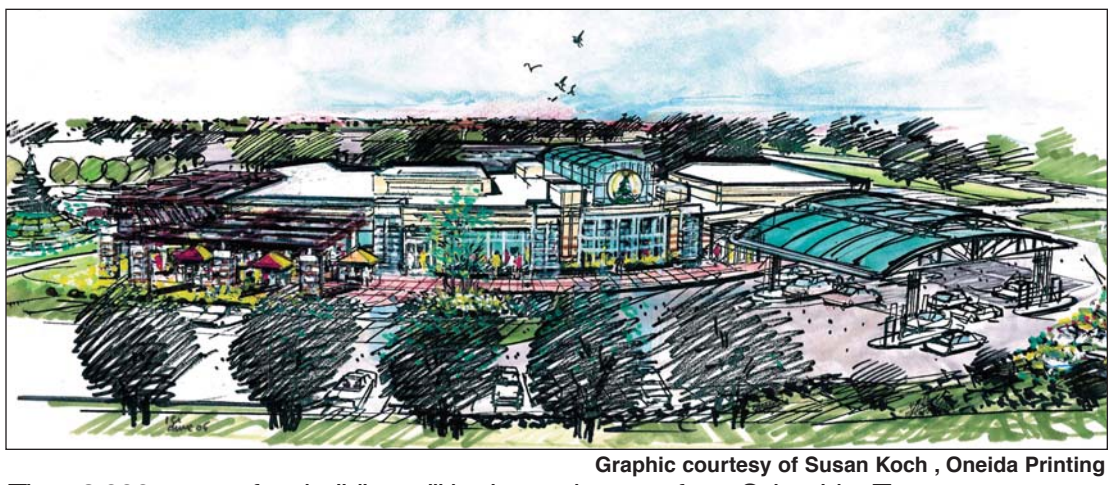
Apple Spice Junction is a new restaurant and catering chain in the mid west. They will be operated and managed by the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, providing top quality service and customer satisfaction.

There will be approximately 4000 square feet to accommodate 100 slot machines on the gaming floor. The facility will employ approximately 30 employees.

The One Stop will be a 24 hour operation, 7 days a week. The new convenience store is expected to be operational before the end of this year.

The new store is located in an area of rapid development and near large businesses such as Schneider Transport.

"Most customers for convenience stores come from within one mile radius, so definitely, the people across the street are going to be a target market," said Skenandore.



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The 18,000 square foot building will be located across from Schneider Transport.

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Ecstasy a deadly drug

By Steven J Gandy
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Ecstasy, an illegal controlled substance which can go by names like X, Love Drug, Hug Drug, Lover's Speed or Disco Biscuit is an upper and a hallucinogen used to enhance the senses of the user. It can causes sleep disorders and muscle tension in the jaw as well as affection towards others.



Photos Courtesy of Oneida Police Department

The drug, typically used by teens and young adults, can cause serious harm to users. Death, along with brain damage, memory loss, depression and addiction are all serious complications that can arise from using Ecstasy.

According to Oneida Police Officer Chris Cornelius, " Ecstasy is a problem for some young adults and teens in our area."

Ecstasy can come in all different forms. "It can be a powder, liquid or a tablet. It can be snorted, injected with needles, smoked or taken orally by tablet or mixed with a drink. Ecstasy is most commonly taken by mouth and mostly found in tablet or capsule form," Cornelius says.

These pills and tablets are 'user-be-ware', "Any time you take a drug that was not purchased at the store or a pharmacy, you are playing Russian Roulette with your life. You have no clue how it was made or what is in it. Drug dealers do not care about life, just as long as they are making money," Cornelius points out.



The Oneida Police Department is attempting to curb drug use through education, training, awareness and enforcement of drug laws.

Parents can help by looking for signs that a child might be using the drug. Cornelius says, "First thing [parents] can do is look for the drug itself...pills vary is shape size and color. Usually these pills look like candy...Second a parent can look for tightness of the jaw. People who use Ecstasy tend to grind their teeth and they need to chew." So look for pacifiers, mouth guards, candy suckers and gum.

Also, MDMA will heighten senses so users will tend to play with things that glow, flash, flicker and smell.

Cornelius also says, "Look for other side effects, while on the drug: restlessness, increased heart rate, increased blood pressure and increased body temperature along with dry mouth. After the drug wears off: depression, irritability and exhaustion."

According to Michael Agneessens a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor, addiction can be a real cause for concern. He says signs of dependence are, "Building tolerance to a drug, needing to take the drug in larger quantities to get the desired effect or when the same amount of the drug is taken, the desired effects don't happen."

"The best way to fight any addiction to any drug is not to try it," Cornelius says. She also points out, "Drugs are not the Native way."

Agneessens points out the users not only hurt themselves, but also the people around them, "Drug abuse doesn't exist in a vacuum, if there is a family member abusing substances, that substance abuse is effecting every member of that family. People cannot imagine how life can be without using, when they are using. Until they get over the hill on it and see that there is really a splendid life after using, beyond their wildest dreams."

If you or someone close to you has an abuse problem call Oneida Behavioral Health at 490-3790. There are a team of eight Alcohol and Other Drug Addiction (AODA) counselors ready to help.

Cornelius was also quick to point out that individuals who come forward looking for help with Ecstasy or any drug abuse, should not fear repercussions from law enforcement.

Penalties for MDMA (Ecstacy) Possession.

- Charged with a class C misdemeanor
- Driver's License shall be suspended for not less than 6 mos.- up to 5 yrs.
- Forfeiture of $0 - $500
- Jail time up to 30 days in jail

Penalties for MDMA (Ecstasy) delivery or possession with intent to deliver any amount.

0-3 grams = Class F Felony - 12.5 Months/$25,000 fine
>3-10 grams = Class E Felony - 15 Months/$50,000 fine
>10-50 grams = Class D Felony - 25 Months/$100,000 fine
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Bush chooses Carl J. Artman of Oneida as new Indian Affairs leader

WASHINGTON (AP) _ President Bush is supporting Carl J. Artman, who served on the staff of Rep. Michael Oxley, R-Ohio, to oversee the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Interior Department agency that manages the 55.7 million acres of land held in trust for American Indians.

Artman, a member of the Oneida tribe of Wisconsin, serves as the Interior Department's associate solicitor for Indian affairs. Before joining the department, Artman was chief counsel for the Oneida Tribe.

Artman also has served as general manager of development and operations for VoiceStream Wireless Corp. and vice president of legal affairs for Airadigm Communications.

Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne had promised earlier this year that an American Indian would be appointed to the post. If confirmed by the Senate, Artman would replace Dave Anderson, who resigned in February 2005 to focus on business interests. Associate Deputy Interior Secretary Jim Cason has held the post temporarily since Anderson left.

"With his extensive experience working with and for tribal governments, Carl is an outstanding choice to oversee the Bureau of Indian Affairs," Kempthorne said. "I have worked with Carl and know he will ably serve American Indians and Alaska Natives as we move forward to address important issues in Indian Country, including education and economic development. He'll be an outstanding addition to the Interior leadership team."

Artman received his bachelor's degree from Columbia College in Columbia, Mo., and his law degree from Washington University in St. Louis.

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very confidential and proprietary. The Secret Service worked with Oneida Police Department to provide a safe and secure environment for the Presidential visit with five area families.

Chairman Danforth brought President Bush a traditional Oneida black ash basket as a commemoration of his visit and also provided Oneida gift baskets to each of the families of the fallen soldiers. One of the mothers represented today is an employee at the Oneida Housing Authority.

Chairman Danforth was pleased and honored that President Bush selected the Oneida Police Department as a safe and secured facility to meet with the families. Chairman Danforth said, "Law enforcement on the Oneida Reservation is something everyone can be very proud of and I believe the visit today exemplifies the benefits of shared services in the area between Oneida and several other law enforcement agencies."

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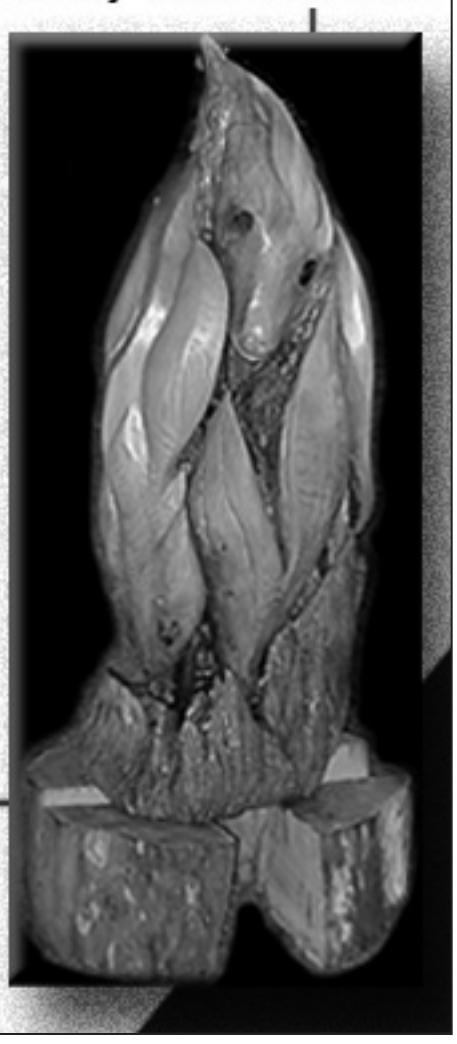
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objectives that go along with that for the Nation. These are the things that the Business Committee wants to see the Nation evolve to in the next three to five years. Now I have to take and translate that to the programs in certain areas."

Q. Can you give us a couple of examples of what areas that the ONBS would address?

A. "They want to see an improvement in the delivery of customer service, and services to tribal members," said Thundercloud. "They want to have a quality of life index where we look at measuring tribal members quality of life and how our programs and services actually impacting the quality of life. Looking at our culture and heritage and making sure that all our programs and services have a cultural component to them so that we're continuing to exercise our sovereignty and maintaining those cultural ties that we should be exercising."

"Business and economic development continuing to diversify our economy would be the top priorities... and the development of the commerce division... bringing additional revenue to the economy of the tribe,." said Thundercloud.

Q. Who will be looking at the quality of life survey of index measurement?

A "I envision a whole team looking at it" said Thundercloud. "It will be a cross representation of people" Thundercloud said. "One of the areas that have to be addressed and improved upon due to the concern would be the stability of the health center because of so many changes in the leadership," Thundercloud added..

"They have completed the design phase of the elderly center and now we have to do an analysis on the cost of square footage. It's coming in at an escalated rate and we have to look at what are the necessary things that we need for that project."

Q. Who is responsible for the analysis?

A. "I believe there is a team from the health center, nursing home, and commission on aging. The fitness center should be included in that plan" said Thundercloud. "We're trying to make it so the elderly don't have to travel to get their services."

Q. Is the Tribe looking at the development of housing?

A. "The land commission's planning department has a 2020 housing plan. There are six different sites that have been identified. ...because of the waste water treatment facility. We're gonna be in control of our own water and sewer expansion and we're in a better place to select the sites. We want to have that expansion and keep that rural, kind of environment on the reservation. The goal is to try and create these housing developments by the year 2020."

Q. Is there a way to address and look at the lower budgeted programs that we need more money funneled into to function to provide a quality job because you're talking about quality services.

A. "The Business Committee has charged me with doing an organizational analysis of all the areas that report to me. They want me to look into all those areas and make recommendations as to what improvements need to be made. If there's consolidations need to occur, or if there's movements of those programs and if they would fit better in another program."

Q. Are you aware or is there talk about building a new high school or where that project is at?

A. "It's not a construction project though it's more of a plan to move all the other entities out of the Norbert Hill Center to bring that up as a high school facility. I know there was an administrative facility that was on the Comprehensive Improvement Plan (CIP) list and I believe that is still there and that was always the intent to clear out the NHC for the high school, said Thundercloud.

Q. Do you have anything else you'd like to add?

A. "Another issue is doing an analysis of our information technology system which is one of the benchmarks we have to meet too. We need to make improvements in the tribes overall system. Allocating capital in the area of technology is something that will have to be looked at."

Community-Block Party fans strut their stuff



Kalih photo/Cathy Delgado

Sandy Dennett and Evelyn Elm jig at the Oneida Housing Tenant-Community Block Party on Wednesday, August 9 at the Three Sisters Housing Site. Music was provided by Cherokee Rose. The event included door prizes, live music and food.

FUNdraising event to fight diabetes

Join the American Diabetes Association on Saturday, September 30th at Green Isle Park to raise funds for diabetes research and education, as well as to raise awareness about diabetes. Team up with your co-workers, family and friends to participate in America's Walk for Diabetes. Registration is free.

America's Walk for Diabetes is the ADA's signature fund raising event. The event has grown from 11 sites in its first year to nearly 300 sites with more than 125,000 walkers, spectators and volunteers nationwide. Last year, America's Walk for Diabetes raised more than $18 million to support the ADA. 80% of every dollar raised goes to help and support those with diabetes with 1.4 million being used by the research facilities at the UW-Madison and the College of Medicine in Milwaukee.

This fall, teams in nearly 250 locations across the country will lace up their walking shoes and hit the streets to raise nearly $20 million, to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. Choose the 5k (3.6 miles) or the 10k (6.2 miles) route. Both have 9:00 AM Starts.

For those who do not wish to walk, the ADA is looking for volunteers. We need help right now in obtaining donations for the WALK, finalizing the route, planning the Family Fun Center and much more. So if you have 1 hour or more to dedicate to this very worthwhile fund-raising cause please contact Sue Toepel. Our ADA volunteers have expressed a great feeling of personal reward as well as having a wonderful time at the fund-raising events. There's no pressure involved and your help is greatly appreciated. Young, old…whatever age, everyone is invited to help fight diabetes. Plus, it's a great opportunity for students to fulfill their community service hours .

For more information on how to participate in the America's Walk for Diabetes co**ntact:**

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CHOOSE THREE (3)

- GINA POWLESS BUENROSTRO
- ARLENE DANFORTH
- CAROL (CAROLINE) SMITH
- CAROLE LIGGINS
- DELLORA R. CORNELIUS
- SHIRLEY BARBER
- JOSEPHINE (JO) OUDENHOVEN
- DAVID A. WEBSTER
- BARBARA J. CORNELIUS
- LOIS METOXEN STRONG
- LORETTA V. METOXEN

GAMING COMMISSION
CHOOSE ONE (1)

- JULIE BARTON
- STANLEY WEBSTER
- PAMELA HARMS
- ROCHELLE A. POWLESS

ONEIDA NATION COMMISSION ON AGING (ONCOA)
CHOOSE THREE (3)

- DELLORA R. CORNELIUS
- WARREN SKENADORE
- VERA D. WILSON
- ROCHELLE A. POWLESS
- JOSEPHINE (JO) OUDENHOVEN
- DONALD D. MCLESTER
- JACQUELINE R. THOMAS

LAND CLAIMS COMMISSION
CHOOSE TWO (2)

- GINA POWLESS BUENROSTRO
- WENDELL W. MCLESTER
- LORETTA V. METOXEN
- LEYNE OROSCO
- HUGH DANFORTH

ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD
PARENT POSITION
CHOOSE TWO (2)

- STACEY NIETO
- RON HILL JR. "TEHASSI"

ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD
AT LARGE POSITION
CHOOSE TWO (2)

- LINDA MERCIER
- JAMES "JIM" MARTIN

REFERENDUM QUESTION

The Trust- Enrollment Committee requests your approval for the development of a separation plan. The Plan would require the General Tribal Council's ratification. Since 1974, the functions of the Trust-Enrollment Committee have grown in complexity and scope. The Committee addresses issues on trust fund investment responsibilities with the Trust Department, and administers all Tribal enrollment responsibilities with the Enrollment Department. Each Department has it's own focus separate from each. To better meet the growing needs of the Oneida Nation, the Trust Department, the Enrollment Department, and the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee recommend creating two (2) separate committees. The two Committees would still remain under the direct authority of the General Tribal Council.

I approve the development of a Plan to Separate the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee.

- YES
- NO

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Business

BUSINESS

Diversification is key to the future

Submitted by Brenda Mendolla-Buckley
Seven Generations Board of Directors Chairperson

There is an old saying that the only thing constant is change. Certainly that saying applies to life on the Oneida Nation Reservation. It has changed considerably during the past 25 years and most of the positive changes are due to Oneida Gaming.

The income from gaming revenues has given our Tribe an opportunity to broaden our economic base. No longer are we critically reliant on money from the federal government. It has allowed us to constrict and operate one of the premier hotel and convention centers in the nation. However, today the Oneida Radisson Hotel and Conference Center is just one of our income sources.

Another is Oneida Seven Generations Corporation (OSGC). Despite the fact OSGC is a tribally chartered, tribally owned corporation as authorized by the Tribe, most of us know little about it.

The mission of OSGC is to promote and enhance business and economic diversification in two ways:

Act as a holding company for real estate assets and business ventures, and, Manage related assets of the Oneida Nation

In accomplishing these missions, Oneida Seven Generations is developing long-term income streams for the corporate shareholders who are you - Oneida tribal members.

We Oneidas long ago made a commitment to building a strong economy and improving our quality of life in the community. We take pride in our philosophy of planning for seven generations.

For generations we were hard- pressed to accomplish that goal, but with the advent of the Smoke Shops and Oneida Bingo that philosophy became a possibility. With the advent of Oneida Casino Gaming and the opening of the highly successful Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, the opportunity to plan for seven generations became real.

Let's look at the projects OSCG has undertaken for insuring our future. One is a partnership with Management Enterprises to form Babcock I, another limited liability corporation. Babcock I initially constructed the 50,000 square foot health facility that is being leased to Bellin Health Systems. Now the Babcock I, in conjunction with Bellin Health Systems is expanding that structure on Comanche Avenue by 62,000 square feet. The new addition, as well as the initial structure, will be devoted to sports rehabilitation. Previously the facility was used as a clinic and therapy center.

With the additional space, two major Green Bay orthopedic groups will take up residence. They are Green Bay Orthopedic Center and Orthopedic Associates of Green Bay. Both are established medical operations in the area and both are under a long term lease as is Bellin Health. Oneida Seven Generations owns 51% of the project and is sharing in 51% of the profits.

Another major undertaking for Oneida Seven Generations is Packerland Industrial Park. This 160-acre site fronts along Packerland Drive in Ashwaubenon and is immediately west of the Ashwaubenon Industrial Park. The land is being offered on a lease basis in tracts no smaller than five acres and is being marketed to major industrial or office tenants. It is also a free trade zone.

Other projects include the construction of the U.S. Post Office facility in the Oneida Business Park, along Highway 54 in Oneida. This structure is under a 40-year lease to the U.S. Postal Service. Oneida Seven Generations Corporation also manages the mall along West Mason Street. This facility contains Sun Seekers and Gallagher's among others. The strip mall, adjacent to Tony Roma's on Packerland Drive is also under Oneida Seven Generations management.

While these operations are very beneficial to the Oneida Nation economically, they offer certain benefits to the partners/tenants. The leasing companies pay no tribal corporate income tax. There is no tax on goods for resale or other-wise in stock. The Tribe can legally be grantees for general purpose Foreign Trade Zone, as businesses with facilities on the reservation.

Another Oneida Seven Generations project in operation is the Oneida Casino Travel Center. This facility, located on old 29 Drive near highways 29 and 32, is the result of a partnership between the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and Oneida Seven Generations. The two formed Oneida Generations, a limited liability corporation, to construct a 23,000 square foot Travel Center that includes a restaurant, a retail/convenience area and casino.

More projects are being developed. All offer exciting possibilities for our future.

While none of these operations generate the income of the gaming operations, they do offer considerable enhancement to the Tribe's economy. Moreover, they offer long-term stability to our economy. It is unlikely that gaming will come to an end very soon. But just in case, Oneida Seven Generations Corporation is designed to give us future income, quality of life and employment for at least the next seven generations.

Indian Entrepreneur Class held this fall

Submitted by Linda Sapp
AIEDF Director Edu./Operations

The American Indian Economic Development Fund (AIEDF) will be holding their fall Indian Entrepreneur Class at the Fortune Bay Casino, Tower MN. This 33 hour class will run for two week-ends with the first class being held October 20-22 and the second part of the class being held on November 3-5, 2006. Students must attend both week-ends to complete the course.

The AIEDF is a nonprofit agency who is positioned to help American Indian entrepreneurs by providing individualized, culturally-relevant business education. Also counseling and mentoring throughout the loan process. The AIEDF provides culturally sensitive financial technical assistance. They arrange and facilitate meetings between the entrepreneur and the main lender. Participate in the loan proves by providing gap funds at below-market interest rates and act as an advocate for the interests of the entrepreneur throughout the application, approval, and repayment process.

The Fund makes loans to men and women who are creating or expanding retail, services and manufacturing business - all of which hire American Indians as employees.

If you are interested in starting a business or expanding an existing business and would like more information about the entrepreneur class or want to request an application for the class, please call **651-917-0819.**

Calendar

August 25-27

25th Annual Artstreet
WHEN: Friday, August 25th to Sunday, August 17th
TIME: Fri. - 5:00pm to 12:00am, Sat. - 10:00am to 12:00am, Sun. - 10:00am to 5:00pm
PLACE: Downtown Green Bay
Fine arts, live entertainment and cultural activities. Admission is free. Call **920-435-5220** for more information.

September 4-15

Plume Creations – Quilting Class (baby quilt)
WHEN: Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays starting September 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, & 15 2006
TIME: 6-8:00pm
PLACE: Parish Hall, 2937 Freedom Rd., Cty. EE
FMI, call Jodell Crawford at **(920) 217-1487.**

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 2:30–2:30 pm
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at **(920) 869-4280, 4279** or **4277** to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Clothing Drive/Exchange

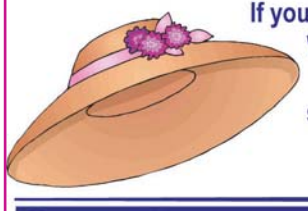
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Sakoli



My name is Ron Hill Jr. "Tehassi" and I am running for a seat on the Land Commission. I believe that this land is our home and the basis of our sovereignty. I also believe that the current rate of land purchase is not fast enough to keep up with the demands of the citizens of our Nation i.e. residential housing, recreational use, and the preservation of wild life and its habitat.
The non-Indian sub-divisions are encroaching upon our reservation from all sides. The local municipalities are imposing their laws within our Nations borders in a blatant attempt to diminish our sovereignty.
It is stated in our treaties that this land is for our free use and enjoyment, for us and our Indian friends living among us. It is also our right to govern all lands within our Nation's borders. We need to remember that we are a sovereign Nation. Our sovereignty should be exercised on a daily basis. Our complacency over the years has gotten the best of us, to the degree where we accept the status quo.
Vote for me and I will fight to retain our inherent sovereign right of self-government. I will constantly push to regain our land holdings within our borders. I also support purchasing land in the surrounding area outside of our borders; increasing our original acreage beyond 65,000.

Authorized and paid for by Ron 'Tehassi' Hill Jr.

Seeking your vote for Re-Election
Anita Barber



Daughter to Shirley (John) Barber and the late Jim Barber
Mom to 4 wonderful children
Grandmother to 3 beautiful granddaughters

Current Oneida Nation Appeals Commissioner

Experience:
* Served as s Lead Judicial Officer on Trial and Appellate Cases
* Wrote opinions and decisions on cases
* Served as Secretary for the Wisconsin Indian Education Association
* Lifelong informed community member
Developed and implemented Standard Operating Procedures and Work Standards Created By-Laws as a team member
Assisted with the coordination of Peacemaking and other conferences

Education:
*High School Diploma - East Green Bay
* Bachelor of Arts Degree - St. Norbert College
* Master of Science Degree in Organizational Leadership and Quality Marian College of Fond du Lac
* Tribal Legal Studies courses through the College of Menominee Nation
Courses attended at the National Judicial College
Certificates on Logic and Opinion Writing

Training on:
- Oneida Rules of Civil Procedure
- Oneida Rules of Appellate Procedure
- Initial Reviews
- Oneida Constitution
- Oneida APA
- Oneida Blue Book

Authorized and paid for by Anita Barber

Local

Rebuilding the past for the future



Kali Photo/Steven J Gandy

(Left to Right) Ted Christjohn, Lyle Connon and Aloyious Jourdan work to restore the stone retaining wall along Holy Apostle Cemetery.

By Steven J Gandy
Kalihwisaks

If you've recently driven past Holy Apostle cemetery, you have probably noticed the work being done to the original stone retaining wall that separates years of Oneida family lineage from the nearby Hwy E/U.

Three dedicated Oneida Veterans Aloyious Jourdan, Lyle Connon and Ted Christjohn are hard at work to restore portions of the wall which are shifting toward the road.

Christ john, an employee of Holy Apostle, says, "All this dirt is falling over, that's what it is. The movement of the dirt goes right through here from when the company came through and put a water main in here and it shifted the whole ground."

According to Christjohn, "The wall is over a hundred years old, it has been around as long as that church has been here."

In modern time the wall would not be nearly as difficult to erect as it was a century ago. "They hauled stone through here from the quarry with horse and buggy. They didn't have modern tools and stone cutters, back then they used hammer and chisel," Christjohn says.

The trio has been hard at work for two weeks and have another week of work to go as of August 14th.

"Now it's just putting the puzzle back together," Christjohn jokes as he stands near the pile of stone now removed from the wall.

Anyone interested in making a donation to the Holy Apostle wall restoration effort is urged to contact the Holy Apostle Church for information at **869-2565.**

Lt. Gov Visits Oneida

By Steven J Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Kali Photo/Steven J Gandy

Lt. Governor Barbara Lawton delivers the opening comments at the Aug 3 Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) conference held at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center



On Thursday August 3rd, Lieutenant Governor Barbra Lawton gave the opening statements for a meeting of the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) at the Radisson Conference Center hosted by the Oneida Nation. MAST is an organization that represents 35 tribes throughout the midwestern states. Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, and Iowa all have tribes involved with MAST.

According to MAST's website, www.m-a-s-t.org, MAST's mission is to "advance, protect, preserve, and enhance the mutual interests, treaty rights, sovereignty, and cultural way of life of the sovereign nations of the Midwest throughout the 21st century."

Lawton explains, "It's my position in coming here to welcome [MAST] to Wisconsin, which is a tremendous honor, is as thought your welcoming the United Nations."

Oneida Nation Chairman Gerald Danforth, who attended the MAST meeting, said, "We're very pleased that the Lt Gov takes time to participate in sessions like this."

"I feel like, in Wisconsin, that we have worked hard toward a very productive and appropriate relationship between the state and the tribal nations. This will serve us well in moving forward we have a shared destiny, in terms of the economy of Wisconsin," Lawton notes.

Danforth said, "The Lt. Governor and Governor Doyle have really come through with a lot of issues that they've talked about early on in their campaigning years. What they are saying and what they are doing really marries up well and they come through."

Danforth explains, "About three months ago [Doyle] signed a bill into law that recognizes tribal leaders as governmental leaders, as opposed to lobbyists, in their dealings with the state."

Oneida offers youth employment

The Oneida Job Training Program is taking applications for the Youth Work Experience Program. Limited work slots are available for this introduction to the world of work. The program includes work experience, tutoring, and career orientation. The youth will be paid minimum wage of $5.90 hr, and are eligible to work a maximum of 10 hours a week.

Requirements for the program are:

*Youth ages 14 - 21 years who are attending school, or returning to school full-time, and
*Enrolled with a federally recognized Tribe, member of an Alaskan village or Hawaiian Native, and
*30 -day resident of our service area, and
8Meet federal low-income family guidelines, receive MA, WIA, TANF, food stamps, SS or SSI, or
*Medically-diagnosed disability (cognitive, emotional or physical) which includes ADD, ADHD, LD, and ED, or
*Youth living out-of-home through a court-ordered placement.

To obtain an application contact Sandi Skenadore at **490-3789**, **sskenado@oneidanation.org.** or Patricia Summers at **490-3796**, **psummers@oneidanation.org**

The deadline to apply is Wednesday, Sept. 6th, 2006. All names will be entered into a drawing and youth will be contacted for employment in the order their name is drawn.

Meet Stephen Loritz of Environmental Health and Safety Department

Submitted by Stephen Loritz
Environmental Health and Safety

Hello, my name is Stephen Loritz. I am returning as your Environmental Engineering Specialist with the Environmental, Health and Safety Division.

My primary responsibility will be to implement the Tribes Underground Storage Tank program. This program has received a grant from the U.S. EPA to allow me to provide compliance assistance to owners and operators of underground storage tanks on the reservation. I will also provide assistance to the Tribal Response/ Brownfield program.

I have a degree in Environmental Science from U.W.- Green Bay and a degree in Engineering Technology from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College.

I previously held this position from1993 through 1999.



Stephen Loritz

have been a stay home dad for the past six years. My wife Peggy, a former teacher at the Turtle School, and I have four children and live in Bellevue.

Oneida State Legislature Candidates Forum

August 31, 2006 Radisson - Wolf Room

10:00am Republican Candidates
11:45 am Lunch Provided
1:15 pm Democratic Candidates

Invited Candidates:

Rich Langen
Phil Montgomery
Thomas Nelson
Jim Reigel
Dan Aude
Jim Soletski
Judy Krawczyk
Carl Arnoldi
Gary Froseth
Karl Van Roy

Topics for the forum include:
sovereignty, Indian gaming, Wisconsin's economy, taxation, education, land into trust, and environmental regulation on the reservation.

Please RSVP and for any questions contact Tana Aquirre at:
taguirre@oneidanation.org
or
920.869.4239

"The Oneida Tribe does not personally support any single candidate."

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Legislative Review, Letters

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Presidential Visit

On Thursday, August 10, Oneida had an unexpected visitor, the President of the United States, the honorable George W. Bush. During his visit to the area, the President requested the use of the Oneida Police Department as headquarters to hold personal meetings with families of fallen military personnel from Northeast Wisconsin. While it was public knowledge that the President was scheduled to visit the area, it was not known until the day before that he wanted to use our facilities. This request was very significant, as it came only one day after the thwarted terrorist plot in London, England. This eminent threat raised the national security alert to a heightened level throughout the United States, and that Oneida was able to fulfill all safety and security requirements in short notice and in the professional manner that it did, speaks very highly of our Oneida Police, communications and hospitality services.

For security reasons the nature of the visit, its location and the participants involved, could not be made public ahead of time. I am however, very happy to report that Oneida rallied in true fashion to make this a professional, respectful, and a flawless event that was greatly appreciated by the veterans' families and the President.

During lunch time on Wednesday, August 9, I was informed by the Oneida Police Chief, Greg Powless of the Presidential request, which included an opportunity to have four Oneida officials greet the President. We had only a couple of hours to provide names, social security numbers, and birth dates to security agents in order to complete background checks. Oneida Police officers, already in a heightened state of operations assisting with the general security associated with the President's visit, now had many additional in-house details to tend to.

I, along with Secretary, Patti Hoeft, Councilman, Ed Delgado, and Oneida Veteran, Valdor John, welcomed the President. There were many others however, whom were critical to the success of this event and I would like to recognize them. From the Oneida Police Department, I would like to recognize Interim Chief of Police Dennis Powless, Interim Assistant Chief of Police Rich VanBoxtel, Lieutenant Ron King, Sr., Sergeants Marty Antone, Dan House, Mark Ninham and Mark Stanchik, Officers Dale Metoxen, Merlin Cornelius, Larry Jordan, Bill Cone, Lyle Metoxen, Ron King Jr., Chris Cornelius, Lester Harms, Joel Maxam, Matt Ninham and Eric Boulanger, as well as office staff Ronda Skenandore, Connie Horen, Patricia Laughterbach, Jean Rose, Nathan Ness, Luwasanahawi Danforth and lastly Twyla Jordan and Carol Clausen. Staff from the Security Department also assisted with the event and they are: Lieutenant Chris Laes and Officers Bill Seidl, Don Gilbert, Brad Shimek, Susan Bozile and Rod Lu Maye. Technical assistance for the facility was also provided by D.P.W. workers Patrick Madrid and Phillip King, Jr. The Radisson Hotel and Convention Center catered a luncheon and provided very professional wait service, for this I thank: Jodi Swaitnicki the Catering Manager, Servers Cayla Singer and Lauren Kinser (in Radisson professional style uniform), the Executive Chef Craig Kwosek and the Senior Banquet Manager, Alison Hutchinson. My appreciation also goes to the Communications Department Director, Bobbi Webster and Public Relation Specialist Pete King III, for providing an Oneida black ash basket with sweet grass for the President. Finally, I also thank the Oneida Museum Director Rita Lara and Administrative Assistant Cindy Summers for providing gift baskets for the veterans' families.

While the Oneida Police Department had a few more hours to prepare, the Radisson Hotel, Communications Department and Museum had only two hours notice to pull all these things together. The expertise of the staff from Oneida's departments and businesses, truly exemplifies the professionalism and dedication our employees have to ensure Oneida's success. I can't adequately express how proud we were to represent Oneida on this special occasion.

Yawko!
Gerald L. Danforth,
Chairman
Chairman

Treasurer's Report



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

Greetings,

FY 2006 Budget

The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting.

My office is scheduled to present the 3rd Quarter Treasurer's Report to the Business Committee on August 16th. As of the close of the 3rd Quarter, June 2006, the organization is performing better than budget. A financial analyst team has been working with the areas that are outside variance guidelines. The areas will continue to submit detailed information in regard to their variances and how they will impact the budget at the end of the fiscal year.

FY2007 Budget

The FY2007 budget process is underway and information has been communicated to the business units on the overall timeline. The budget has been consolidated and balanced, as the team prepares to move forward for Business Committee approval on August 16th, 2006. Once we receive Business Committee approval, we can move forward with preparations for General Tribal Council review.

The FY2007 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council review has been changed to September 16th, 2006. Please watch in upcoming weeks for notice of the FY2007 Budget Community Meeting information.

Balanced Scorecard

The Balanced Scorecard was approved in April and we now have a National Balanced Scorecard. Cascading is part of the next steps. Cascading of the Balanced Scorecard involves the Division, Business Unit and Departments aligning to the National Scorecard. The Business Committee will be one of the first areas to go through the cascading process with the Division areas following shortly after. We look forward to sharing our scorecard with you after it is completed. We anticipate that the full cascading will not be complete until Fiscal Year 2009.

New General Manager

Please join me in welcoming Debbie Thundercloud as our new General Manager of the organization. Prior to accepting the General Manager position, Debbie was the Ombudsperson for the organization, and previously served two consecutive terms as the Oneida Tribal Chairwoman, and one term as Vice-Chairwoman. Welcome to our team Debbie!

Community Information

The return to school is just around the corner for all of our youth. I would like to wish them all the best of luck in returning to school in the upcoming weeks.

Get out the Vote!

As many of you are aware, elections are once again upon us as this is an election year. It is very important that our citizens and employees of the Oneida Nation encourage one another to take the time to register and go to the polls and vote.

I hope everyone has had a safe and enjoyable summer! Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at **(920) 869-4364**, or toll free **1-800-236-2214.**

Yaw^ko
Mercie L. Danforth

Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Melinda Danforth

It's once again, an exciting time of year as parents and students begin preparations back to school. I hope everyone had an enjoyable and safe summer thus far! This summer the Oneida Business Committee had several interns assisting in various offices. I had the distinct pleasure of supervising and working with Brandon Stevens. Brandon is currently attending Haskell Indian Nations University and will be graduating in 2007 with his Bachelors Degree in Business Administration. My goal was to provide Brandon with a wide range of opportunities to explore the duties and daily schedule of the Business Committee. At this time, I'd like to acknowledge all the summer interns whom worked for the Oneida Nation and encourage you to continue your career paths and hopefully will bring your knowledge and wisdom back to the Oneida Nation.

The Business Committee has been actively involved with Balanced Scorecard which is a strategic design tool for establishing and communicating strategy. This tool establishes a framework of maintaining one vision, one mind. The logic behind the Balanced Scorecard strategic planning is--it's a leadership process that leads to management activity. A strategy focused organization requires all employees to understand the strategy and conduct their day to day business in a way that contributes to the success of the strategy. The Business Committee is preparing for setting their strategic themes and creating our own alignment to the national scorecard.

Over the course of the next several months I will be teaming up with Councilman Ninham on several projects. We're planning to host a Youth Summit. Were currently in the initial stages of fact finding and looking demographically of where and who our youth are, how we currently meet their needs, how can we strategically bring back the family concept, and identify our how we can improve in our service areas to meet the needs of our youth. I encourage all the youth to watch for upcoming announcement and invite you to actively participate and have some fun!! Your voices are very important to the Nation as we move forward.

Recently, the Legislative Operating Committee held a public hearing to discuss the draft Judiciary Act, which would establish an Oneida Nation judicial system and tribal court. I truly support the development of a tribal court system. However, the current draft of the Judiciary Act has left many questions concerning jurisdiction, structure, legality, and authorities. Also, General Tribal Council, on more than one occasion, has not supported this concept in the past and I believe that the Legislative Operating Committee needs to ensure that the General Tribal Council is fully aware of the ramifications that the proposed judiciary act presents. The magnitude and impact of this legislation is extensive and the Legislative Operating Committee needs to actively seek comments from our tribal citizens through several public hearings and additional forums.

In closing, I'd like to thank all the tribal departments and staff whom were involved in providing summer programming for our youth. It's exciting to see the youth participating in organized activities, participating in cultural camps, going on field trips, being involved in reading clubs, active in summer sporting events, and attending workshops that expand their learning. Thanks for a job well done!

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact my office at **920-869-4461**, my email address is **mdanfj@oneidanation.org** , or contact my Assistant, Julie Denny at **920-869-4422**.

Letters...

Where is the Picture Lady?

The November 2005 issue of the Kalihwisaks printed a story on Barb Skenandore who initiated a program called "Photos from the Past" at the Oneida Library. With the approval of the Director, it didn't take long before the "Picture Lady" had her work cut out for her. A verbal agreement identified exactly the purpose of the program. The agreement also stated that if the Program was stopped, people could get their photos back.

Members of the community, the majority being elders, entrusted their pictures to Barb for this program so that families could share and be able to possibly come to know who their relatives were and what they looked like. It was a perfect way for many people to further identify "unknown" people/possibly ancestry in photos. It is my understanding that Barb took this responsibility on, "hook, line and sinker" and thoroughly enjoyed every minute she spent on this program. Since I'm a picture lover and have many old pictures of our family, I thought that this would be a good way to share the photos through this program. I called Barb (from Illinois) to make an appointment. Barb seemed as excited as me when I told her that I wanted to bring my pictures to the Library so she could begin imaging or scanning them for the accession process.

While I was at the Library waiting for my original pictures to be returned, (pictures are scanned and the originals returned to you), I had the opportunity to go through some of the work already done. I'm not certain how many of you have had an opportunity to see how much work has gone into this project, but what I can tell you is that it is IMPRESSIVE.

Is it any wonder then that when I recently visited the Oneida Library I was told Barb had resigned. I could not believe what I heard so I waited for the Director of the Library to return. It was true, he said. Barb had resigned and would not be coming back. It was hard for me to believe that she just handed in her resignation when she was so passionate about this program. Where was the "Picture Lady?"

It appears that politics has been lingering around the program and has finally stamped a seal on it, and that's why, in part, she has resigned. If you see Barb, ask her what happened, I did. She went out of her way to build this program so that anyone interested could have photos of their ancestors, to make sure that your pictures and mine would be protected by the Library, and that's why I'm writing this letter. I want Barb to know how much I appreciated her efforts in all she did for this Program and to thank her for the wonderful job she did. This was an excellent program without the politics and it should stay that way. I don't want my ancestor's pictures caught up in a frenzy of some person's "control."

I urge the members of the Community to not let this happen. Whose hands are involved in trying to take the program away? Where is the Director's support for his staff who worked so hard to get it off the ground? There are a lot of people who contributed their personal pictures to this program. It's time to back up our "picture lady."

Lila Watts
Oneida Tribal Member

P.S. I also understand there is a new agreement that's in draft form to replace the verbal agreement. I asked the Director for a copy and still haven't received it.

Get out the vote

The Oneida Tribe is holding a special election on Saturday August 26, 2006 for various Boards, Committees and Commissions. Don't forget to vote as the candidates are counting on you to support them.

On September 12 the State of Wisconsin is holding primary elections for the 8th Congressional District. There are three Democrats running: Nancy Nusbaum, Steve Kagan and Jamie Wall. There are two Republicans running: John Gard and Terry McCormack.

My daughter and I are currently working on Nancy's campaign because we feel she has the most experience in government and she understands Tribal Sovereignty. She has a one page Tribal Position Paper you may want

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From Page 1A/*Bad River Fire*



Kali photo/Steve Gandy

Pictured above is the remains of the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa's Health and Wellness Center. Although the outside of the structure looks fiarly undamaged, the interior of the building was completely gutted by fire on July 10. The Bad River Tribe is currently setting up a temporary health center on the front lawn of the current site.

other contributions. Rose talks about the donations received from The Oneida Tribe, "The generosity that we received from the Oneida Nation has helped us to get up and running again because we had absolutely nothing." She goes on, "They had identified one of their staff members to be our relief coordinator and through her efforts, not only did she secure donations from Oneida, but through contacts with other agencies and so on. We got supplies and equipment plus a financial donation from Oneida which words can't even explain how well it's been received here."

Cathy Bachhuber was the designated Oneida staff member that Rose mentioned. Bachhuber coordinated the relief efforts and helped with the transporting of supplies and equipment. Bachhuber said, "Most of the truck was filled with medical supplies, about 3/4 of it came from the health center."

"Oneida, in my opinion, there generosity is just beyond words...it just warms you up inside to know our fellow tribal brothers and sisters are there in your time of need, that's what it's all about," Rose said of the Oneida relief efforts.

The Bad River Clinic services over 4000 people Rose said. Their enrollment is over 7000 with a local community of about 2500.

The economic impact of an event like this is staggering. According to Don Wilkes, the Bad River Tribes Accounting Manager, the insured value of the property and equipment is approximately $2,000,000. In addition to the cost of replacing the building, equipment and supplies, Wilkes reminds us that short term costs are also increasing. "A prescription that would cost us $40.00 to dispense here at our own pharmacy would cost us $100.00 in Ashland, Wilkes notes. "What we could provide medical service for, you're probably looking at 100 - 115 % increase in that cost for a person to be seen in Ashland."

Currently, the tribe has set up a temporary site in a vacant conference room. "Right now our doctor is operating out of a conference center over in our head-start building to try to see patients," Rose explains. "Our Pharmacy has been set up. They are set up in a vacant room in our convenience store-gas station area so it's easily accessible to all our community members.

A plan to set up a modular site near the burned out clinic began on August 8th.

For now, Bad River is just trying to sift through the rubble and get things restored.

Rose explains the tribe's future goals, "The short term goal is basically to get our operations back up and running, and once we get that accomplished then we will begin to look at the reconstruction of [the clinic.] Bad River wants to be cautious when we rebuild, we want to make sure we're addressing everybody's needs; that we do it right."

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campaign head quarters.

Those who have not registered to vote should do so before election day as the rules have changed to prevent voter fraud. If you don't have time to stand in line to vote on election day you can fill out forms for absentee ballots at your town hall. If you check the box you will receive all future ballots in the mail and you will never have to stand in line again. Now if we could just vote by phone like they do on American Idol.

My family and I were part of a volunteer team that worked on the "Get Out the Vote!" for the 2004 Presidential Campaign here in Oneida. The objective of the project was to encourage community members to vote. The efforts did not go to waste; many Oneida community members voted for their first time. It was great to see such a positive reaction in our community.

The Oneida votes captured the election for Tomas Nelson. Since that time Representative Nelson has worked hard to prevent the dumping of PCBs in the Westside Landfill north of the airport. His efforts paid off and the Georgia-Pacific company withdrew their permits to dump the PCBs. This is just one recent example of an elected official working for Oneida people. Please remember this and vote for Representative Nelson on November 7th during mid-term elections.

Laura Manthe

Websites for voters

Shekolih,

It is getting to that point in time again to use your ability to vote. I know that when this time meets me, I feel that I am not always as informed as I may want to be, about the candidates that are running for office.

I have been asked to share some information to help you shape our future. There are various websites on the internet that can help. Here are two websites that I found useful.

http://rmc.library.cornell.edu/vote/index.html is a website that will give you history on the voting process as well as things, like the meaning behind party symbols and mascots.

http://www.vote-smart.org/index.htm calls itself a Voter Self Defense System.

Both of these websites have various links to other websites that share the same theme.

Thanks,
Chad Wilson

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If you have any questions, please contact the Conservation Office at 869-1450

Please Vote For

Jennifer Webster



Current Member of the Oneida Appeals Commission

Seeking Re-Election

EXPERIENCE

- Knowledge of Oneida Court System and Tribal Laws
- Experience in developing By-laws and Policies + Procedures
- Informed member of Oneida Community
- Unbiased and equal decision maker
- Leadership, Management and Communication skills
- Business Marketing and Promotion skills
- Successful Business owner "Web's Kustom Touch Auto Body"

EDUCATION

- Travelers World Omega - Certificate Program -Travel Agent Series
- University of Wisconsin- Oshkosh - Certificate Program - Small Business Management Marketing Management Series
- University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh - Certificate Program - Essentials of Management Oneida Tribal Management Program
- Certificate Training-Tribal Court Seminar
- Certificate Training-Conducting Fair Hearings, Due Process, Ex parte Communication
- Certificate Training-Roberts Rules of Order
- Certificate Training-Public Law 280 Jurisdiction in Indian Country

BACKGROUND

- **Family:** Husband Don Webster, Son's Marcus and Zack, daughter Olivia
- **Parents:** Lee Gordon and Betty McLester
- **Grandparents:** Lee (deceased) and Pearl McLester, Ted and Mamie Benson (deceased)

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Oneida Family Fitness

Fitness Members for the month of August 2006…



Lisa Hyde

Lisa has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness since the days it was at Norbert Hill Center. She initially began an exercise program so that she could become a healthier person. Her biggest obstacle to overcome was waking up early and exercising before she went to work. With continued encouragement from others and seeing results from her hard work, Lisa overcame this obstacle and continues to exercise on a regular basis today.

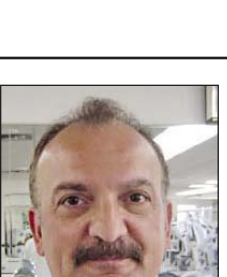
Lisa's current exercise program consists of cardiovascular exercise for 30-40 minutes, five days per week. She also lifts weights three days a week, works with a personal trainer once a week, performs abdominal exercises daily, and occasionally takes water exercise classes. This routine has helped her to lose clothing sizes and become more toned than before.

Lisa enjoys working out at Oneida Family Fitness because of the friendly staff. Besides exercise, Lisa works, reads books, watches movies, and spends time with friends and family.

Finally, Lisa's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Don't give up! Keep moving!"

Congratulations to Lisa for your hard work and dedication!

Keep up the good work!



Rudy Martirosyan

Rudy has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for about three years. He first began an exercise routine when he quit smoking, thus making for a healthier lifestyle. The biggest obstacle for Rudy to overcome was making time for himself so he would not miss a day of exercise.

Some accomplishments that Rudy has made over the past few years include being healthier, having more energy, and feeling better about himself. These accomplishments come from a regular weight training routine every week. Rudy also stays dedicated to exercise on a regular basis so he can be healthy, strong, and live a long life.

Rudy enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because the people there are nice. Besides exercise, he works, spends time with family, and goes fishing.

Finally, Rudy's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "All it takes is effort, and you'll see results!".

Congratulations to Rudy for your hard work and dedication!

Keep up the good work!

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Adam Brown

When you come to Oneida Family Fitness for a Tae Kwon Do class, chances are good that you're going to meet Adam Brown. He's been teaching the Korean martial art since 1989 and came to OFF in 2003.

Adam is originally from Escanaba, Michigan where he spent five years running a Tae Kwon Do program for the YMCA. He also managed a martial arts extension program in Bark River, Michigan. Throughout his teaching career, Adam has successfully trained students and brought them to various martial arts tournaments including Wautoma, Oshkosh, and the yearly Oneida Tae Kwon Do invitational.

Adam has fun in every class he teaches. His goal is to guide and travel along with the students on their journey to self improvement. He strives to be a positive role model and hopes every student learns something new every day.

When he's not teaching at OFF you can find Adam at home with his wife, Julia, and their four children. His hobbies include riding motorcycles, reading, and collecting firewood.

The next time you are at the fitness center, say hello to Adam and remember that he looks forward to meeting you and helping you to attain your wellness and martial arts goals.



Photo by Oneida Family Fitness

Adam brown helps student, Brickman House, perfect his kicks at Oneida Family Fitness

Oneida Family Fitness unveils Intranet page

Submitted by Adam Brown

Wondering when the next Pilates class is? Curious about membership rates?

Now there's a convenient place to get all your Fitness information right on your computer, and it's easy, too!

Simply log onto the Oneida Intranet and go to "Governmental Services", then "Recreation" to get to the all new Oneida Family Fitness Intranet page. Here you'll find descriptions of all the classes, plus pool, martial arts, and group exercise schedules. You'll get to explore all the specialty programs and services we offer and even read about the fitness staff.

Our "What's Happening" page will keep you up to date on all of our latest programs and events.

So log on and check it out often, you'll be glad you did!

Oneida Active for Life Choose To Move

Submitted by: Lori Bembnister
Team Captain Coordinator

Are you looking for a way to become more active? Join us for our 5th Oneida Active for Life program. The program starts Sept 25 - Nov 17. During these 8 weeks, we will be traveling to different locations along the Oneida Reservation. Participants will have the opportunity to record their minutes of activity or use pedometers to track their daily steps. This is a great opportunity for you and your coworkers to become more active together. Participants will also have the opportunity to win raffle prizes for meeting their weekly point goal or step goal along with your destination. Join us today!

Interested in being a team captain for your department? Contact Lori Bembnister at **490-3730** or **lbembnis@oneidanation.org.**

Prepare for Annual Shut-down

Oneida Family Fitness will be closed from Monday, August 21 through Tuesday, September 5, 2006 in order to address facility repairs, maintenance, renovations, staff training and facility programming.

OFF members are welcome to visit Bellin Health and Fitness or the CP Center for their workout needs. Be sure to bring your membership card.

Visit the OFF Oneida Intranet "What's Happening" page for more details.

We look forward to seeing everyone back on September 5 as we gear up for the new Fall programming schedule.

New fall program for Martial Arts

By Adam Brown
Martial Arts Instructor

"Teachers open the door, but you must enter by yourself" ~ Chinese Proverb

Martial arts training can lead to many good things: physical fitness, self defense capabilities, self discipline, and better mental focus.

Oneida Martial Arts has been offering the path to self improvement for many years, and we are now gearing up for our new Fall 2006 programming.

If you or your child has ever thought of trying the martial arts, this the perfect time to start. Starting Monday, September 11 is our "Beginner Tae Kwon Do" class. This is an eight week program that teaches you all the basic skills so that you may enter our regular intermediate classes. "Beginner Tae Kwon Do" meets every Monday from 5 until 6pm at Oneida Family Fitness, and is designed for students age 6 and up.

If you child is between the ages of 4 and 6, "Mighty Ninjas" is the way to go. Your child will learn the basic age appropriate Tae Kwon Do skills in a fun filled, exciting atmosphere. We offer two different Mighty Ninja programs, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Either class meets every week from 5pm until 5:30pm at Oneida Family Fitness and the sessions are eight weeks long. The new sessions start September 19 and September 21. Sign up early before all the spots are gone.

On top of Tae Kwon Do and Mighty Ninjas, we also offer Eskrima, Jujitsu, and Fitness Kickboxing. If you would like to learn more about the many benefits of martial arts, stop in to Oneida Family Fitness, call **490-3730,** or email **familyfitness@oneidanation.org today!**

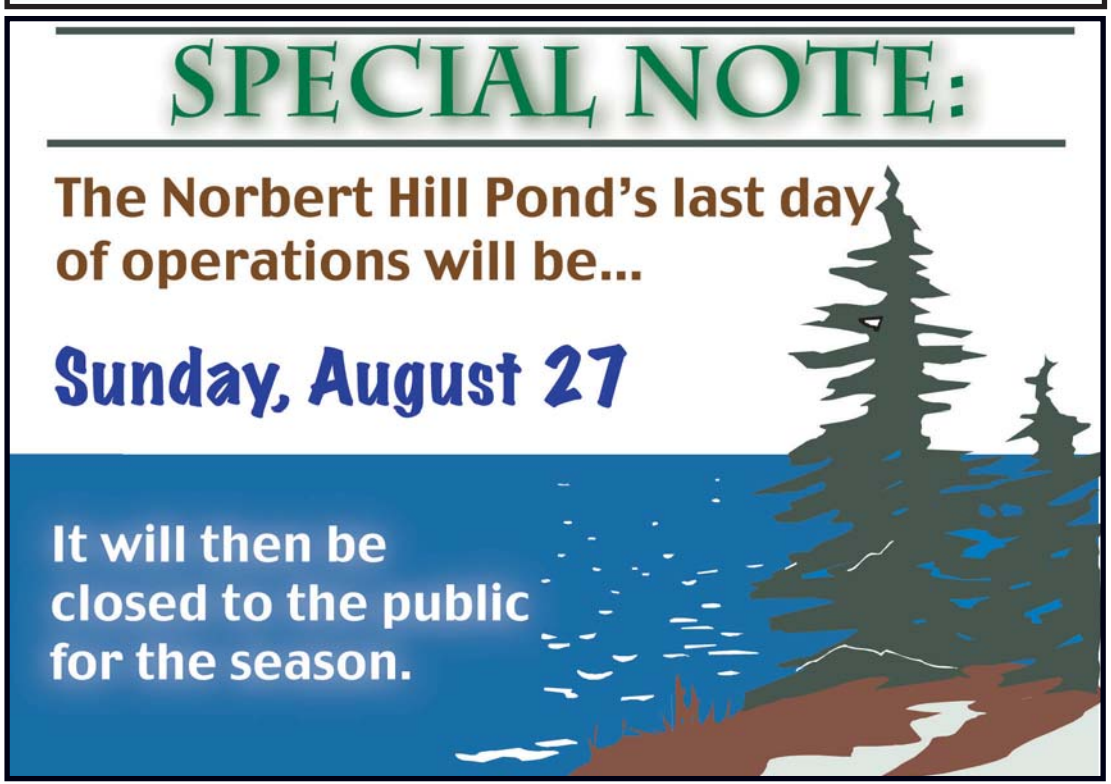
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Teresa Roth	*Lifeguard*

The **O**neida **F**amily **F**itness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at: 2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI Phone: (920) 490-3730. Look for ***o.f.f. highlights*** once a month in the Kali.







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Safavian asks judge to overturn conviction in Abramoff case

WASHINGTON (AP) ~ A former Bush administration official convicted of lying about his relationship with lobbyist Jack Abramoff asked a judge Thursday to overturn the verdict or grant him a new trial.

David Safavian, former chief of staff of the General Services Administration, was convicted in June of making false statements and obstruction. His attorneys argued Thursday that the charges didn't meet the legal standard for conviction.

They also argued that U.S. District Judge Paul Friedman

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Candidates tie for Land Commission position



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Chairman of the Election Committee Raquel Hill unlocks the black ballot box from the August 26th election. The ballots were recounted by hand Wednesday Night, August 30th due to a tie between Carolyn Miller and Lisa Summers for Land Commission.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The results are in for the 2006 Special Election held Saturday, August 26th, but a few of the results are still up in the air as of press time.

With seven positions open for the Land Commission, Lisa (Oudenhoven) Summers and Carolyn Miller (Skenandore) were tied with 143 votes each.

One of the candidates has requested a hand count which was held Wednesday night, August 30th. The results were unavailable for this issue of the Kalihwisaks.

If the hand count results in another tie, the candidates could agree to a coin toss to decide the winner. If not, a run-off election would be held within 30 days.

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Special Election

Gardens: A growing pastime in Oneida





Kali photos/Cathy Delgado

Left: Lee Lopez, Agricultural Worker for Tsyunhehkwa maintains the Three Sisters Cultural Garden at Green Bay's Botanical Gardens. Corn, beans and squash are planted together as was done before modern agricultral practices. The corn stalks grow at least 13 feet tall. The beans climb the stalks and the squash vines help keep the weeds down to a minimum and keeps the earth cool.
Below: Lou Williams, Jr. shows off beans grown at Tsyunhehkwa.

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

There are an estimated 70 plus gardens that tribal members plant, grow and maintain over the growing season. There are at least 8 that are community-oriented gardens where community members volunteer or barterer and exchange labor for food. The gardens represent the membership and community by priding themselves in the beauty of their gardens and the abundance of produce and medicine they grow.

One of the commonalities that the community gardens have is using the traditional way to plant the Three Sisters, corn, beans, and squash. They plant corn, beans and squash together in a mound. As the corn grows the beans use the corn stalks to climb and the squash grows around the base of the corn and beans to help keep some of the weeds down. Lee Lopez, another worker for Tsyunhehkwa, is responsible for the garden project at the Botanical Gardens. He also planted Indian tobacco, which is growing quite plentiful. His corn at the Botanical gardens is at least 13 feet tall. Lopez said, "last year the squash grew across the whole path." The path runs along side of the garden and is at least twelve feet wide.

Tsyunhehkwa has their hands in many projects and are active in assisting families in getting started by plowing up their garden areas in the spring. Lou Williams, Jr. Outreach Worker for Tsyunhehkwa is responsible for the community-oriented gardens. Tsyunhehkwa currently has three community gardens. One located on Hwy 54, one at Tsyunhehkwa's farm, and one at the Botanical Gardens. Two of these gardens have the Three Sisters planted together in the traditional way. The food raised by Tsyunhehkwa gets sold at the Oneida Farmer's Market held every Tuesday across from the Post Office on Hwy 54, it is also donated to different community events such as the On^stase Feast and Open House which takes place on September 2, at 139 Riverdale Drive (County J) Tsyunhehkwa farm from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is a free event and the public is welcome.

The Farmer's market is organized and run by

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Let it Grow

House to return home; named new Chief Counsel

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

Joanne House will be starting as the Chief Counsel for the Oneida Nation on October 16th, 2006. Her office will be located on the second floor of the Norbert Hill Center in the Law Office.

Q. What kind of experience do you have coming into the new position?

A. I worked for eight years for the Oneida Tribe as legislative counsel. I was Senior Staff Attorney, I've been Chief Counsel with the Little River Band of Ottawa in Manistique Michigan for about 2 or three years now.

Q. Are there certain projects that the tribe wants you to work on or address when you come into the position.

A. I'm anticipating during the first couple of weeks of getting on we'll figure out where we're sitting and what the next steps are.

Q. What kind of background in schooling do you have?

A. Bachelors in Science through Peace and Clear Lake in Paralegal training. Doctorate of Law through the University of Wisconsin and currently obtaining my Masters in Public Administration from Walden University.

Q. Did you have to take the bar exam in Wisconsin.

A. I have managed to get good grades while in law school and was admitted based on the degree in the Wisconsin program so I didn't have to take the bar exam. I'm also admitted in the state of Michigan, they accepted

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House

Sculpture Symposium

By Steven J Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The fourth annual **Lahnetahá·wi** International Sculpture Symposium was held this past week from August 21 through August 25. The symposium is designed to beautify the community by creating public pieces of art designed by international sculptures and incorporating their native cultural differences in to the art.

According to Jeff Metoxen, one of the symposiums coordinators, "We actually began in 2002 primarily because of my brother, Ken Metoxen, who's Oneida name is **Lahnetahá·wi**. He has been sculpting around the world at different symposiums for over ten years."

The artistic theme for this year's symposium is Earth.

"We followed the theme of the four elements. Started out with water then we had wind and fire and this is the fourth event we had so this is earth," Metoxen said.

This years artists include Randy Sarasin (stone) and Jennifer Stevens (wood and pottery).

"We did have a couple artists that weren't able to make it, that represented artists from across the seas, from France and Italy. We weren't able to get things taken care of in time but we still wanted to hold [a symposium] this year. So we were able to contact artists in the area," Metoxen said.

Metoxen went on to explain that his brother

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Symposium



Kali photo/Steven J Gandy

Sculptor, Randy Sarasin, uses and pneumatic chisel to create his work. Sarasin has been sculpting stone since his retirement seven years ago.

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is the main force behind the event. "[Ken] has been sculpting around the world at different symposiums for over ten years. He always wanted to have one here in the states, in the area."

It was through Ken Metoxen's connections with international artists that this local symposium was able to get off the ground.

Jeff Metoxen notes of his brother, "We started inviting artists that [Ken] had been with before. We had artists from Estonia, Bulgaria, Germany, Poland and usually [Ken] would also sculpt."

The Sculpture Symposium relies heavily on donations.

"This a non profit entity. There is no way we could survive without help from the Oneida Tribe, the Oneida Nation Arts Board, Department of Public Works, Conservation Department, Utilities. We work with all of them is some way, some fashion," Jeff Metoxen said.

The annual event may soon be a bi-annual event.

"This year is the fourth year and one thing we learned is to probably hold it every other year," Jeff Metoxen said.



Kali Photo/Steven J Gandy

Sculptor, Jennifer Stevens worked with wood as her medium for this years symposium

The collection of pieces that have accumulated over the years has been growing and are available for viewing on the grounds near Cultural and Heritage.

From Page 1A/*Special Election*

Former Oneida Business Committee Secretary Julie Barton successfully won a seat on the Appeals Commission and on the Gamming Commission. However, the bylaws for the Appeals Commission state that members cannot serve on both boards.

Should Barton choose one commission over the other, it would be up to the rejected commission to decide how to fill the vacancy.

"It's up to the entity, up to the board, committee or commission, whether if they want to take the next highest vote getter, or if they would choose to do something else." said Oneida Election Committee Chairperson Racquel Hill.

The series of unusual results has highlighted the importance of updating the election law for Hill.

"There's a lot of things that have occurred over in time. There's an increase in participation, increases in the amount of vacancies, boards, committees, commissions that are doing elections," said Hill. "We're beginning to learn the process and finding out that some of the things aren't addressed in the law."

There were 435 votes cast in Saturday's election. The results are as follows:

Appeals Commission

(4) Four positions

Julie Barton–206
Jennifer Webster–204
Anita Barber–179
Janice Skenandore-McLester–176

Land Commission

(7) Seven Positions

Ron Hill Jr. "Tehassi"–217
Amelia Cornelius–200
Arlene Danforth–185
Patricia A. Cornelius–172
Corinna Charles–159
Judy Cornelius–155
Carolyn Miller (Skenandore)–143 (•)
Lisa (Oudenhoven) Summers–143 (•)

Trust Committee

(3) Three Positions

Loretta V. Metoxen–196
Carole Liggins– 174
Arlene Danforth–134

Gaming Commission

(1) One Position

Julie Barton–157

Oneida Nation Commission on Gaing (ONCOA)

(3) Three Positions

Vera D. Wilson–208
Dellora R. Cornelius–203
Warren Skenadore–151

Land Claims Commission

(2) Two Positions

Loretta V. Metoxen–262
Wendell W. McLester–147

Oneida School Board Parent Position

(2) Two Positions

Ron Hill Jr. "Tehassi"–329
Stacey Nieto–270

Oneida School Board At Large Position

(2) Two Positions

Linda Mercier–309
James "Jim" Martin–289

Referendum Question

I approve the development of a Plan to Separate the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee.

Yes – 281 No – 104

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my years of experience rather than the bar exam.

Q. Are there any kinds of things that will be rewarding in or interesting that you would like to focus on in your new position.

A. I haven't an idea about that yet. I'm lucky that working with Indian tribes are interesting in everything and challenging mostly that come up. Most of the things will be new from my perspective having been gone for the last six years.

Q. Do you plan on living in the area.

A. I will move back a week before I start my employment. I have a house on the reservation that I was fortunate to get as a dream home.

Q. Who is your direct supervisor?

A. Chief of Staff, Bill Gollnick and the Business Committee.

Q. What is some of the challenging work you've done from your past employment and what you can bring to the position as a result of this experience.

A. I focused a great deal on legislative drafting and I think that over the years every single one of them have had its challenging aspects trying to meet the needs of the Tribe, Business Committee, the membership, the programs.

Q. Are you aware of some of the legislation that goes on between the surrounding governments like the town of Lawrence, Ashwaubenon, Town of Hobart,etc. Do you have relationships with those communities because of your past experience here?

A. In my past employment I was mostly working internally. I look forward to getting into those external relationships, government to government relationships, the business committee would direct and ensure that there is staff in our legal department that understands those that if need be can bring me up to speed quickly. Certainly I would rely on those staff members already there.

I'm excited to come back home and I learned a lot working for the Little River Band.



House

Kalihwisaks intern bids farewell

by Julia L. Skenandore
Kalihwisaks Intern

As the summer comes to an end it is time for me to say my farewell to the Kalihwisaks. It has been a pleasure and a very great experience to work with such wonderful people at the Kali. Although I am a graphic design major I have learned a lot from this experience. I mostly took part in designing the display ads, which is beneficial to my major and also helps me build up my design portfolio a little more. I was also able to show my photography skills in some of the issues, although I did not write too many stories, because when it comes to interviewing people I can get a little shy.

One thing that I found very interesting is to see how a newspaper is run and how much time is actually put into making this paper a success for every issue. I have never worked for a newspaper before and really had no idea how particular and perfect the text needs to be and the way it has to be lined up. All the late nights spent putting the newspaper together is always worth it when the end product is in your hands.

I am very thankful to be part of Oneida's internship program this year. The internship program was expanded to 55 students this year. I think I can speak for all of the interns to say that it is very appreciated to be given a chance to gain experience in the field that you are going into. This gives tribal students an advantage at finding a job after graduation and even to come back and work for the tribe with more knowledge and understanding in your field of study.

The end of August is near and time for me to finish my last semester at Marian College of Fond du Lac, as I will be graduating with a major in Graphic Design and a minor in Business Administration at the end of December. I would love to have this experience again to help out the Kalihwisaks when I am finished with school as I think the Tribe has so many great opportunities to offer. I also am planning to go back to school for Fashion Marketing and Merchandising so I am able to reach my goal and work for a fashion magazine or fashion company.



Skenandore

FY2007 Budget Community Meeting

Tuesday, September 12th, 2006 at 6 PM
Oneida Police Department Conference Room
2783 Freedom Road • Oneida, WI 54155

The General Tribal Council Meeting for the FY2007 Budget is scheduled for Saturday, September 16th at 10 AM at the Turtle School gymnasium.

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Kalihwisaks is a member of NAJA (Native American Journalists Association) & WNA (Wisconsin Newspaper Association)

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Local

Passing On

Westgor, Robert R.
September 24, 1946 – August 20, 2006

Robert R. Westgor, age 59, of Bonduel, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, Aug. 20, 2006, in New London. Robert was born Sept. 24, 1946, in Shawano, the son of the late Russell and Alice (Moderson) Westgor. Robert lived his entire life in the Navarino area and graduated from Bonduel High School in 1964. From 1966 to 1968 he served with the United States Army during the Vietnam War. On Sept. 28, 1968, he was united in marriage to Marlene Fischer at the White Clay Lake Lutheran Church. For 26 years Robert managed a dairy farm and was presently employed with Town & Country Elect of Appleton. He was a member of Ascension Lutheran Church, the Navarino-Lessor Fire Department, the Bonduel VFW and the Westgor Hilltop Hunting Club. Robert enjoyed deer hunting. Family and numerous friends will cherish all the memorable moments in "Bob's Garage." Robert is survived by: his wife, Marlene; his daughter, Jennifer (Jared)Westgor of Bonduel; his son, Jason (Mary Beth) Westgor of Cedar Lake, Ind.; two grandsons, Killian, Kaleb; two sisters, Sig (Leo) Bahr of Cecil, Beverly Larson of Iowa; his mother-in-law, Helen Fischer of Shawano; three sisters-in-law, Jolene Fischer (Brad) of Green Bay, Sandy (Jim) Lotto of Florida, Geri Westgor of Menasha; one brother-in-law, Steve (Marie) Fischer of Cecil; his special pals, Morton and Maggie; and many beloved nieces, nephews, special friends, and neighbors. Robert was preceded in death by: parents; one brother, Ronald Westgor; his father-in-law, Marvin Fischer; and one brother-in-law, Rodger Larson.

A Memorial Service was held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 23, at the Swedberg-Wendt Funeral Home in Bonduel. Military Rites were conducted by the Bonduel VFW Post #10622 and the Bonduel American Legion Post #217 following the service. Cremation was at the Lone Pine Crematory in Bonduel with a private burial to follow. In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, a memorial fund has been established.

You don't stop laughing because you grow old--You grow old because you stop laughing!!

Smith, Judith
September 12, 1942 – August 21, 2006



Judith Smith, 63, Kaukauna, died unexpectedly on Monday Aug. 21, 2006. The daughter of Malphais and Verila (Silas) Smith was born Sept. 12, 1942, in Green Bay. She loved traveling and was the First Lady of the D.C. Eagles Motorcycle Club. She worked for the Oneida Nation at Anna John Nursing Home as a CNA. Judy was a loving Mom and wonderful grandmother and great-grandmother.

She was preceded in death by husband, "D.C. Danny" LeDesma. Survivors include two daughters, Denise LeDesma Freeman (Timbo) and Donna LeDesma Abbs (Brion); grandchildren, William McKinney, Jr. (Monica), Amanda Freeman-Melchert (Calvin), Delilah McKinney (Mike), Timmy Jay Freeman (Beth), Danny McKinney; great-grandchildren, Justin Serrences, Sable McKinney, Niecie Melchert, Brolly TJ Freeman, Siomara Padilla, Hezekiah Wyatt, Gabrielle McKinney. Also survived by her brothers and sisters, Elizabeth and John Dennison, Sharlene Kasee, Rose and Harvey Thompson, Valarie and Jerry LaPlant, Selma Smith, Verda and Kim House, Cecil and Manetta Smith, Malphais, Jr., and Ginny Smith, Michael and Christine Smith, David Smith, and Earl Smith and many neices and nephews..

In addition to her husband, she was also preceded in death by her children, Doreen Ann LeDesma and Ronald Adams Jr.; her sister, Joanlee Smith; three brothers, Melvin Smith, Jerry Silas, and Terry Smith; her parents; as well as her grandparents, Malphais and Verila Smith, Dewey and Gertrude Silas and Joan Smith.

Funeral services were celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, August 26, 2006 at Ryan Funeral Home and Crematory with Father Dewey Silas and Rev. Walter Reed, officiating. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Smith family.

The family extends a special thank you to Fresenius Dialysis Service of Kaukauna for their care and support.

Johnson, Steven "Bull" Lee
April 4, 1974 – August 17, 2006

Steven "Bull" Lee Johnson, 32, went to his heavenly home on Thursday, Aug. 17, 2006, in Sarasota, Fla. He was born April 4, 1974, in Green Bay, the son of Steven and Emily (Cornelius) Johnson. Steve attended Seymour Community High School. He enjoyed working on cars, as a mechanic; stock car racing, hunting and fishing.

He is survived by one son, Steven Jr.; his parents, Steven and Emily Johnson; three brothers, Joe (Dawn) Johnson, Kevin (Julie) Johnson, and Kurt Johnson, all of Oneida; his special friend, Bonnie Kimball; his nieces and nephews, Jamie, Roxy, Becky, Trevor, Travis, and Sheldon; also, his aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his paternal and maternal grandparents, Claude and Angeline Johnson, Joe and Alice Cornelius.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2006, at the Woodland Worship Center, 760 Airport Drive, Oneida. Reverend Lonnie Johnson officiated with burial in Holy Apostles Episcopal Cemetery, Oneida.

Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, 358 S. Main St., Seymour, assisted the family with arrangements.

"Bull," you were everybody's big "Teddy Bear." You will never be forgotten and your memory will be in our hearts forever.

Skenandore, Gloria E.
August 12, 1925 – August 24, 2006

Gloria E. Skenandore, 81, passed away at the Good Shepard Nursing Home, Seymour, on Thursday morning, August 24, 2006 to join her husband, Leroy. She was born August 12, 1925, the daughter of the late William and Elizabeth (Peterson) Cornelius.

She is survived by one sister-in-law, Vera Wilson, Oneida, and her nieces and nephews.

Services were held at Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, 358 S. Main St., Seymour, on Monday, August 28th, at 11:00 am.

In Loving Memory…



My Son is gone.

Disturbed in bed again I wake
The truth is close at hand
In tears my head begins to shake
It's hard to understand

I'd turned to call out my sons name
But then I had to weep
The pillow there was just the same
As when I went to sleep

I'd sought my son to touch his face
My hand began to slide
But then oh God the aching pain
The emptiness inside

Another day just like before
So empty cold and bare
I raised my eyes towards the door
Where last my son was there

How sad each time I'd cook a meal
Then we would eat it on our own
Oh God You know just how I feel
To sit here all alone

Oh why my God had we to part?
How deep is my despair
Please heal Your servant's broken heart
Whilst here I kneel in prayer

Yet still I bless Your holy name
Although my son's at rest
I know my God You're not to blame
For You alone know best

I know my prayer has reached Your throne
I know You watch above
I know in You I'm not alone
I thank You for Your love.

– M. Peterson Johnson. 2001

(It's been a whole year since we saw your smiling face and we miss you and love you so much.)
We know you are around us every day.

Love, Mom, Dad, Louis, and all your Aunts, Uncles, nieces and nephews and many friends...

In Loving Memory of...

Ken



Powless

Who passed away 5 years ago

~ August 28, 2001 ~

When an angel

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improperly admitted into evidence e-mails between Abramoff and Safavian. The e-mails discuss two pieces of GSA-controlled property that Abramoff wanted for himself or his lobbying clients.

Prosecutors said Abramoff wanted to buy or lease part of the GSA's White Oak property in the Maryland suburbs for use by a Jewish school he had established. They also said he wanted to give an Indian tribe client a leg up on obtaining the contract to redevelop the Old Post Office in Washington as a luxury hotel, near two restaurants Abramoff owned.

Many of the e-mails were written around the time that Safavian accepted a weeklong trans-Atlantic golfing trip from Abramoff.

Friedman heard more than two hours of arguments Wednesday but did not issue an opinion.

Defense attorney Albert Lambert maintained that when Safavian told GSA officials that Abramoff didn't have business with the agency, he wasn't lying because the wording was ambiguous. He said Safavian was never advised of the consequences of lying and said his statements didn't hinder any investigations.

"They argue that it's acceptable for a public servant to willfully speak half truths with the intent to deceive," prosecutor Nathaniel Edmonds said. "That's what they're arguing and it should not be the law."

Friedman said he believes allowing jurors to see the e-mails was appropriate, though he acknowledged it was a close call.

"I'm not sure there's anything you said in your briefs or in here that persuades me that I was wrong," he said.

Safavian faces up to five years in prison on each count.

Attention

Elders age 55 and older.

2007–2008
Tribal Aging Unit Plan
for Older People

Date: September 22
Time: 9–10 AM
Where:
Oneida Senior Center
134 Riverdale Dr
Oneida WI
54415

Your input is welcome

Dorís…



On September 4, 2006 we would have celebrated your 77th birthday with you, but on October 5, 2005 the Lord took you home with him. We hold your fondest memories, our love for you and sadness in our hearts.

The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning, that God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone: For part of us went with you, the day God called you home. You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide: and though we cannot see you, you are always at our side. Our Family chain is broken,and nothing seems the same: but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.

~ Author unknown

Sadly missed by your husband David; your children; Wanda (Bob), Karen, Faye, Sherri (Clyde), Don, Bob (Jay), Cara, Lorleen (Jim), Rosa, your 34 Grandchildren & your 28 Great Grandchildren.

Local

Caretakers Corner

AIPRA: American Indian Probate Reform Act

New code in effect since June 2006

Submitted by Jennifer Gautreaux
Department of Land Management

Two of the Land Title & Trust staff attended AIPRA Training in Rapid City, South Dakota on July 25 and 26, 2006.

Understanding the American Indian Probate Reform Act Presented by Indian Land Tenure Foundation's - Institute for Indian Estate Planning and Probate at Seattle University School of Law. Twenty one speakers were listed in the eight section book for the two day event.

The discussion started with an overview of the history of American Indian Laws whereby Indians were allotted lands, Tribal Treaty lands were broken up and distributed to Individual Indians. Later, the Indians were given title but along with title came taxes. The Indians did not understand taxation and most often lost the land, due to back taxes. If an Indian kept his land and died; his heirship would be determined by state law. As a result the lands were distributed in "undivided" interest in the land creating Fractionated Land. In other words, no one person owned a piece of land. All of the heirs owned the land together. A single piece of land could have hundreds of owners, making it very difficult for any one of the owners to use the land. Majority of owners must agree to a particular use.

Key purpose of AIPRA is to establish a Uniform Federal Probate Code, that would replace the State Law in probating Indian Trust and assets. This code applies when there is no valid will or applicable tribal probate code exists.

The new code has been in effect since June 20, 2006, state probate law no longer applies.

Under AIPRA undivided interests under 5% without a will (subject to forced sale):

1. Surviving Spouse = Life Estate in trust or restricted parcel they reside on at time of decedent's death.
2. All other interests & spouse's remainder will transfer to a single eligible heir or the oldest surviving eligible child, grandchild or great grandchild.
3. If none, to the tribe with jurisdiction
4. If none, to other co-owners
5. If none, to Secretary for sale with proceeds to land acquisition account.

Interests 5% or greater without a valid will:

1. Surviving spouse in a life estate without regard to waste. The spouse will have the right to live on and the benefit from any income generated by the interests for their lifetime.
2. When the spouse dies, the interests will pass to the eligible children equally. If a child has died before you, their interest will transfer to their children, if any. Again equally, in undivided interest. If no eligible children or grandchildren survive, then to parents or siblings.
3. If none, the interest will transfer to the tribe with jurisdiction.
4. If none, then to other co-owners.
5. If none, then to the Secretary for sale with proceeds to land acquisition account.

To prevent a forced sale of your trust property at probate it is very important for an Individual Trust landowner to have a Will - which will allow you to choose who you want your trust property to go to.

FYI: The BIA will no longer prepare Wills.

Calendar

September 4–15

Plume Creations – Quilting Class (baby quilt)
WHEN: Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays starting September 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, & 15 2006
TIME: 6–8:00pm
PLACE: Parish Hall, 2937 Freedom Rd., Cty. EE
FMI, call Jodell Crawford at **(920) 217-1487.**

September 4

Green Corn Ceremony
WHEN: September 4, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Longhouse
Reformatory Rd., Oneida

September 8–10

20th Annual Indian Summer Festival
WHEN: Friday, Saturday & Sunday, September 8–10th
TIME: Varies
PLACE: Henry Maier Festival Park, Milwaukee
Please join us for an entertaining, fun and first hand experience with American Indian traditions and culture in a family friendly atmosphere. Food, live music and a pow wow.
For more information, go to: www.indiansummer.org

September 13

Contract Health Community Meeting
WHEN: September 13, 2006 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
PLACE: Main Conference Room – Oneida Health Center
Five topics will be covered during the after session including: CHS, Medical Benefits, Diabetes, American Cancer Society and SS Disability Insurance - appeals process.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there! FMI, please contact: Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department

ONEIDA TRIBAL HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

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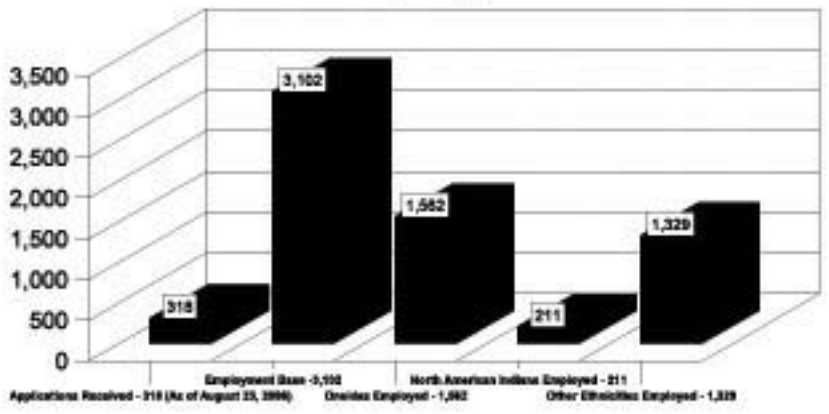
The H.R.D. website provides links to:
1. Divisions of Tribal Operations
2. Directions to the H.R.D. Building
3. Job Line contact information
4. Job Opportunities
5. Oneida Tribal Application - can be downloaded in Adobe format and/or Word Perfect

Human Resource Department Mission

To Provide quality service in all personnel operations with integrity, responsiveness and sensitivity to our customers.

August Statistics

Oneida Tribal Employment Statistics



Job Opportunities

The following positions are open to all applicants and posted until filled, therefore there are no closing dates.

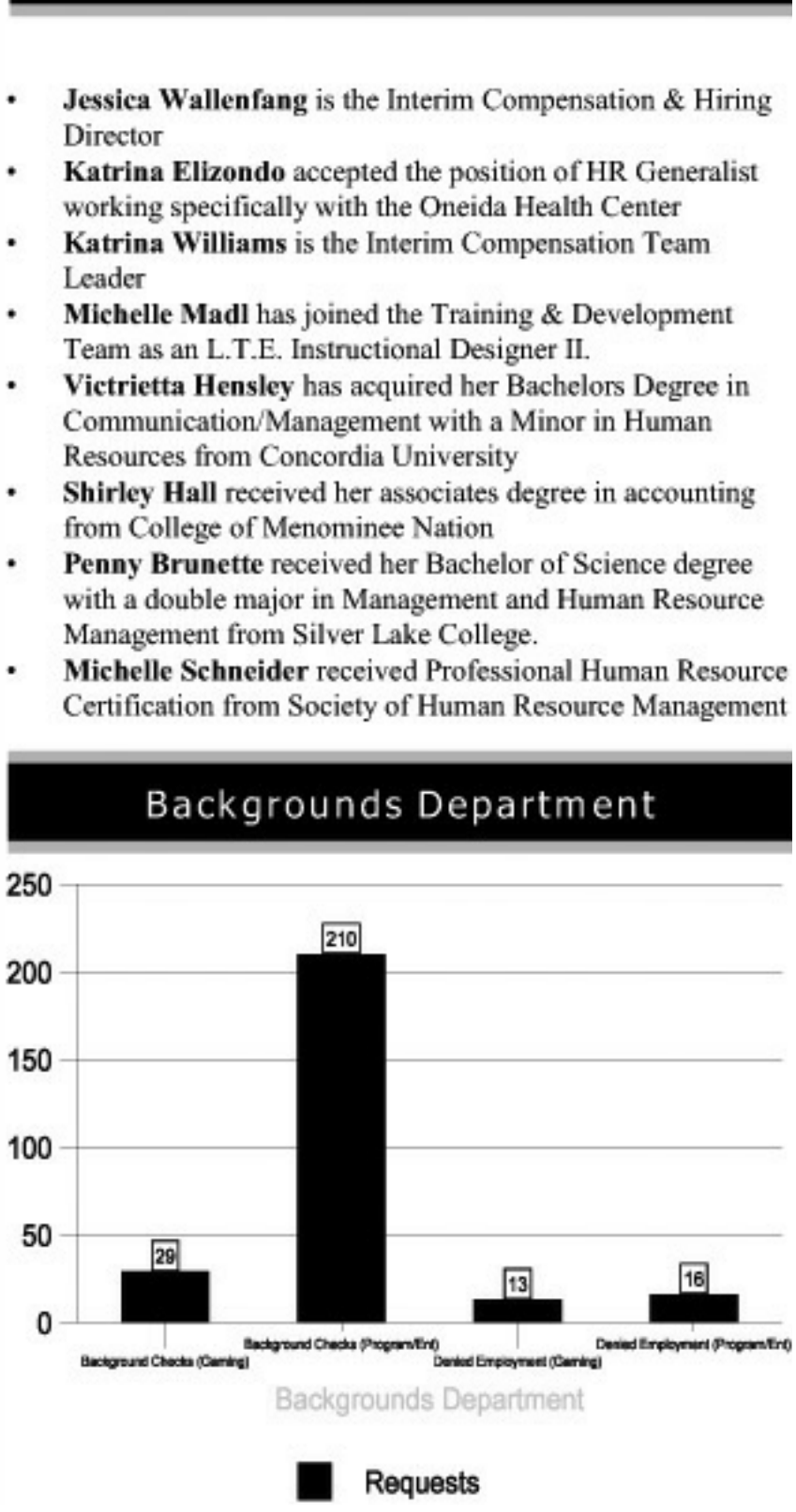
- Administrative Supervisor-Dental Department G-8 $38,313
- Employee Health & Safety RN-Employee Health Nursing G-10 $48,068
- Fitness Specialist-Oneida Family Fitness G-6 $30,555
- HVAC Technician Assistant-Gaming G-4 $23,733
- Prenatal Care Coordinator RN-Community Health Nursing G-10 $48,068
- Physical Therapist Assistant-Health Center G-7 $16.45
- Physical Therapist-Health Center G-19 Contract position
- Special Ed. Secondary Teacher-Oneida Nation School System
 G-19 Contract position

Please visit http://hrd.oneidanation.org/jobs/jobs.shtml to review detailed job descriptions.

Human Resource Department Staff Updates

- **Jessica Wallenfang** is the Interim Compensation & Hiring Director
- **Katrina Elizondo** accepted the position of HR Generalist working specifically with the Oneida Health Center
- **Katrina Williams** is the Interim Compensation Team Leader
- **Michelle Madl** has joined the Training & Development Team as an L.T.E. Instructional Designer II.
- **Victrietta Hensley** has acquired her Bachelors Degree in Communication/Management with a Minor in Human Resources from Concordia University
- **Shirley Hall** received her associates degree in accounting from College of Menominee Nation
- **Penny Brunette** received her Bachelor of Science degree with a double major in Management and Human Resource Management from Silver Lake College.
- **Michelle Schneider** received Professional Human Resource Certification from Society of Human Resource Management

Backgrounds Department



Business

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

White Eagle Sports Bar and Grill is now open for business

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The new White Eagle Sports Bar and Grill opened its doors to the public last week on Wednesday August 23rd. The bar, located on the corner of Hwy 54 and Service Rd, is the third bar to bear the name White Eagle.

"We inherited the name, we changed it to the White Eagle Sports Bar and Grill, because we wanted it the same, yet we wanted to be different. The old to the new," said new owner Tina Danforth.

Danforth and her Husband, Paul Danforth, spent several years deciding what to do with the property.

"For over five years my husband and I went back and forth about how we were going to develop this property. Everything from an arcade to a Laundromat and finally we just decided we should do the bar," explained Danforth.



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Tina Danforth and her Husband Paul recently (pictured)opened the new White Eagle Sports Bar and Grill located in Oneida at 2994 Service Road. The tavern is a smoke free environment until 10 pm.

Although the White Eagle is a tavern, Danforth explained that it's also much more than that. "It's not just a place to come and have a beer, it's also some place nice where they (customers) could come socialize. We wanted a place where someone could come visit when they come to Oneida." With business sense in mind, she added, "We wanted to do this to help build the economy of the reservation. We want to show other businesses in the community that this could be done."

Noting that her family, as well as White Eagle, have a tradition of involvement with sports, Danforth said they, "want to continue the tradition of sponsoring sporting teams and events. We want to be able to give something back to the community," she added.

Due to the limited kitchen and storage area, the lunch and dinner menu at White Eagle will be kept simple.

"We are going to have grilled food – hamburgers, cheeseburgers, brats, along with fry-bread, Indian Tacos, buffalo burgers," said Danforth. "We are (also) going to do as much corn soup and wild rice as we can," she added.

As she emphasized that community interest and family values were high on their priority list, Danforth said, "Paul and I are community members and we are family members and that will be the focus of what we do and how we do it. We want to keep the best interest of the community in anything that we do. We welcome community input. We want people to feel comfortable and safe while they are here."

The establishment is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. – close; and Saturday and Sunday from 10:30 a.m. – close. The grill will be open to serve food from 11:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. weekdays and from 10:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. on weekends.

Authentic or Counterfeit?

How to buy Genuine American Indian Arts and Crafts

Whether drawn to the beauty of turquoise and silver jewelry or the earth tone colors of Indian pottery, having some knowledge about American Indian arts and crafts can help consumers get the most for their money. The Indian Arts and Crafts Board, U.S. Department of the Interior, and the Federal Trade commission caution consumers that there are unscrupulous dealers who sell imitations, trying to pass them off as authentic and made by an American Indian artist. The IACB and FTC will be offering a brochure with tips to coincide with various American Indian and cultural events this summer, including the Santa Fe Indian Market in Santa Fe, New Mexico, August 19-20.

The Indian Arts and Crafts Act of 1990 makes it illegal to advertise or sell any art or craft in a way that falsely suggests it is produced by an American Indian or is the product of a particular American Indian tribe. All claims about the Indian origin and tribal affiliation for any product must be truthful.

Buy from an established dealer who will give you a written guarantee or written verification of authenticity.

Get a receipt that includes all the vital information about the value of your purchase, including any verbal representations. For example, if the salesperson told you that the piece of jewelry you're buying is sterling silver and natural turquoise and was handmade by an American Indian artisan, insist that this information appear on your receipt.

Before buying Indian arts and crafts at powwows, annual fairs, juried competitions, and other events, check the event requirements for information about the authenticity of the products being offered for sale. Many events list their requirements in newspaper ads, promotional flyers, and printed programs. If the event organizers make no statement about the authenticity of Indian arts and crafts being offered for sale, get written verification of authenticity for any item you purchase that claims to be authentic.

Copies of the Indian Arts and Crafts Act and related regulations are available from the IACB's web site at **www.iacb.doi.gov.** The IACB was created by Congress to promote the economic development of American Indians and Alaska Natives through the expansion of the Indian arts and crafts market. A top priority of the IACB is the implementation and enforcement of the Indian Arts and Crafts Act of 1990. The Indian Arts and Crafts Board is the only federal agency that is consistently and exclusively concerned with the economic benefits of Native American cultural development.

More information about the FTC and its consumer protection programs can be found at **http://www.ftc.gov** and also from the FTC's Consumer Response Center, Room 130, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

Special Thanks

Corina Williams would like to express her appreciation and gratitude to the community for their support and prayers during a time of family crisis. She would like to especially thank all the tribal employees who generously donated their vacation and personal hours so that she could spend much needed time with family. Please continue to keep her and her family in your thoughts and prayers as the healing process is ongoing. May the Creator continue to bless all of you for your acts of kindness and compassion.

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Thousands of Families in Indian Country have achieved the dream of owning a home. The section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program has made that possible.

Homeownership in Indian Country

In 1992, Congress established the Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program. The program was designed to offer homeownership and housing rehabilitation opportunities for eligible Native American individuals, families, tribes, and Tribally Designated Housing Entities. (including Indian Housing Authorities) on their native lands and within an approved Indian area as defined in HUD P.I.H. Notice 2004-19.



Section 184 Program Highlights

- More than 1400 Loans creating more than $143 million in mortgage financing.
- Nationwide program on Tribal trust land, allotted trust, or fee simple land in an Indian operating area – state of Wisconsin.
- Refinancing available
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- Low down payment
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- Assumable
- Secondary market potential
- 100% guarantee to lender

How does Section 184 Work?

HUD guarantees the mortgage loan made to eligible borrowers. The loan guarantee assures Bay Bank, the only participating lender in the Green Bay area, that its investment will be repaid in the event of a foreclosure. The borrower pays 1% loan guarantee fee at closing, which may be financed in the mortgage or paid in cash. The borrower applies for the loan with Bay Bank and works with the tribe and the BIA if leasing tribal land. Bay Bank will then evaluate the necessary loan documentation and submit the loan for approval to the Office of Loan Guarantees (located in Denver, Colorado) for underwriting and a formal commitment, unless the lender is an approved direct guarantee lender.

Who is Eligible for a Section 184 Loan?

- Any Native American or Alaska Native that is a member of a federally recognized tribe or an Alaskan village.
- An Indian Tribe
- A Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE)
- An Indian Housing Authority (IHA)

Bay Bank
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1 (920) 490-7600
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Oneida
DEMOLITION DERBY
Saturday, September 9, 2006
Town of Oneida Vol. Fire Department
N6611 Hwy H • Oneida, WI 54155
Directions: 10 miles west of Green Bay on Hwy 54 or 2 miles east of Hwy 55, then 2 miles south on Hwy H.
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Saturday: 9AM–12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

Milwaukee Indian Education Committee holds first annual back to school Community Fair

By Carmen Flores
Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS)

Wow! Over 700+ American Indian children served. The Milwaukee Indian Education Committee held it's first annual school supplies distribution program from 10:00am – 7:00pm on August 16, 2006. This one of a kind event was held at the Indian Community School of Milwaukee (ICS) where free school supplies were distributed on a first come-first serve basis to Milwaukee area American Indian families. Local American Indian agencies displayed information on community services, resources and events, along with music, snacks, and even free hair cuts. This program was offered to American Indian families having children enrolled in the Milwaukee Public School system, ICS and other private and parochial schools.

SEOTS was one of the American Indian organizations donating school supplies used at the giveaway. Among the many Oneida families with children in tow, there were several volunteer Oneida tribal members helping out at this event. It is estimated that there are approximately 1,500 American Indian students attending public, private and parochial schools in the area.



Photo courtesy of SEOTS

Doxtator Family – Anoki, Alana, Vanessa, Isiah and Adrianna an Oneida family receives school book bags filled with paper, pencils, pens, crayons and other necessary items for school.

Oneida member, Lewandowski, is recipient of 'Teacher of the Year' award



Carol Lewandowski

By Deb Ushakow
Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS)

Oneida tribal member Carol Lewandowski a teacher for the Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS) received an award for "Teacher of the Year 2006" at Trowbridge Elementary School. Carol says "I love teaching the children and seeing them learn." The Trowbridge Elementary principal nominated Carol for her outstanding work and professionalism. She has been employed with the MPS system for over 25 years. She is thankful to the Oneida Nation for helping her complete her Bachelors degree at the University of Milwaukee and her Masters degree in Boston, at Cambridge College. Part of Carol's journey with the MPS has put her in some of the toughest schools in Milwaukee, but Carol's gift of determination, patience and eagerness to see children succeed, helped her to overcome these obstacles. We applaud Carol for her outstanding achievements as a recipient of this award. Teachers like Carol are really "SPECIAL". Carol is the daughter of Catherine (Silas) and Sylvester Lewandowski and maternal grandparents are Dewey, Sr. and Gertrude Silas.

SEOTS Internal Audit update

Submitted by Lloyd E. Powless, Jr.
Assistant General Manager

Internal Audit

* A strategic plan and operational plan were to be developed by May 2006.
* Process for tracking of customers to be developed by mid June 2006.
* The SEOTS Board submitted revised by-laws to OBC.
* HR policies and procedures, updating/revising job descriptions and aligning all will be addressed.
* The Mission Statement, which drives how the program will operate, will be addressed.

SEOTS Study 2006 Final Report

The St. Norbert College Survey Center conducted the SEOTS Study. The goal of the study was to gather information from Oneida Tribal residents of the six counties of the Milwaukee area regarding their views on various social, cultural, health, economic, educational, and Oneida program related issues. 909 surveys were sent out and 255 were completed. With 255 completions St. Norbert College Survey Center can be 95% confident that the survey results mirror those of the adult Tribal population of the catchment area.

* Respondents were satisfied with current banking services.
* Except for students, the great majority were pleased with their access to Oneida products.
* Overall, Oneida Tribal members consider very informed about Oneida Government decisions and favor using the Kalihwisaks as their main source of information.
* Less than half of the survey participants are aware of SEOTS services and activities and barely one-quarter attend SEOTS sponsored social gatherings.
* These are four of twenty - six Key Findings.
* The Study is being reviewed by the SEOTS Board.

New facility

Staff made a trip to Milwaukee and assessed two potential facilities. Paul Witek AIA - Senior Tribal Architect did submit a report on these two facilities. The first facility was a former furniture store which is basically one large open space with a full basement. It has limited parking. The second facility is a strip mall. It has ample parking and SEOTS could lease two or three units and have adequate space for current activities.

* $50,000 is in the FY07 budget for moving and lease adjustments.
* There are more alternatives which need to be assessed.
* OBC has requested a map to show where Tribal Members are and where new facility will be to make sure there is access by Tribal members.

My goal is to find a new facility and make the move within the next year. Based on budget impacts I would suggest a lease with option to buy agreement. Thank you for your consideration.

SEOTS Mission…
Our mission is to provide for the well-being of **On·yote?a·ka** *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

The **S**outheastern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS *News* once a month for a listing of events. The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

FY2007 Budget Community Meeting
Thursday, September 14th, 2006 at 6 PM
SEOTS Facility
2778 S. 35th Street • Milwaukee, WI 53215
***There is limited seating at this facility.**
If you plan on attending the Milwaukee Meeting, please call 414-384-7740
so we can plan for seating needs accordingly.
The General Tribal Council Meeting for the FY2007 Budget is scheduled for Saturday, September 16th at 10 AM at the Turtle School gymnasium.

Focus… Monthly Calendar

Special Events…

Husking Bee in Oneida
Date: Friday, September 29th,
Time: 7:00am van departure
RSVP: Reserve van seating for 10 people Call 384-7740

Its Your Choice Program for Teens
Date: Tuesdays, October 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
Time: 4 – 6:30pm at SEOTS

Craft Class
Date: Wednesdays, October 4, 11, 18, 25
Time: 6 – 8pm at SEOTS

Cultural Heritage with Randy Cornelius
Creation Story
Date: Thursday, October 12 from 6 – 8pm at SEOTS

Milwaukee Heart Walk
Date: Saturday, October 14 at 9:00am
Place: GE Healthcare, Milwaukee County Research Park 9900 Innovation Drive, Wauwatosa. Any questions call Deb at 384-7740.

Oneida Nation Reservation Tour with Kirby Metoxen
Date: Friday, October 20
Time: Van will leave SEOTS at 7AM and return by 6PM

Native Film Day
Date: Friday, October 27th
Time: 1:00pm at SEOTS
Film to be shown: Whale Rider A 4 star movie about family, tradition and culture within the Maori Tribe. Definitely worth seeing!

Diabetes Support Group
Date: Thursday, October 26
Time: 10:30 – 12:00 Lunch will be served.
Place: SEOTS Please RSVP by October 23, call: 384-7740

FYI…

Housing Authority
If you have any questions regarding housing in Oneida, please call: 1-800-236-2214, ask for the Housing Authority to speak with Lisa Vega or Julie Cornelius.

Sweat Lodge
Women's Sweat Lodge is held weekly by a community member. Call Dona at 383-7072.

Attention all Community Members…
Young tribal member in need of "kidney transplant".
Jessica is on the waiting list for a transplant. It's possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, please call Jessica's nurse, Nancy at (414) 385-2550. Express your interest in being tested as a match for Jessica, who is on the kidney transplant list. You may also call to inquire about the criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who knows, you may be a match. Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Information, contact #'s around the city
- 211 Impact–Simply call 211 for help with life/food/shelter/health/crisis intervention, etc.
- Pow Wow AA Group–All Welcome. Thursday's–8:00pm, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th
- Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 383-9526
- Domestic Violence–Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132/Ext.153 Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case Manager/Advocate and available to assist women or family members.
- Urban Circle of Voices–Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper: 643-5510, Vicky Rank.
- Interfaith Program for the Elderly–Meals on Monday and Friday at 11:30am 631 N. 19th St.–First Friday of the month at 5pm.

Special Notice: Language will begin to meet on Saturday in the month of November. Be sure to check your Kalihwisaks. Beginners Language will also begin in November at 9am

Regular Events…

Oneida Singers
Mondays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 6:30 p.m.
SEOTS. Contact: John House (414) 443-0301

Oneida Language Class
Mondays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 from 6 p.m–8p.m.

Veterans Walk-in with Rodney Pearsall, Benefits Specialist
Tuesday, October 3 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00pm
Veteran's contact for Color Guard: Leon House (414) 543-1622

Computer Lab
Open Daily for use (unless reserved for class)

MAIRN Meeting
Wednesday, October 25 from 12:00–2:00pm at the Ignace Indian Health Ctr. 1711 S. 11th St. The Gathering Place

SEOTS Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 10 & 24 at 6:00pm

Van Trip
Wednesday, October 18. Will depart SEOTS at 8am and return by 6:00pm

Med Pick-up
Wednesday, October 4, 11, 18 & 25
Medication MUST be called in on the Friday BEFORE the Wednesday Pick-up!

Legislative Review, Letters



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...

Sakoli,

Elections are just around the corner, with the Primary Election taking place on September 12, 2006. The race for the 8th Congressional District will determine who will represent us in Congress. The incumbent, Congressman Mark Green, has decided not to run for re-election because he plans to run for Governor instead. John Gard is the top Republican candidate to take over this position but Terri McCormack is trying real hard to come out ahead. On the Democratic side we have Nancy Nusbaum, Dr. Steve Kagen and Jamie Wall.

While I would really love to express my personal opinion on who I think will do the best job to represent the Oneida Tribe, our position has always been to remain neutral because we must work with whomever actually takes office. For that reason, the Tribe attempts to gather as much information from all the Candidates and their position on issues that directly impact us. We create opportunities for everyone to obtain this information to assist you in determining how to vote on election day. Watch for the notices on Forums with the Candidates that will be coming up soon.

Our greatest desire is to have all our Members vote in the upcoming elections. This is one of the best opportunities to have the Native American Voice heard. We have shown in past elections that we can make a difference. Lets make the statement again by voting and putting the right person in office. And if you want to know who I am supporting, just ask me.

For those of you who have observed some construction going on in the old Health Center parking lot on the corner of E and EE, they are building a mock up of what a living unit will look like in the proposed Assisted Living Project. The Committee making the decisions on the project felt they needed something more than blueprints to help them decide on the use of space. Progress is being made on this project and we hope to see construction begin in the next fiscal year.

The Budget for Fiscal Year 2007 is ready to present to the General Tribal Council on September 16. This meeting will take place at the Turtle School. Community Meetings will be held on September 12th in Oneida and September 14th in Milwaukee with locations and times to be determined. Mailouts will be sent as soon as the details have been worked out.

The Budgeting process began several months ago and I feel the Treasurer and Management are to be commended with the work they have done to bring to you a balanced budget in these trying times. Not only are they trying to predict the effects of the economy on our operations but they are also dealing with ongoing cuts from the Federal budget. The Committee has participated in several presentations as they progressed through this process. Some of us took advantage of the opportunity to sit in on the staff presentations. And the Treasurer gave us access on the computer to comparative budget reports. Now that it is finalized, the standard access will be available to the Membership who wish to review detail budgets by department. This is all to aid you for discussions at the Community Meetings and, most importantly, for making a decision on September 16th.

One of the greater challenges of this job is staying on top of all activities when duties take us off in many different directions. As many of you know, I am focused on health care issues on a State and National level. Nevertheless, I also must remain informed on what the Committee is dealing in all other areas. When I miss a meeting or presentation, I must then do a lot of extra reading, going over materials on my own and, when necessary, seeking the right people out to answer questions I may have. At times this can get to be overwhelming, but I can rely on my fellow Committee Members, their knowledge and expertise, to guide me to the best decision.

I hope the information we are sending you on the Budget and the access you will have, at the Treasurer's specified locations, will help you in deciding on the approval of the FY`07 Budget. Of primary importance, is moving into the new fiscal year without having to incur delays to any programs because of funding uncertainties.

Kathy Hughes
Oneida Vice–Chairwoman

Letters...

To General Tribal Council

Hello, my name is Thomas Espinosa, General Tribal Council Member. Although I am not an aboriginal tribal member, nor were all of my descendants, it is to my inclination, our economy, cultural heritage and sovereignty, should never be taken for granted.

I would like to begin my thesis, by commending all facets of government, within the infrastructure of the "Oneida nation of Wisconsin", and offer the best in all future endeavors to all!; not only the governmental infrastructure, but all members of this, "Great Oneida nation", not only locally, but nationwide.

It has long been an aspiration of mine to promote cohesiveness, while respecting individuality, for there are neither superiors nor inferiors, simply a nation striving to preserve a culture.

I have resided in the communities of Oneida and Green Bay since 1994. I currently reside in Green Bay.

I have been employed for nine years in gaming; of those six were as a Customer Service Host, three months as a Custodian, and the remainder as Cage Cashier. During my tenure, I've embarked upon numerous endeavors, some of which have been adverse, while others have been outstanding!

An example of the paramount of my tenure would be an event that transpired on September 22, 1999. On that day I acquired "Oneida's" coveted Customer Service Excellence Award. During a banquet in which was commenced in honor of other recipients as well, I stood before an audience and humbly stated, "I contribute this award to my fellow coworkers also, for this was a cohesive effort!"

However, adversity was also pervasive; it is to my inclination that bias should never permeate any aspect of the workplace, and prudence should always take precedence; such was not always the case, an issue that continues to preside. For example, if you have an employ who asserts a due diligence, yet makes mistakes, it just might be attributed also to poor supervisory management. I believe as a nation we can take the affirmative on these and other issues encompassing certain aspects of our infrastructure.

I am currently studying pre-law at Northeast Wisconsin Technical College in Green Bay, and have acquired a prominent grade point average. Subsequent to my studies, I will then be in pursuit of my Undergraduate in Political Science.

I have always considered it an honor to represent the people in any capacity. For I've been given the honor to have helped raise two wonderful boys, while offering hope and determination to their mother. What's more they have inspired me to strive for the best; for this I offer infinite gratitude. Ironically, this all coincides with how others are treated in my life.

In my 33 years I have always attempted to convey trust, empathy, compassion, and respect towards all. My credo has always been, "When I ascent to new plateaus in life, so to shall others."

Sincerely,
Thomas Espinosa,
prospective tribal advocate

Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Trish King

Sakoli:

Our new General Manager, Debbie Thundercloud, has now been on the job for three weeks. In that little bit of time, she has already filled a great void in the administration of our operations. We now have a full team to help us work at bettering our operations and improving our services to the people. The Balance Scorecard is the system that will guide us through the remainder of our term. Debbie brings considerable strength to this process with her recent experiences in her former position as Facilities Manager for Bellin Hospitals as well as her experience as the Tribal Chairwoman and various other positions within the tribal structure. I am pleased to welcome Debbie back to the Tribal organization.

The July Semi-annual GTC meeting did not gain a quorum. Therefore, all items were taken up by the Business Committee on August 16, 2006. Most of the items on this agenda were update reports and organizational reports which were approved by the Business Committee. Also on that agenda was a new business item of a petition calling for the designation of portions of reservation land as exclusive agriculture zoning. This issue was deferred to the General Manager for review and to provide a recommendation at the Business Committee Planning meeting of October 10, 2006. This is an open meeting which takes place at 2:00 p.m., so anyone interested is welcome to attend the meeting to stay apprised on the status of this request.

The Legislative Operating Committee will begin its second session on September 11, 2006. I am currently drafting legislation dealing with the development and regulation of commerce, fair labor standards, and taxation. I plan to introduce these drafts to the LOC during this session for consideration.

Vote, Vote, Vote. Its that time of year again, where we have to exercise our right and fulfill our responsibilities to vote. As in past years, the Business Committee supports the efforts of our Legislative Affairs Department to get information regarding the republican and democrat candidates running for the different offices into the hands of our community members and employees. With this information, they can make well informed decisions when they go to the polls.

As part of the educational effort, there are several events being held to allow you to meet and learn the viewpoints and beliefs of each candidate on the issues that impact everyone in our area. Legislative Affairs has put together a candidate forum on August 31 at the Radisson at 10:00 a.m. The Oneida Nation Commission on Aging is holding a candidate forum at the Radisson on September 26 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Oneida Means Business is sponsoring a candidate debate which will be held on October 23 at noon at the Radisson.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate all the candidates who were elected to Tribal boards, committees, and commissions this past Saturday. I would also like to thank those who participated in running for these seats. It is very encouraging to see our membership get involved on behalf of the community by vying for a seat on these boards, committees, and commissions.

Last month, a community project was undertaken to clean, paint and rearrange the Oneida VFW Post 7784.

Members of Post 7784 would like to extend special thanks to Councilman Ninham for initiating the project.

They would also like to thank Carole Liggins, Lisa Summers, Peril Huff, Cathy and Chris Bachhuber, Brandon Stevens, Lynn Franzmeier, Maurry Jones, Kathy Brunette, JoAnne and Susan House, and Brickman Metoxen. All of whom were involved with the project.

A big thanks is extended to the DPW, especially Al Danforth and his carpenter crew of Al King and Jamie Powless. Also, the Conservation Crew: Rod Hill, Lloyd Ninham and Scott King for trimming and thinning out our trees.

Oneida VFW Post 7784 really appreciates everyone for the time and effort put forth.

Site II & Three Sisters Community Meeting

The Oneida Housing Authority will be holding a community meeting for any questions or concerns that any tenants or community members may have regarding these programs. As of October 1, 2006, these programs will not exist as they have thus far. The Oneida Tribe has many recreational programs and facilities that provide the same services that the Oneida Housing Authority Site II building and Three Sisters Library have been hosting. There is no need for the duplication of services that exist. The programs that OHA has been hosting or assisting with, such as the Summer Program and Elder Bingo will still be offered. The Oneida Housing Authority is partnering with other tribal departments to continue these programs. Oneida Housing Authority will not be administering the programs, but we will be funding them. We also would like to ensure that the traditional beadwork and outfit making classes are still available to our youth along with drum group. We are working with other tribal departments to ensure that these activities will be offered through their programs. The Oneida Housing Authority will be contributing money to help fund these activities.

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 15, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
WHERE: Oneida Housing Authority, 2913 Commissioner St, Oneida
If you have any questions, please call 869-2227.

CIP Report

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volunteers, Bill Vervoort, Integrated Food System Coordinator, and Gary Smith, Oneida Pantry Coordinator for the Food Distribution Program. Smith has a community garden across the street from the Nori Damrow Building. "Two years ago I wanted to start a garden because the food donations we were getting here were close to being spoiled.," said Smith. From this Smith decided to plant the programs own garden.

Rozella Moss and Geraldine Hallan volunteer community members help maintain the garden. The program had the garden tilled up by Tsyunhehkwa staff and a government program provided the seeds and shipping was the only cost. Volunteer Geraldine Hallan took care of the arrangement to get the seeds.

Smith is always open to having volunteers to help with the food pantry and gardening project. "We're growing potatoes, tomatoes, beets, carrots, onions, peas, beans, squash, zucchini, peppers," Smith said. The Food Distribution garden also allows community members to come in and plant their own garden and maintain it to help out their own families. Food Distribution provides the seeds, land, till the land and the program waters the plants at no cost. The families just needed to plant and weed the garden. This year they have three families that are gardening and are hoping to get more next year.

Of the 50' X 150' garden project it is hoped that it will produce 70 to 100 quart jars canned of tomatoes from the garden this year and will provide food for 250 to 300 families, which is an estimated value of $5,000. "That's what it's all about helping others," said Smith.

Oakley Arnold the Cultural Educator who works for the Oneida Nation Museum had students from the West De Pere High School District help plant the Three Sisters in mounds, tobacco, strawberries, raspberries, b-balm sage, mint, Echinacea, and ivy. "This is the first year the museum had a garden with the Oneida students from West De Pere High School," said Arnold. Margo Reiter is the Native American Advisor for the West De Pere School District who brought the high school students out as part of the Youth Educational Services (YES) Program.

The curriculum for the students that Arnold put together is made up of preparing the soil, planting, maintaining and harvesting of tobacco. Further education was based on how the tobacco is used for ceremonial purposes, about medicinal plants on the nature trail located behind the museum, how to identify medicines such as bergamot, flag, bitter root, and others. He explained to them about the four stages of strawberry plants and how they relate to the creation story. His instruction included the care of plants by singing and talking to them to help them grow.

They are hoping to have parents and students come out for a harvest feast so students can see their finished product. Arnold talked about how he educates the people that visit the museum. When they have questions he always brings them out to the garden to talk with them and explain cultural stories and how they relate it to the garden and creation.

Next year he hopes to focus on music and dance and relate it to the museums garden such as the seed ceremony songs and possibly make CD's of the songs that would be given to the high school students.

Another garden growing includes the Highway 54 garden where community members and Tsyunhehkwa grow beans, squash, corn, peppers, etc. Families within the community and Tsyunhehkwa staff tend this garden. When you drive into the garden area it's like walking into a beauty of the Creator's Land, there are very lusciously green plants of beans, corn, sunflowers, and many others.

One of the bigger projects of gardening include the garden at the Turtle School where they use their foods at the Fall Family Feast held as a school and community event for students, staff and families. It is evident, that by the out stretched vines of squash and the hanging over tomato plants and many others that they have definitely been tended to and nurtured to fulfill their instructions as mentioned in the opening address.

Then there is the garden project at the Oneida Nation High School that has raised beds that high school students have been involved in over the summer. Their objective will be promoting healthy foods and developing a recipe book as part of their project. Becky Anderson, Art Teacher for the high school said, "we're hoping to be nominated for the golden carrot award for implementing healthy foods in the school lunches."

The final garden worth mentioning is at the Cultural Heritage Program where they grow medicinal plants such as clover, bergamot, wild mint, and other plants that are used for community members who work with Annette Cornelius, Cultural Wellness Facilitator and Ron Hill, Cultural Healing Facilitator on healing. You can find the Oneida names of these plants, the common names and the scientific names of plants and it's uses. There is also a nice explanation there to read on how the Bear Clan People became the keepers of the medicines.

If interested in volunteering for these garden projects you can contact Maxine Thomas at 869-1676 - Turtle School, Gary Smith at 869-1041 - Food Distribution, Oakley Arnold at 869-2768 - Oneida Museum, or Lou Williams at 869-2718, Tsyunhehkwa.

Yawʌ́ko…to the Oneida Community:

Thank You so much for voting me back on to the

Oneida Appeals Commission.

It is much Appreciated!

~ Jennifer Webster

ACTIVE CIP PROJECTS - Communication Plans

Submitted by: Engineering Department — Aug. 21, 2006

The Project information will be communicated to the community and staff as follows:

a. Weekly status reports - Monday 8:30 AM at LBDC conference room (Project Manager)
b. Community Meetings - *(as noted below)* (Project Manager)
c. Quarterly reports in: (Senior Tribal Architect)
 - DRUMS
 - Gaming Gazette (will note which edition of Kalihwisaks report is published in)
 - To Directors and Supervisors via e-mail
 - Kalihwisaks
 - On Oneida Intranet under Reference Directory, Internal Resources
 - On Oneida Website under Oneida Nation News
d. Ground breaking and dedication ceremonies scheduled with the events coordinator (Project Manager / Business Unit Manager)
e. Periodic articles in the Kalihwisaks based upon the specific needs of the project. (Project Manager)
f. Periodic updates at the Business Unit Informational Meetings (Senior Tribal Architect)

All CIP Projects will be developed employing a process of development consisting of four (4) distinct phases, as noted below:

Project Phases:	Phase Titles:	Phase Description:	% of Project:
CIP - 1	CIP Package assembly phase	The Project Team assemblies the specific project information into a package for approval of project.	0 to 25%
CIP - 2	Project Approval phase	The CIP Package is routed to review entities for comment and finally presented to OBC for approval.	26 to 35%
CIP - 3	Design phase	The Architect designs building and prepares documents defining the scope of work for contractors to bid on.	36 to 65%
CIP - 4	Construction phase	The project is bid and constructed.	66 to 100%

Project No.	CIP Request Date	Project Title	Project Manager	Current Project Phase	% of Project completed	Total Project Budget	Scheduled Completion
94-005	8/26/94	Oneida Cultural Center	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	42%	$22,625,000 estimated as of 2005	To be determined by capital campaign
	The facility will provide cultural and history services by establishing a centralized, holistic, research, exhibition, learning, and teaching facility with a non-institutionalized atmosphere, for the use of the Oneida Nation and will become a major tourism attraction for Northeast Wisconsin serving the local, national, and international public.						
Community Meetings:	The project has had four community meetings and will have additional when in the design phase.						
97-001	10/29/96	Oneida Nation Judicial Center	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	5%	To be determined	Project on hold, pending creation of judicial system.
	The facility will provide appropriate court rooms, law library, offices, and support spaces for the Appeals Commission to carry out their mission within the Oneida Judicial System, which protects the self governance and sovereignty of the Oneida Nation.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
98-005	FY98	Assisted Living Facility & New Anna John Nursing Home	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 2	34%	$48,424,000 Estimated	Estimated Substantial Completion: Oct. 2008
	The facility will provide another option in the continuum of care for tribal members. Assisted Living facilities offer a homelike atmosphere with trained professionals who are available to help residents with their daily routines. Nursing homes offer 24-hour a day care for those who can no longer live independently and/or may need specialized care for severe illness or injuries. The proposed facility will also include the congregate meals program which will share kitchen and dining space with the other programs in the building.						
Community Meetings:	One Community meeting was held on Dec. 15, 2005. Additional meetings to be determined.						
21-009	FY01	Wastewater Treatment Facility	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	80%	$7,159,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: Nov. 2006
	The project will create a wastewater treatment facility in central Oneida which will allow us to determine our own sewer service area boundaries (sovereignty), assist in reducing land acquisition costs, maintain affordable sewer utility rates, and will recharge water resources of the reservation.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
23-003	FY03	Administration Building	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	47%	$29,700,000	Project on hold
	The project will promote operational efficiencies through co-location of business units currently scattered around the reservation. The proposed new building will allow the co-location of all core Tribal governmental and key non-core business units at a site which is convenient to central Oneida. All Tribal government services will be readily available to Tribal members and officials at a single site.						
Community Meetings:	One meeting was held and one additional meeting is planned. Specific date has not been determined.						
23-005	2/24/03	Residential Home Sites (infrastructure only)	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	38%	$900,000	Project on hold, pending approval of comprehensive housing plan.
	The project is proposed to develop home building sites on Tribal owned parcels for Tribal members to build homes on. The proposed project would be for multiple sites and be phased over a number of years. Sites will be offered to individuals on the DOLM waiting list.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
23-404	FY03	Main Casino Master Plan	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	23%	To be determined	To be determined
	The current project will define the scope and cost of expanding the overall casino/hotel site into a destination resort facility. The scope will be used in creating a CIP Package for project approval. The project will consolidate the gaming operations onto this site and maximize efficiencies.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
04-009	2/27/04	Packerland One Stop	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	69%	$7,796,000	Estimated Substantial Completion: March 2007
	The project is proposed to include a convenience store, restaurant, and casino. The objective is to maximize profits by accommodating the needs of the emerging market of the South Packerland Drive area.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
04-018	5/19/04	West Mason Street Town Houses	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP -4	66%	$1,700,000	To be determined
	The project is proposed to develop between twelve and twenty, two and three bedroom town houses style units as suitable for eventual conversion to condominiums.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
04-022	7/23/04	Oneida Public Transit Garage	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 3	36%	$5,600,000	Project on hold, pending approval of long-term transit plan.
	The project will create a facility to house Transit's buses and vans. It will include some support spaces. It is anticipated that the majority of the funding for this project will come from federal transportation grants.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-006	6/2/05	Buffalo Observation Shelter	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 4	66%	$44,000	To be determined.
	This project will provide a buffalo observation shelter that is accessible to all persons including those with limited mobility, on a raised portion of the site and will provide a unique vantage point for visitors to observe the buffalo.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						

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State/National

Voices for Oneida:
Sign up drive underway

Submitted by Gina Zabrowski
Voices for Oneida

The 2006 Annual Membership Drive for Voices For Oneida is set to begin tomorrow – the official dates are September 1st -September 30th. If you are currently a member of Voices For Oneida, you have already begun to receive information regarding the details. If you aren't a member, a fellow employee, friend or family member may approach you, share some information and recommend that you join. There are some great prizes to be won, and if you join early, you can participate in the contest too!

You may be asking…what is Voices For Oneida…and why is it important to me? Voices for Oneida, in very simple terms, is a savings/bank account that you use specifically to make political contributions. And, we make it very easy to participate through automatic payroll deductions. With as little as $2 per pay period you can become a member and, once your account accumulates, you can use the money to support the candidates of your choice.

Participation in Voices For Oneida is extremely important at this point, especially given the fact that the fall elections are just around the corner. As in any other election year, you can remain a bystander and complain about the results, or you can take an active role in the process.

It is important for all of us to become involved in Voices For Oneida because giving financial support to our local & state officials shows that we are involved and that we care. By making donations to candidates we are helping to ensure that the Oneida People have fair and equitable representation at the local and state level. And we are sending a message to candidates and legislators that we support those who support the interests of the Oneida Nation.

To give you an idea of how active the conduit currently is, below is a list of contributions made to candidates/parties since January 2006. We have sent out checks totaling $10,613; $1,282 of which was designated to local races in the spring elections:

Campaign Committee Year To Date

Total Contributions

Patty Hoeft for Brown County Supervisor……... $292
Al Manders for West DePere School District……$205
Friends for Norbert DeCleene (Village of Ashwaubenon President)……$785
State Senate Dem. Campaign Committee……$1,356
Tom Nelson for Assembly ……..$2,042
Doyle for Wisconsin….$2,200
Friends of Judy Robson...$500
Brown Co. Dem. Party…$200
Friends of Dave Hansen..$430
John Lehman for Senate..$103
Assembly Dem. Campaign Committee……$400
Rep. Assembly Campaign Committee..……$1,600
Friends of Representative Terry Musser……$500

As you can see, the amounts of the donations can be quite substantial, and are very greatly appreciated by the recipient.

If you are currently a member of Voices for Oneida, please get others involved. If you are not a members, please join today!!

For more information on Voices For Oneida, please contact Nathan King in the Legislative Affairs office at 869-4022, or contact Gina in the Voices For Oneida Administrative Offices at **gina@jtenuta.com**.

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CenturyTel is energizing its efforts to inform residents of two assistance programs that provide discounts on initial telephone installation and basic monthly telephone service to qualifying low-income consumers. Link-Up helps these consumers pay the initial costs of getting telephone service. Lifeline provides certain discounts on monthly service for qualified subscribers.

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The amount of the discounts also varies by state. Link-Up helps qualified low-income consumers to connect to the telephone network. This federal program offsets 1/2 of the initial hook-up fee, up to $30, for qualified households.

Residents of American Indian and Alaskan Native tribal lands may qualify for an additional $25 of enhanced Lifeline support monthly and up to $70 of expanded Link-Up support beyond current levels. An individual living on tribal lands may also qualify for Lifeline and Link-Up discounts if he or she participates in one of the above programs or one of the following federal programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance or Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance to Needy Families.

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05-011	2/14/05	Oneida Law Enforcement Center Remodel	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	1%	To be determined	Project on hold
	The project will include minor remodeling and a new site sign. The project scope is being defined as the CIP Package is assembled.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
05-012	3/2/05	Elder Garages & Driveways	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	20%	To be determined	Project on hold, pending approval of SOP for program.
	The project would add garages and paved driveways on Oneida elders property to make it safer for them to move from the vehicle to their home.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
05-013	3/2/05	Elder Services / Apartment Improvements	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenan1@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	20%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project would include adding garages for the apartment residents, installing a surveillance system for the common areas, and enhancing the landscaping.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
05-014 thru 05-021	FY05	Gaming Building Renovations	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-3 & 4	varies	$1,724,771	varies
	The project includes various maintenance and minor repair projects at the main casino, IMAC, and Mason Street Casino. Projects include: roof replacement, carpet replacement, asphalt repair, toilet room remodeling.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
05-025	9/2/05	NHC Remodeling - Phase V	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-4	75%	$1,207,800	Estimated Substantial Completion: Nov. 2006
	The project is a continuation of the upgrading of the building to current building codes and creating operating efficiencies of building systems. Phase V will mainly consist of replacing the existing steam boilers with hot water boilers and other work associated with the replacement. Replacement will provide better energy efficiency.						
Community Meetings:	No meetings are planned.						
06-001	10/18/05	Tribal Building Restoration	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP - 1	5%	To be determined	Project on hold, pending approval of process to designate historic properties.
	The project will restore this historically significant building to allow it to be used for community related programs and services.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
06-002	1/10/06	Oneida Nation High School	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	5%	To be determined	To be determined
	The project will construct a new high school to address the deficiencies in the current structure, allow more curriculum choices for the students and enhance student enrollment by providing a facility designed for a high school function.						
Community Meetings:	One Community meeting was held on March 16, 2006. Additional meetings to be determined.						
06-003	2/03/06	EHS Environmental Experiential / Education Center	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparr@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	1%	To be determined	Project on hold
	The project will be a sustainable building including low impact development, green building materials and sustainable elements throughout the life cycle of the facility. This building will be used as a model for future tribal buildings and community education.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
06-004	7/26/06	Railroad Trail	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	1%	To be determined	Project on hold
	The project would develop the former railroad easement through the reservation into a multi-use paved and unpaved trail for walking, jogging, biking, X-Country skiing, snow shoeing, and will include educational signage.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
06-005	4/11/06	Oneida Nation Farms Storage Shed	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	1%	To be determined	Project on hold
	The project would construct a centralized storage shed for the farm operation's equipment and dry baled crops.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						
06-006	6/28/06	Oneida Fishery Restoration Project	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	1%	To be determined	Project on hold
	The project would create a sustainable 20 to 30 acre fishery on the reservation in a former sand pit located near the corner of Crook Road and County U.						
Community Meetings:	To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed.						

Questions regarding a specific project can be directed to the Engineering Department's Project Manager listed above.

Lacrosse Game
Saturday September 16, 2006
2:15pm behind the N.H.C.
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THE OPENING

Through our teachings, we provide an Opening Address to acknowledge all of Creation. We are requesting Fire Keepers. The opening will begin at 2:00pm Fire Keepers will be needed until the social is complete.

LACROSSE

The Lotinishoni refer to Lacrosse as "The Creators Game." Kenneth B. Metoxen and John Teller Sr. will provide opposing teams to play Lacrosse. Kenneth will lead a team from the Oneida Community and John will lead a team from the Menominee Community.

Please bring a dish to pass for the community Potluck.
CAPPS will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and brats.

The O.N.H.S. Students and Oneida Long House Singers will provide Social Songs for the Social Dancing.

Round dance, Friendship Dance, Woman's Dance, Stick Dance, Smoke Dance.

We have reserved the
Sonny King Memorial Building (Civic Center), in case of rain.

Sports

Thunderhawks back at it





Kali photo/Steven J Gandy

Darrell Skenandore #10 (bottom) races down the side line at last Friday nights game (Aug 25). Skenandore goes on to score the Thunderhawks only touchdown of the evening. Freddy Hernandez #86 (top) wraps up a player from Abundant Life Christian. The tackle prevented a big gain for the opponent.

By Steven J Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Thunderhawks began their season Friday night, August 25, against Abundant Life Christian in a 20-6 loss. The games bright spot for the Thunderhawks was an 80 plus yard run for a touchdown by Oneida Senior Darryl Skenandore in the second quarter. The point after was called back by a procedural infraction on Oneida and on the second attempt the Thunderhawks attempted a two point conversion and failed. The net result was six points and that's where the Thunder hawks remained for the duration of the game.

This years roster is comprised of 24 players. This means many players are playing both sides of the ball.

The Thunderhawks are scheduled to meet Menominee on Fri Sept. 1 in Menominee. The game will begin at 4pm.

Head Coach Nathan King had this to say about the upcoming game, "We're looking forward to overall having a good game, everybody playing well and being motivated to win this week."

Danforth shines on championship team

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

Nona Danforth, a 17-year-old high school senior, played 45 games of softball for the National Wisconsin Bandits Team ending the season with great opportunities for herself.

Roger Schliewe the head coach and manager of the Wisconsin Bandits founded the Bandits in 1992 when he saw the need to have opportunities for high school aged softball girls for scholarships through a summer program.

"I couldn't understand why kids weren't getting scholarships because most of the college coaches look for summer ball. They don't really watch high school ball because it's kind of diluted, there's a lot of kids that aren't as good and so I started my own traveling team, picking up good players all over the area and traveling around the country going to where the scouts were and then our kids started getting more scholarships and more looks," said Schliewe.



Submitted photo

Nona Danforth in action playing 1st base for her summer softball team "The Bandits."

The Bandits traveled to Lexington, South Carolina to compete in the Independent Softball Association (ISA) National Tournament and won the tournament, "That was big, we are more like the National Champions of the ISA," said Schliewe.

"Nona also won the All-Tourney Team during the South Carolina Tournament," said Kerry Danforth of his daughter, Nona.

Danforth, who has been playing softball since third grade, tried out for the Bandits in January 2005 and was selected to be on the team of 12 girls. Danforth began in the outfield and was later moved to first base and excelled.

"I was ready to quit softball at Pulaski and then this coach helped me out a lot and brought my confidence back and I enjoyed playing softball," said Danforth of Assistant Coach for the Bandits, Craig Bunkoske. Danforth has transferred to Seymour High School to finish her senior year.

Tryouts for the Bandits take place in September, all a player has to do is call and let them know they're interested and show up. Once selected, practices start in October and November once or twice a week at the World Series Training Center in Horicon, Wisconsin. They focus on ability, and dedication. The athletes pay a starting fee of $600.00 to cover costs of uniforms, tournaments, equipment and practice fees. Later there are additional fees for traveling out of state that could add up to a little over $2,000.00.

"I want to thank the tribe for sponsoring me to travel to Florida for two weeks for the tournament," said Danforth.

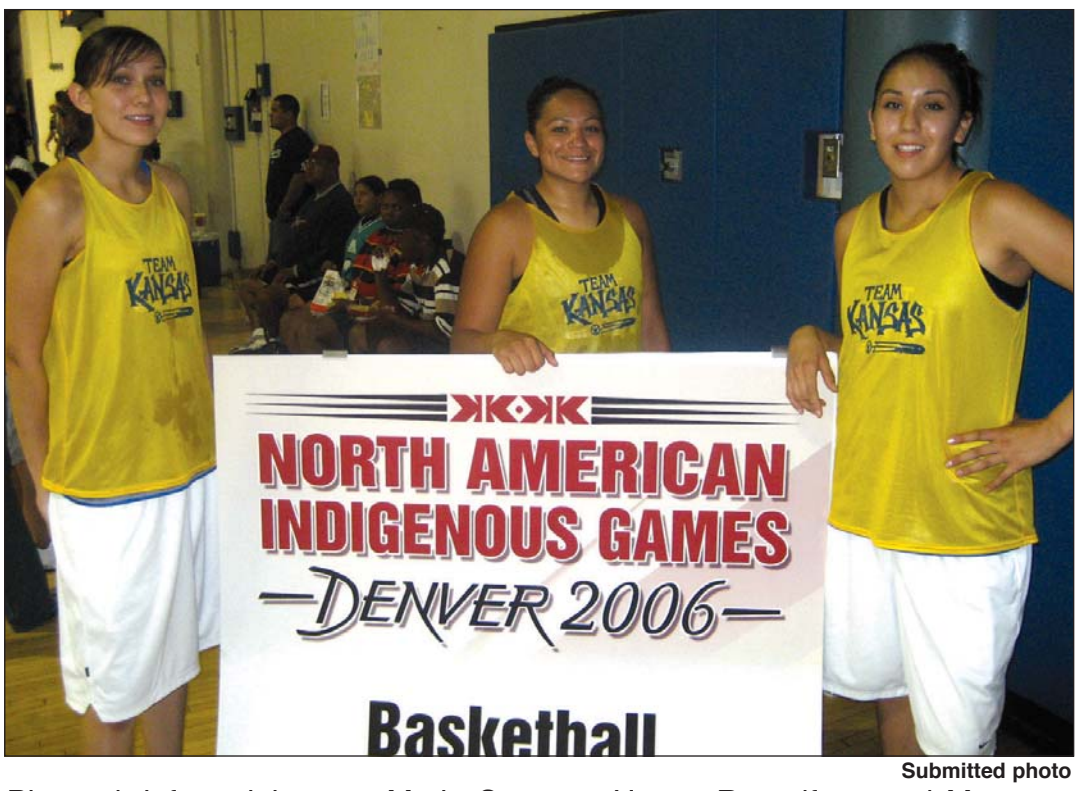
"The Bandits were 33 and 12, they played in seven tournaments, won four of them, and took second in one, third in one and then seventh in the northern nationals," said Coach Schliewe.

Danforth started as a very quiet young lady and became a "very clutch hitter and became more confident, and in northern nationals hit two home runs," said Schliewe.

Danforth ended the season with a batting average of .270, her on base percentage is .328, slugging average is .402 and she has the record for the third top RBI's with a score of 22, six doubles, two home runs, and two triples.

The World Series Training Center has assisted in opening doors for Danforth. Daytona Community College, a two-year college, has offered her a full scholarship. She also has schools such as UWGB, UW-Oshkosh, and possibly UW-Madison looking at her. Danforth plans on touring UW-Oshkosh this fall and possibly making a visit to UW-Madison.

Bringing home the Silver



Submitted photo

Pictured, left to right, are: Maria Stevens, Honey Roundface and Margaret Stevens. All three girls attend Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas. All three played for the Women's Basketball team. Margaret played 2 years prior to that at United Tribes Technical College and Maria was the first basketball participant to reach 1000 points at the Oneida Nation High School. Team Kansas took home the Silver medal in the Games.

Oneida Recreation's Co-ed Soccer League will begin soon

Tuesday Nights starting September 12th, Oneida Recreation is hosting their annual coed soccer league

- 4–6 year-olds, 5:05-6:00 pm
- 6–9 year-olds, 6:05-7:00 pm
- 10–12 years, 7:05- 8:00 pm

15 minute instructional session, then split in to teams to play.

Special Events:

- October 13th – UWGB Men's halftime show
- October 24th – Parents -vs- Kids Pizza Party

This is a recreational league, all level of skills are welcomed. All participants must be members of Oneida Recreation ($5.00 membership fee) and have soccer shin guards to play. Shin guards may be purchased at Wal-Mart or Target. If a child does not have shin guards, he/she will not be able to participate that day. If there are any questions, please call Kim at **920-833-0010.**





Oneida dancers take the spotlight at Artstreet

By Steve Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The 25th Anniversary edition of Artstreet kicked off on Friday August 25 and ran through Sunday August 27 in downtown Green Bay. The event showcased Artists and their work to the public free of charge. Pow-wow dancers took to the Oneida Stage on Saturday at 2:00pm. Traditional dancers (below) are lined up waiting to demonstrate their dancing style to the on-looking public. One such Traditional dancer (right) moves to the sounds of Duck Creek Crossing Drum Group.

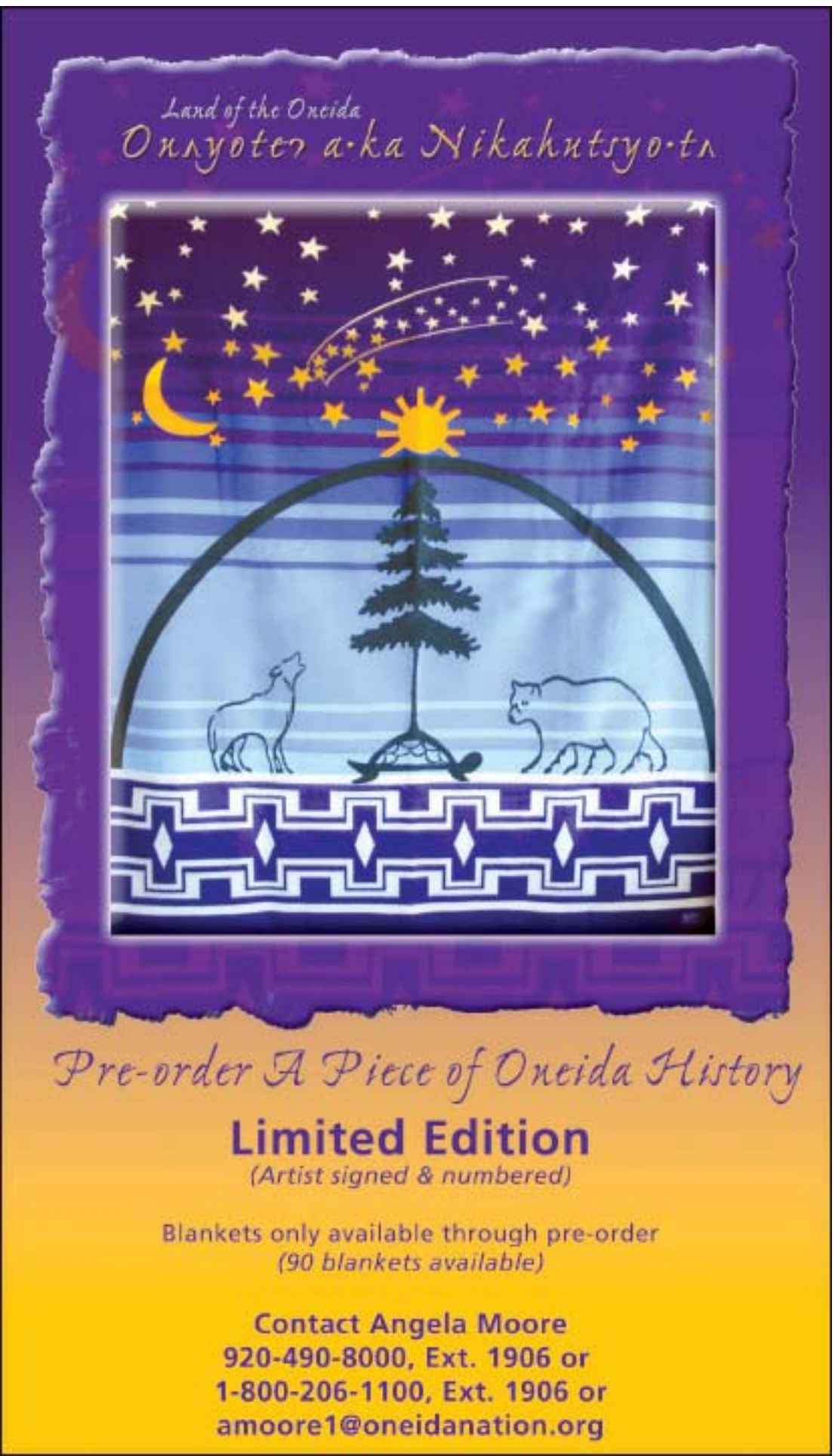
Also on hand were traditional Oneida artists displaying and demonstrating their art and techniques. Loretta Webster (Bottom right) demonstrates her raised beading technique to the public as another artisan (background) works diligently at his station.





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Environmental

Changes in habitat mean changes for Canada Geese



Kalihwisaks file photo

Submitted by Bill Koonz
Environmental Specialist

What is happening with the Canada geese?

It is not hard to tell the days are growing shorter. This means less time for outdoor activities and major changes for many of our local wildlife.

Maybe you have noticed that the birds are not singing as much as they did in June or that the robins have largely left the city. Local mallards, Canada geese and sandhill cranes are testing their wings, calling and flocking up.

For about six weeks each summer, Canada Geese and other waterfowl lose their ability to fly. They molt all their flight feathers, unlike most birds that molt one or a few feathers at a time but retain their ability to fly. During the molt is when most waterfowl have broods. It is also when they are most secretive and vulnerable. Now that the flight feathers have grown in, family groups are testing their new-found flight and are gathering together with others to form flocks for feeding, roosting and preparing for migration.

Geese, and waterfowl in general, require water to digest their food. They fly out to feed early in the morning, come back to open water before noon, fly out again in the afternoon to feed before returning to open water to roost at night. Hunters and waterfowl watchers have recognized this pattern by preparing for the morning and evening flights.

Canada geese look alike but different populations range in size from three pounds to over 20 pounds. Generally, the farther south they breed the bigger they are and the less distance they migrate. They have been adapting to humans and have begun to breed and increase their numbers throughout much of North America. They now breed in most cities, nesting on rooftops, in old hawk nests, on septic fields, along the edges of creeks, next to dumps, pools and on vacant lots. They feed on human handouts, agricultural fields, local gardens, golf greens and private lawns.

Having Canada geese nest here is new, within the last 30 years. They historically nested in northern Canada, on the tundra, along the Hudson Bay coast and in areas of short grass near water. Number increases can be rapid for a species that lays six egg clutches and can live for 20 years. They have become a problem for many residents, especially golf course and park managers.

Canada geese require:

- Access to water, preferring open water when most local ducks prefer vegetated marshes
- Open areas where they can see and feed (golf courses, mowed lawns)
- An undisturbed area to raise their broods during the summer

Canada geese have adapted to what we humans are doing on the landscape. By understanding what these animals require we can adapt to their presence and control where they live. It is typically far easier to change the living conditions (habitat) that allows for a species to be in an area than it is to control individual animals. If the habitat exists, animals of the same species will replace the ones destroyed, if the habitat is altered the species will leave permanently.

By understanding the habitat requirements of a species we can more easily learn to live with that species and/or control where it lives.

Hunters enjoy pace of archery

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Be very, very quiet, it's bow hunting season September 2nd to November 17th.

Bow hunters prefer the quieter, more solitary pace of the ancient art of archery compared to hustle and bustle of the gun deer season November 17-20.

"You're just out there, it's quiet, it's just more relaxing to be out there bow hunting," said Terry Metoxen, senior warden for Oneida Conservation and a bow hunter.

Oscar Schuyler has been bow hunting for about 10 years and now shares the sport with his 16-year-old daughter Jalessa and 12-year-old son Oscar Schuyler, II.

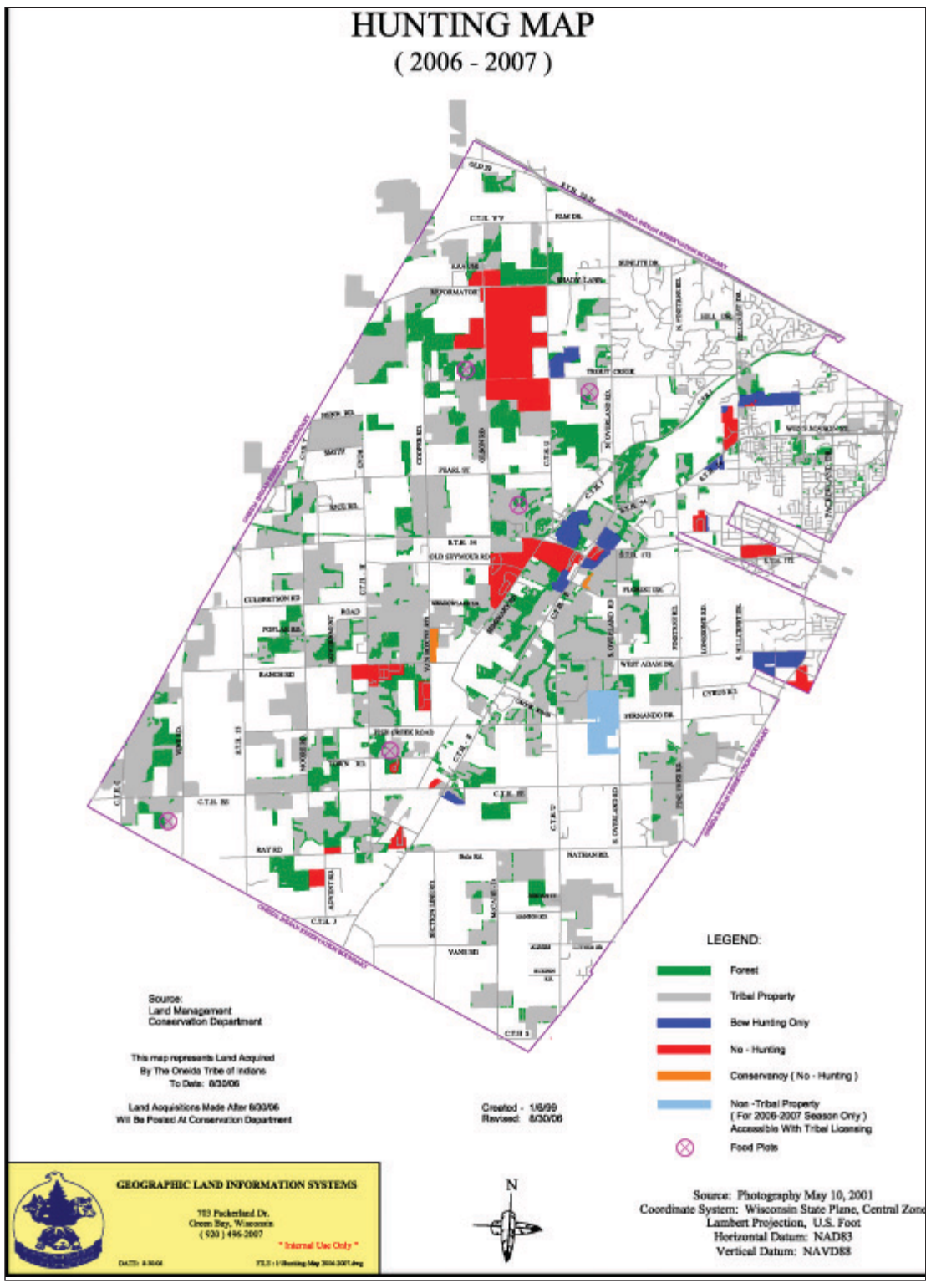
"I've always taken my kids with me out in the woods," he said, "They just like it. Part of it is being with Dad and part of it is just learning everything they need to know about deer and wildlife in general."

The younger Oscar recently completed a safety training course before setting out on his first hunting trip. While there are fewer accidents during bow season compared to gun season, Metoxen believes there is one safety issue that comes up more often.

"The majority of people, they hunt out of stands, is just being very careful when they're going up to actually be harnessed in onto the tree." he said.

Metoxen advises hunters to invest in a newer full body harness. "If you do happen to slip out of your stand, you're not going to go all the way to the ground...you'll be able to crawl back up into your tree stand or start yelling for help."

Hunters should also keep an eye out for a trio of bears, a male and a female with a cub, located near Shady Drive and County Highway U.



"Black bears usually don't come chasing unless they do have a cub and all they're doing is trying to protect the cub," said Metoxen, "If you do see it, just back away and leave the area. And if you see someone else, just let them know."

Hunting licenses are available from Oneida Conservation for $10 for tribal members and $15 for the spouse of a tribal member.

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Health

Cataract surgery and medication alert

Submitted by Joseph E Binard MD FRCSC
Oneida Community Health Center

The American Urological Association has issued a statement warning all patients who are taking Alpha Blockers (like Flomax) that this drug might affect the outcome of cataract surgery or at least make the eye surgery more difficult.

"Prostate hypertrophy is very often treated quite successfully with medicine instead of surgery."

One the prescriptions used to this effect is an Alpha Blocker (like FLOMAX).

This medicine is quite safe but has recently shown to make Cataract surgery a little more complicated if the surgeon is not aware that the patient is taking this medicine.

Flomax and similar drugs might cause IFIS (Intraoperative Floppy Iris Syndrome): which means that the Iris does not remain well dilated during surgery and makes the cataract surgery more difficult.

It is therefore important that all patients who are to undergo cataract surgery notify their eye surgeon that they are taking Alpha Blockers (prostate medication).

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Oneida Community Health Center Urology Department or speak to your Pharmacist, Optometrist or Clinic Nursing Staff at: **(920) 869-2711**.

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490-3730 **American Red Cross**

8th Annual Diabetes Event: Put the Points in Your Favor

Submitted by Elizabeth Schwantes
Oneida Community Health Center

This year's Diabetes Event was held on August 2nd at the Lambeau Field Atrium. Once again, the Oneida Community demonstrated their support for learning more about controlling diabetes by an overwhelming attendance. The event was a sell out, with 410 tickets sold.

The evening began with a prayer from Deacon Bobbi Doxtator. The event included a delicious healthy meal prepared by the Packer Association, three grand giveaways of two recumbent bikes, and a professional treadmill along with other fun door prizes. A reception area with bottled water allowed for visiting time with others, and several vender booths.

Master of Ceremonies was Tim Moureau RN, NP, CDE. Tim has been with the Oneida Community Health Center Diabetes Clinic for 11 years. He plays an integral role in the Diabetes Clinic. Thank you Tim for such great patient care, and your help in the Diabetes Event.

Our guest speaker this year was Dr. Flood. Dr. Flood joined the Oneida Community Health Center recently, and has been a tremendous asset. He gave a great overview of diabetes and the importance of controlling diabetes to reduce risk factors. Dr. Flood's contribution to The Clinic has already been "priceless".



Photo courtesy of Elizabeth Schwantes

From left to right: Colleen Messner, RN, Charlene Kizor, RN and Cathy Francart, RN display information about diabetes at the 8th Annual Diabetes Event held at Lambeau Field August 2nd.

This year we brought back the patient panelist part of the program. That was a suggestion from last year's evaluations. Panelists this year where Jessica Hernandez, Lisa Miller, Michelle Boyd, and James Danforth. All four panelists did a great job telling their story on how diabetes has affected them, and how they are controlling it. The planning committee would like to thank all of them for having the courage to speak out and share their experiences in hopes to help others. Great job!

Dr. Bill McConkey, professional motivational and humorist speaker, ended the evening for us with seriousness and laughter. He left us with many messages, but most importantly he left us all feeling very significant. We all touch each other's lives, and all of us are monumental statues in our own rights.

I would like to thank the planning committee for another great event. The planning committee this year was Susan Beck, Beth Scheelk, Jill Caelwaerts, Karen Hallada, Maria Danforth, Jackie Metoxen, Beth Herlache, and Karen Jordan, and myself Betty Schwantes. There where many others who volunteered in order to make this evening come together. Without them events like this would be impossible. Thank you!

We look forward to future events. This is a community that cares. Events like this are proof of it!!! Thank you to all who attended.

March of Dimes Celebrity Golf Classic

GREEN BAY - The March of Dimes is having their 20th annual Celebrity Golf Classic Tuesday, September 26, at Fox Hills Golf Resort in Mishicot, Wisconsin.

This is a great opportunity to join "Murphy in the Morning", past and present Green Bay Packer Players and other local celebrities to raise money for an organization that works hard to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality.

The registration fee for this event is $150.00 per person if paid after September 8th. This fee includes the following:

*18 holes of golf and a golf cart
*Luncheon Cookout
*Unlimited beverage and snacks on the course
*Souvenir gifts
*Foursome photos
*Hors d' oeuvres at social hour
*Tenderloin Dinner
*Awards for winning teams
*Raffle tickets
8*Special contests holes with prizes

This event begins at 10:00am with registration until 11:15am. Golfing starts at 10:30am and will continue throughout the day. From 4:15 to 5:00pm there will be Hors d' oeuvres served in the clubhouse and at 5:00pm dinner, awards program, raffles and auction will all take place.

The March of Dimes Celebrity Golf Classic has had over 19 years of successful fund-raising and has become a yearly event for many people. This is a chance for people to golf all day with local celebrities, win free prizes and most importantly raise money to help save babies. If you are interested in participating please call Chris at 920-337-9099 or email ccann@marchofdimes.com to receive more information.

Oneida Community Health Center
Contract Health Community Meeting
September 13th, 2006
Main Conference Room
1:30pm to 4:00pm

1:30 PM - 2:00 PM: CHS information (Eligibility, Proof of Residency and Questions)
1:45 PM - 2:15 PM: Navigator-American Cancer Society
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM: Social Security Disability Insurance- Appeals Process
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM: Diabetic Department (Questions and Updates)
3:30 PM - 4:00 PM: Medical Benefits (Medicare questions and updates)
1:30pm - 4:00pm---- Will assist with applications for Wisconsin Well Womens Program, Senior Care and Medicare D Extra Help
Will serve snacks and drinks

Seeking Softball teams for Fall League

Submitted by Kyle Casper
Recreation Lead

The Recreation Department is currently seeking teams for the Fall Softball League. Games will be played on Monday nights at the Site I ball diamond beginning September 11th. Co-ed teams with up to 12 members ages 13 & up may be submitted. The first six teams to register will be accepted into the league. Roster forms may be picked up and submitted to the Civic Center. The deadline to register is September 8th. For any questions, contact Lora Danforth at **869-1088.**

ONEIDA ACTIVE FOR LIFE CHOOSE TO MOVE
KICKOFF CELEBRATION!

Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2006
12:00pm - 1:30pm
The Radisson Wolf Room

ONEIDA FAMILY FITNESS, ADVENTURE & RECREATION

FREE:
Exercise
Presentations
Light Refreshments
Blood Pressure Screenings

SOVEREIGN ONEIDA NATION OF WISCONSIN

The first 500 participants to arrive receive a FREE T-Shirt and Active For Life Booklet

Change Tomorrow. Today!!!

???Did you know???
Heart Disease and **Stroke** account for more than 949,000 lives lost in the United States alone! Show your support by attending the Heart Walk or submitting a donation to Karen Hallada or Dawn Krines Glatt at the Oneida Community Health Center.

Green Bay Heart Walk
Come join the Oneida Heart Walk Team
Saturday, September 23rd at Lambeau Field
Meet outside the Atrium doors near the Vince Lombardi Statue between 8:00-8:45 am

Registration starts at 8:00 am • Walk at 9:00 am • Choose either the 1 or 3 mile route • Lunch Provided • Fun for Children Too!!

Bring at least one friend or find one person to offer a donation!!!

Donations can be brought to the event and submitted to your Team Captains, Karen Hallada or Dawn Krines Glatt

Have fun at the Heart Walk and help save lives!!!

You can also register and join the Oneida Team online at:
http://heartwalk.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=146244

If you have any questions call:
Karen Hallada @ (920) 869-4899
Dawn Krines Glatt @ (920) 869-4884



Primary Election is September 12th, 2006

Why Your Vote is Important

Oneida citizens, employees and community are at a critical turning point. For too long, we have faced series after series of attacks on our sovereign rights. Serious questions loom about our economic and cultural well being for the years to come. Will we be able to maintain our sustenance - hunting, fishing, and gathering rights? Will we be able to continue to govern our own communities, making decisions to best serve the needs of our people? Will we have vital governmental services, healthy communities and people, with strong and proud cultural roots?

The time has come for us put the power of the ballot – democracy's true trump card – to work for the Oneida Nation citizens, employees and community at large by electing those individuals who will work cooperatively with the Oneida Nation leaders, and also respect the inherent SOVEREIGN rights of the Oneida Nation.

Where do I vote?

Voters who are already registered, you may contact your local municipal clerk for polling sites.

City of Green Bay
920-448-3010
City of DePere
920-339-4050
Village of Hobart
920-869-1011
Town of Oneida
920-833-2211
Town of Lawrence
920-336-9131
Village of Ashwaubenon
920-492-2302
Village of Allouez
920-448-2800
Town of Suamico
920-434-2212
Town of Bellevue
920-468-9316
Village of Pulaski
920-822-5182
Town of Seymour
920-833-7961

Local Candidates in and around the reservation

Assembly District 4 (No primary)
Phil Montgomery (I), Republican
Rich Langen, Democratic
Assembly District 5 (No primary)
Thomas Nelson (I), Democratic
Jim Regal, Republican
Assembly District 88
Judy Krawczyk (I), Republican
Dan Aude, Democratic
Jim Soletski, Democratic
Assembly District 90
Karl VanRoy (I), Republican
Carl Arnoldi, Democratic
Gary Froseth, Democratic

8th Congressional District
Steve Kagen, Democratic
Nancy Nausbaum, Democratic
Jamie Wall, Democratic
Jon Gard, Republican
Terri McCormick, Republican

Position Paper were requested from all candidates, the following submitted their views on Native American issues.

State Representative Tom Nelson

Native American Position Paper

Gaming: Indian gaming has become an important component of Wisconsin's economy, especially here in northeastern Wisconsin. The Oneida Nation's bingo and casino complex provides over 3,000 good paying jobs in our community, and generates millions of dollars in tourism revenue. With almost the entire reservation in the 5th District, I am committed to working with the Oneida Nation to build upon the economic successes we've already realized.

Legislative Oversight: There Should Not be legislative oversight in the negotiating of gaming compacts with the state's tribes. This debate is laden with overtly partisan agendas that do not bear in mind the bets interests of the state or the tribes. Where were the Assembly Republicans when Governor Thompson had the authority to negotiate compacts?

Sports Mascots: I do not support the use of Native American names and likeness for sports mascots and have supported legislation to oppose this.

Contact Information:
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Email: **tom@nelsonforassembly.com**
www.nelsonforassembly.com
Mail: **PO Box 25 Little Chute, WI 54140**

Rich Langan: State Assembly, District 4

My name is Rich Langan and I am running for the State Assembly in District 4. I have lived in Ashwaubenon for over 27 years and was employed by the Ashwaubenon Public Safety Department for 20 of those years. As part of my duties, I often responded to emergency calls on the Oneida Reservation. My professional association with the tribe can be summed up as cooperative and supportive. My personal association has been enjoyable, enlightening, and, most importantly, friendly. It is my intention to remain positive and forward thinking in future dealings with the Oneida people when I am elected to the State Assembly.

I pledge to approach matters of importance to the Oneida people with the respect that is due a Sovereign Nation. Working together, we will create a prosperous community for this generation and those to come.

I recognize that the ability to reclaim land lost to the tribe in the past is fundamental to the Oneida people as they strive to guarantee a future for themselves and their children.

The Gaming Compacts have provided a mechanism allowing all Native American people in Wisconsin to become self-sufficient and to determine their own futures. They have also benefitted the surrounding communities and are a positive force for economic growth. It is my intention to support the Tribe as it works to ensure that these efforts continue to prosper.

Jim Soletski for State Assembly

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to contact you during the Oneida Cultural Heritage Weekend. Although I have lived most of my 57 years in the Green Bay are and have worked and attended school with many of your members, much of my understanding of your tribal efforts are limited to the articles included in my daily Press Gazette. That will never replace face to face contact and I would appreciate the opportunity to meet with your leadership in the near future.

Many of the issues which continue to occupy the efforts of the Oneida Nation, Sovereignty, Land Trust, and Gaming compacts, are issues which play a major role in the work of the Wisconsin Assembly. As a representative from Northeast Wisconsin, I will look forward to partnering with the Oneida Nation to reach fair and equitable common ground on all of these topics. The future of your nation and our state, especially Northeast Wisconsin are closely tied together and we must work cooperatively for all of our benefit.

I wish you all the best this weekend and in the future.

Sincerely,
Jim Soletski
Candidate
88'th Assembly District

Carl Arnoldi: Assembly 90th district

Oneida is a very progressive community and has done wonders with the proceeds of it's gaming to help its members.

The non-tribal members of the community have benefitted with good jobs and entertainment that in the past required one to travel to other states.

The proceeds of gaming has helped the tribal members with the state of several non-gaming ventures, quality and affordable health care and education.

For any elective official to pose the path the Oneida community has taken would be irresponsible to their office.

Judy Krawczyk: 88th Assembley Representative

I am very pleased to extend my personal greetings to the members of the Oneida Nation.

I am Judy Krawczyk and I represent the 88th Assembly District in the Wisconsin Legislature. I am currently completing my third term in the Assembly, having first been elected in 2000. I chair the Assembly Committee on Workforce Development, and serve on the Assembly Health, State Affairs and natural Resources Committees.

Prior to being elected to the Assembly, I owned and operated the Sky Top Supper Club in Green Bay with my husband, Vern. We closed the restaurant last year after 33 years in business.

I have spent my entire life in Green Bay and have been active in a variety of community organizations as a member and community volunteer. I currently serve as President of the N.E.W. Zoological Society and have been active for many years in the Wisconsin Restaurant Association and the Wisconsin Tavern League. I also served as President of the American Business Women's Association, as a past treasurer of the YWCA of Green Bay, and am currently a member of the Green Bay De Pere Antiquarian Society.

I have a tremendous fondness for Green Bay and feel blessed to represent my friends and neighbors in the Wisconsin Legislature. I work hard to represent the variety of opinions that my constituents hold and I am very fair and respectful in my dealings with others.

Please feel free to call me if I can ever be of assistance of if you have any comments or concerns to share.

Best Regards,
Rep. Judy Krawczyk
88th Assembly District

Jamie Wall: 8th Congressional District

Indian Nations are sovereign governments affirmed by the U.S. Constitution and hundreds of treaties with the federal government. The federal government and tribal governments should work in tandem to address issues of specific concern to Indian Nations.

As a Member of Congress, I will work on several issues of specific importance to American Indians:

Land into trust - The federal government is responsible for the management of certain funds for the benefit of Native American people but recent mismanagement has hurt American Indians in Wisconsin and across America. Congress must take immediate action to address the issue of federal mismanagement and I will work hard to see that it does so.

Sovereignty - Indian tribes have a unique relationship with the federal government, affirmed by the Constitution, Supreme Court decisions, treaties, federal statutes, and Executive Orders. I will work to ensure that Wisconsin's tribes have the ability to preserve their culture, language, and way of life.

Education - Many Native American children are not receiving the quality education that they deserve due to crumbling schools, lack of access to technology, and lack of federal funding for No Child Left Behind and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. I will work for full funding of No Child Left Behind and increased funding for the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Health Services - The budget of the Indian Health Service, which is the federal government's health program for American Indians, gives only half as much money to care for each Native American as it gives to care for each Federal prison inmate. That's wrong. I will push for IHS funding increases so that the federal government provides the health care it promised to American Indians years ago.

Gaming - Casinos on Indian land in Wisconsin are an important source of income for the tribes and the state. I will work to ensure that the rights of tribes to run regulated casinos are not infringed upon.

Nancy Nusbaum: 8th Congressional District

"I value the tribal communities as sovereign partners and look forward to working with the tribal communities as a Congresswoman for all the people in this great district."

Nancy Nusbaum has a proven history of working with the Tribes of Wisconsin to ensure that the needs of the community are met. Nancy knows first hand that Tribes are Sovereign Nations and Economic Partners who bring jobs an development to local communities.

As Mayor of De Pere and County Executive of Brown County, Nancy Nusbaum supported Tribal Sovereignty by:

Working with the local Tribal government to ensure that services were available for all members of the community

1. Crafting the first cooperative service agreements in this area.
2. Successfully negotiating with local tribes and working out practical, local, solutions that were good for Tribes AND local communities.
3. Supported tribal gaming as a vital part of the Economy, pointing to the Oneida Casino's large impact on the Brown County's economy in terms of jobs, tax base, and as a tourism destination. The headline in the Wisconsin State Journal read: "Nusbaum: Casino is Vital to Economy" (Wisconsin State Journal, 7/25/1996; the Ojibwe News, 7/26/1996)

As the Congresswoman for the 8th District, Nancy Nusbaum will continue to support Tribal Sovereignty by:

$ Working with other Representatives to turn back the federal budget cuts that have decreased tribal members access to quality health-care.
$ To ensure that the federal government pays as much for health-care on reservations here in Wisconsin as it does in other states.
$ Working to bring economic development to tribal communities as well as surrounding areas through collaboration.
$ Working with other Representatives to increase overall federal aid to Native American Reservations for better housing, educational opportunities, and environmental protection.
$ Working to increase law enforcement to stop the devastating impact of methamphetamine on both tribal and non-tribal communities and increase community health services to fight this epidemic.
$ Consulting with Wisconsin's Tribal Leaders to ensure federal obligations for health care, housing, and educational opportunities for Native Americans in Northeast Wisconsin are met.

Representative Terri McCormick: Candidate for U.S. Congress

Overview

President George H.W. Bush stated that a government-to-government relationship between the American Indian tribes and federal government was "the cornerstone of [his] Administration's policy of fostering tribal self-government and self-determination."

The Native American Tribes of Wisconsin are an integral part of Wisconsin's rich cultural heritage. As the first inhabitants of this land, the contributions of Native American peoples are evident throughout Wisconsin. As we continue to move forward in the 21st Century, it is vital that we work to foster partnerships between state and tribal governments that advance the mutual best interests of all Wisconsinites.

In the 2005-2006 session of the Wisconsin Legislature, 14 separate bills were introduced by either the Legislative Council, or the Chair of the Special Committee on Inter- Tribal Relations, Rep. Terry Musser. I have cosponsored to and helped to write most of these bills. Unfortunately, all 14 of these bills would seek to further Native American Interests and foster greater cooperation between the state and tribal governments. To date, not one of these bills has reached the full Assembly for a vote. In my estimation this is inexcusable and irresponsible.

To this end, I will continue to strive to seek innovative solutions to problems that are of mutual concern to both of my constituencies.

Sovereignty

Article I, section 8, of the U.S. Constitution gives Congress the power "to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes," thus recognizing American Indian tribes and bands as separate and independent political communities within the territorial boundaries of the United States.

The U.S. Supreme Court has interpreted this provision of the Constitution as recognizing the sovereignty of American Indian tribes and bands by classifying treaties between the United States and American Indian tribes as part of the "supreme law of the land," and by establishing Indian affairs as a unique are of Federal concern.

Past statutory language and court precedent clearly define Native American tribes as Sovereign

Education

College of the Menominee Nation back to school solutions for busy people

Think another certificate or degree is out of reach? Too busy for a training program? Here's how students and career coaching clients squeezed higher education into their overloaded schedules—and graduated to a better life!

We all know we get ahead faster at work when we receive special training or certification. However, it's too easy to set the notion aside when you consider juggling a job, kids, and college. Housework and homework? Are you kidding?! Well, believe it or not, you can find a way to go back to school. Here's how busy professionals did it.

One busy mom stole a few hours on the high school bleachers while her daughter practiced cheerleading and her son practiced football. Hiding out on a quiet spot away from socializing parents, chatty students, and hard-driving coaches, she dove into her textbooks diligently. While waiting in lines at the stores or attending medical or dental appointments, she studied class notes she placed on note cards. She also audio-taped lectures and listened to them while driving and/or exercising. During her academic semesters, her employer allowed her to keep a lighter work schedule. She went from 40 to 28 hours a week. Some companies even provide a stipend for the lost income as well as reimbursement for tuition. Supporting her during this difficult time, her husband organized the kids in the evenings and entertained them on weekends, when she was at work. This gave her some quiet time to study. Her children gave her the motivation and encouragement necessary to maintain her stamina. For example, whenever she expressed fear or doubt regarding tests or grades, her kids would reply, "We know you can do it, Mom. Go for it!"

Another full-time client whose spouse worked nights decided he didn't need to rush to get his degree. He took only one or two classes at a time. In the interest of making more money, he set a goal to obtain professional certification. He had a plan. He just needed the persistence and determination to stick with it. He discovered that many programs were available online or through distance learning such as teleconferencing or ITV. These options eliminated a time-consuming commute. After working a first shift, he logged on for a live chat with a teacher and fellow students or downloaded a CD of a lecture. The online courses were feasible for him because he could mow the lawn or shovel the snow, eat dinner, and speak to his wife and kids before "attending" class. He had to make many sacrifices such as giving up golf, sleeping an hour less each night, and putting off his work-outs until 6 AM on Wednesdays and Saturdays. However, he reminded himself that these sacrifices were temporary. On days when it all seemed too much, he focused on the next break. During those breaks, he rewarded himself with personal indulgences. A steak dinner, a golf outing, or a mini-excursion with his wife helped maintain his energy level. And, after he graduates next year, he plans to get back on the golf league.

A single mother of two teens didn't think she had the option of going back to school. After a full day of face-paced demanding work and a long list of chores, she always felt exhausted. How was she going to sit in a class or read a textbook on top of all of that? Because time was

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Busy Students

Computers classes at OCEC

By Bob O'Donnell
CEC Computer Instructor

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced its schedule of computer classes for September. Classes are free for tribal members and employees, and held at the Center's location at 2632 S. Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced computer software training in Microsoft, Corel and Adobe applications, the Community Education Center also offers classes for those who are new to computers and would like to learn more about how to use computers at home or work.

Among the classes to be offered are"Computer for Beginners" which is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 5. This three-session class provides those who have little or no prior computer experience with a basic understanding of how to use computers.

A class on improving typing and keyboard skills using Mavis Beacon software will begin on Monday, September 18. Those wishing to improving their typing skills or speed can participate in the class or work at their own pace to learn the basics of typing and computer keyboards.

The Center will also offer a class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows XP" beginning on Monday, September 11. A two-hour "Introduction to Microsoft Internet Explorer" class is schedule for Thursday, September 14. The class provides students with a basic understanding of how to use to navigate the Internet, and how to find information using search engines.

There will also be an "Introduction to Digital Cameras" class on September 28. For those looking to learn word processing for home or work, an introductory class on Corel WordPerfect will begin on Tuesday, September 5. There will be an introductory class on Microsoft Word beginning on Monday, September 25. Both classes provide students with an understanding of the basics of using a computer typing letters, reports, etc.

Those who would like to learn how to use computer spreadsheets can attend an introductory class on Microsoft Excel starting on Tuesday, September 5, or a class on Corel Quattro Pro beginning on Wednesday, September 6. An eight-week class on QuickBooks accounting software will begin on Thursday, August 31.

Also in September, the Community Education Center will be offering classes on Adobe Photoshop, Microsoft PowerPoint, Corel Presentations, Microsoft Access, Microsoft Publisher, and Microsoft FrontPage. In addition to classes, one-on-one training and assistance is also available by appointment during regular business hours.

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center is open Monday thru Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information on computer classes, training or assistance, contact the Center at **496-7860.**

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everything else will follow. And if we get it wrong, nothing else will matter.

We must invest in our children's education and their future. I have just released the Kagen Education Policy, which is being supported across the District by experienced educators and administration officials. It is located online at: http://www.kagen4congress.com/kageneducationpolicy.html

Economic Progress and Gaming

The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA) established a thorough system of regulation for the Indian gaming industry. It has delivered the opportunity for some Sovereign Nations to rebuild their communities through self-reliance, and yet gaming has not met all of the The successes of gaming are undeniable, and have been shared with local cities and towns who enjoy the entertainment-based revenues, jobs, and associated services.

As your Congressman, I will seek to create micro-economic regions for small business development, housing, and hopefully, retirement residences, but not at the expense of harming the environment.

Energy, Environment, and Conservation

Energy

The Kagen Energy Policy can be seen on the Kagen 4 Congress website at: http://www.kagen4congress.com/kagenenergypolicy.html

Like the Oneida Solar Energy Project, the Kagen Energy Policy seeks to end our dependence on fossil fuels, foreign sources of energy, and energy efficiency, while investing in renewable resources such as wind, solar, and bio-fuels. As your Congressman, you may rely on me as an advocate for progress. I agree with the ideas of installing solar hot water heaters and photo - voltaic units in tribal members homes, and conducting energy audits on tribal member homes and official tribal building facilities.

We must become an energy independent nation even as we protect our environment and promote conservation.

Environment

Who is more interested in the defending the natural environment, a city person or a country dweller? I believe the Indian Tribes can lead the way forward for all people, based upon their cherished cultural values of being in harmony with the living world.

"Indian time" is measured in daylight and seven generations forward. It is time for "outsiders" to get the message.

In 2005, I received an EPA award for protecting children form environmental risks. My deeds are real. (http://www.kagen4congress.com/aboutdrkagen.html)

I have also been studying the air and water for 25 years as a medical scientist, and will put that experience to good use in Washington for everyone. With regard to water and air quality, determinations of quality should be made by local sovereign nations in cooperation with surrounding communities. In the case of water quality, clean, clear and toxin-free wins.

Biological monitoring and regulatory compliance investigations should also be determined and established by sovereign tribes, again in cooperation with local communities. Wetland management programs can be developed in the same fashion.

Community indoor air quality efforts should be supported, and should focus upon education, specific complaint investigations, testing of carbon monoxide and radon.

I agree with former Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black when he said, "Sir, your freedom to swing ends where the other man's chin begins." I believe the same holds for pollution. China has polluted our Wisconsin waterways – 42% of the mercury in our fish and in our water came from the burning of dirty coal in China. Their "freedom" to pollute their air ends where our lungs and waterways begin. China chose economic development over environmental protection – at a cost we are all have to pay.

By working together, we will be able to stand against further desecration of our environment.

Conservation

I agree that sovereign nations must control, create and/or restore their urban and natural forests, sustain community forests, wildlife areas, and fisheries, and that they may seek federal assistance to do so. Aldo Leopold, a Wisconsin conservation hero of mine said it best:

"We urge that two concepts, heretofore largely ignored, be built into the national program of conservation. The first is that the average citizen, especially the landowner, has an obligation to manage his land in the interest of the community, as well as in his own interest. The fallacious doctrine that the government must subsidize all conservation not immediately profitable for the private landowner will ultimately bankrupt the treasury, or the land, or both. The nation needs and has a right to expect, the private landowner to use his land with foresight, skill, and regard for the future. The second concept is that the health of the land as a whole, rather than the supply of its constituent "resources," is what needs conserving. Land, like other things, has the capacity for self-renewal (i.e. for permanent productivity) only when its natural parts are present, and functional. It is a dangerous fallacy to assume that we are free to discard or change any part of the land we do not find "useful" (such as flood plains, marshes, and wild floras, and faunas). Too violent modification of the natural order has repeatedly disorganized the land's capacity for self-renewal. Floods, erosion, dust-bowls, and pests are not only evils in themselves, but symptoms of such disorganization. Conservation education does not, as yet, deal with these basic concepts of harmony between land-use and land-health. It must do so if we are able to achieve a stable land-economy."

A good leader, after having worked with the land to raise a family and educate his or her children, leaves the land better than when he or she found it.

Security and Integrity

Public integrity is at its lowest point since the impeachment of President Nixon. We must restore confidence in our ability to govern ourselves, and it begins by electing honest individuals who cannot be bought.

I have released the Kagen Public Integrity Policy recently at: http://www.kagen4congress.com/NEWS/pdf%20policies/Kagen%20Public%20Integrity.pdf

Public Security depends not only on having the strength to defend against an attacking enemy, but also, and just as importantly, on having a vibrant economy and growing middle-class.

Strengthening the middle-class, therefore, is fundamental to protecting our way of life – as is eliminating the continued carbon dioxide emissions that fuel the global warming process. I have posted my approach on we can best accomplish this at: http://www.kagen4congress.com/kagensecuritypolicy.html

Join me in this battle to build a more secure nation for all of us.

Current Legislation

If we do not educate the next generation, we have all failed, miserably.

The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act reads in part that: "The Congress declares that a major national goal of the United States is to provide the quantity and quality of educational services and opportunities which will permit Indian children to compete and excel in the life areas of their choice, and to achieve the measure of self-determination essential to their social and economic well-being…"

No Child Left Behind is an unfunded mandate, which has mangled public education to the degree of desperation. I will work hard to fix it and fully fund it, while funding educational needs of Indian children as well.

Thank you for allowing me to listen to your thoughts and ideas, and for allowing me the opportunity to present my hopes for our collective future. I appreciate your consideration.

Join me in our efforts to build a better nation for everyone, right here and right now.

Steve Kagen, M.D. August 21, 2006

Youth gain valuable work experience job training

Submitted by Sandi Skenadore
Oneida Job Training Program

The Oneida Job Training Program is taking applications for the Youth Work Experience Program. Limited work slots are available for this introduction to the world of work. The program includes work experience, tutoring, and career orientation. The youth will be paid minimum wage of $5.90 hr, and are eligible to work a maximum of 10 hours a week.

Requirements for the program are:

*Youth ages 14 - 21 years who are attending school, or returning to school full-time, and
*Enrolled with a federally recognized Tribe, member of an Alaskan village or Hawaiian Native, and
*30 -day resident of our service area, and
*Meet federal low-income family guidelines, receive MA, WIA, TANF, food stamps, SS or SSI, or
*Medically-diagnosed disability (cognitive, emotional or physical) which includes ADD, ADHD, LD, and ED, or.
*Youth living out-of-home through a court-ordered placement.

To obtain an application contact Sandi Skenadore at 490-3789, sskenado@oneidanation.org or Patricia Summers at 490-3796, psummers@oneidanation.org

The deadline to apply is Wednesday, September 6th, 2006. All names will

be entered into a drawing and youth will be contacted for employment in

the order their name is drawn.

Silver Lake College has informational sessions

Submitted by Kristin Ray Jane Bishop
Enrollment Management and Marketing Enrollment Management and Marketing

(Manitowoc, Wis.) — Thinking about going back to college? Come to an information session and find out how you can get your degree in as little as two and a half years.

A Silver Lake College representative will be available every second and fourth Thursday of each month at the Oneida Community Education Center in Green Bay for a series of information sessions aimed at answering questions about the college. The next installments of the series will take place on September 14 and September 28 from 5:30 – 6:30 PM.

Topics will include not only the more than two dozen undergraduate majors leading to a bachelor's degree, but also the four graduate level programs, adult accelerated programs, teacher certification and licensure offerings, on and off campus delivery options, and financial aid availability.

"This is a chance for prospective students to have one-on-one interaction with a knowledgeable counselor to find out more about the College's programs and offerings," according to Dr. George Grinde Vice President and Academic Dean at SLC.

Register online for a session near you at **www.sl.edu.** If you are unable to attend and would like more information on the program offerings at Silver Lake College, contact the SLC Admissions Office at **2406 S. Alverno Rd., Manitowoc, WI 54220. Call 920/686-6175** or **1/800-236-4SLC, ext. 175. Email admslc@silver.sl.edu**

Good News

Congratulations

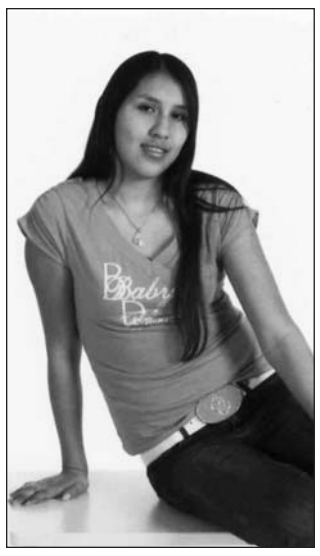
Maria & Jazz
on your recent Engagement!!
Maria Stevens & Raymond "Jazz" Parker
Good Luck and Happy times to come!



We Love You, From your Wisconsin Family!!!

Happy 16 Birthday

Anastasia Stevens
Happy Sweet 16 & Golden Birthday



Love Grandma Marj and families

Congratulations

Ernie III & Stephanie
on your recent marriage!!!
May you have years of happiness
Mr. & Mrs. Ernie Stevens III



We love you, The Stevens Bunch

Happy Birthday

To my #1 Grandson
Paul Bad Horse Stevens



Love, Grandma Marj

Congratulations

Drill Sergeant James Brocker
on your Graduation from the Wisconsin Military Academy in Fort Mc Coy Wisconsin.
We are very proud of you!



Love, Mom, Crystal, Charlie, Justine, Jadynn and Becky

New Arrivals

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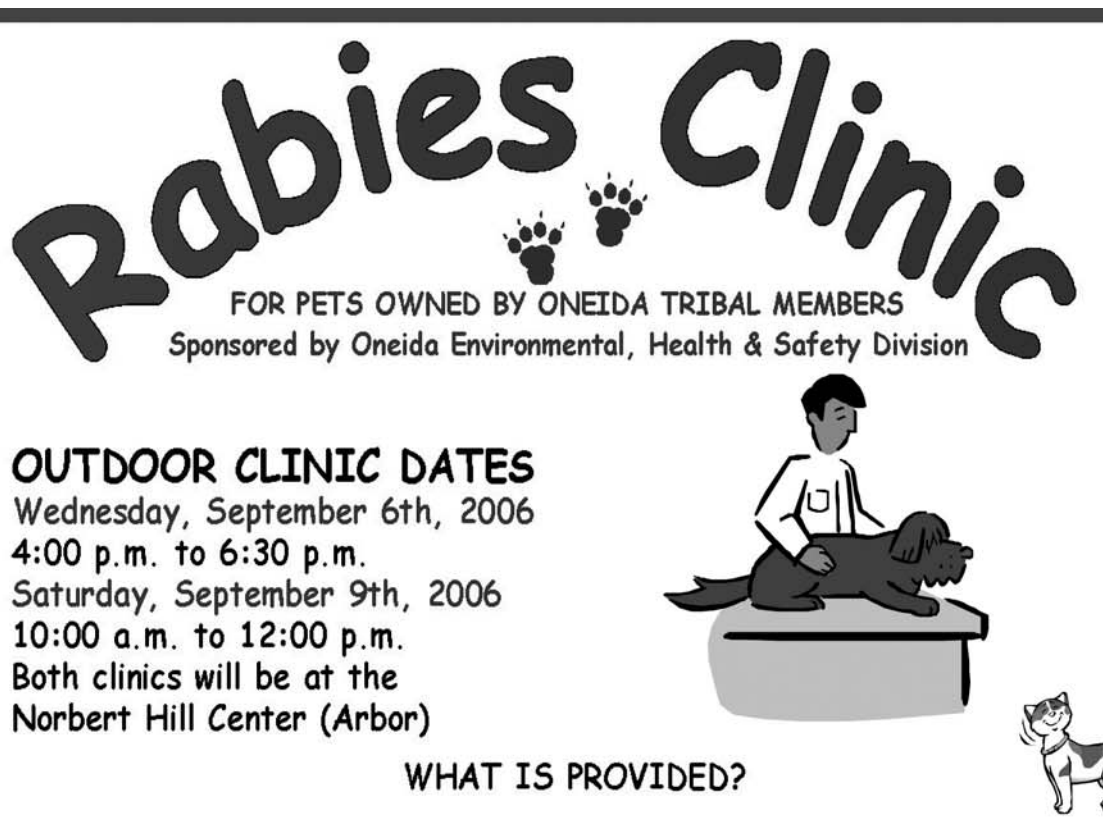
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such a precious commodity in her life, she researched several options. She found that her employer makes higher education feasible by bringing college to work. Professors taught right on the company's campus. But, after losing her job to a corporate merger, she became unemployed. This was a huge set-back … until she discovered that, as a displaced worker, she qualified for federal aid (up to $12,000) toward a two-year course of study under the Trade Readjustment Act (TRA) or up to $3,000 under Workforce Investment Act (WIA). With this government assistance and student loans eliminating some economic barriers, she still had to break down the psychological ones. She was scared. Going back to school after 20 years, she feared she would be the oldest in class, that she might not have the skills to succeed, and that she wasn't sharp enough or strong enough to handle it. She also felt the pressure to spend quality time with her daughter and son.

But, now six months into school, she is comfortable and getting A's and B's (previously, in high school, she only received an A or B in phy ed or art). Although, at 38, she was the oldest in class, the younger students actually made her feel younger. But, how was she going to cope with the guilt of having to spend less time with her teens and more time studying? First, she arranged to have the kids stay with their father when she was in class. Secondly, we are speaking of teens here. They were so focused on friends, sports, and music that they hardly noticed mom was preoccupied. They repeatedly reminded her that the guilt was hers and that they were behind her, supporting her 100%. Above all, she gained a lot of pride in her academic accomplishments. The knowledge and self-confidence she gained from her degree not only earned her a promotion. It also caused people to take her more seriously at work.

If you doubt you could go back to school, you will do it because you have to—to increase your income, to make yourself more marketable to current or future employers, to move up the career ladder, and to enhance your resume. The biggest obstacle to overcome may be the belief that you're not capable of being more than you are or doing more than you do now. But, what employers want is someone willing to take a risk and able to embrace change. You need to learn more about your trade and improve your credentials. The way to show your best self, no matter what your job situation, is to market yourself as the brand You, Inc. Think of yourself as the CEO of your own company. As such, you're ultimately responsible for how the company (You, Inc.) does.

So, if you're feeling stuck in your career, go back to the books. As a career coach, I help individuals identify their goals, strengths, values, and interests to ensure that they find an excellent course of study to fit their chosen career. As Human Services Instructor at the College of Menominee Nation, I help meet the needs of busy working students in the areas of social work, AODA counseling, and child/family services. Other excellent programs are available at the college. Realizing that these dedicated students have professional, home, and family responsibilities, we offer classes on evenings and on two different campuses—Keshena and Green Bay. Articulation agreements with area colleges ease credit transfers so that students with an associate degree from us are generally one-third of the way toward a bachelor's degree at UWGB or UW-Oshkosh. Classes are also offered in ITV format. This means that, if the proper technology exists, we can broadcast classes directly to you!

The College of Menominee Nation has a two-year certificate program that trains students to be alcohol and other drug abuse (AODA) Counselors. Once they complete the program, students have the classroom hours and on-the-job training required to be registered AODA counselors. We help students prepare for the written Elements of Substance Abuse Counseling exam and help them pass their case presentation interview exam, both requirements of the Wisconsin Certification Board. Because it engages students in experiential learning activities and explores evidence-based best practices in the field, the program is fun and prepares its students well.

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Oneida Pow Wow Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
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-May be required to perform supervisory duties in regard to the Pow Wow

Board Vacancies

Oneida Library Board:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
-Shall serve a three (3) year term
-Must be on the official roll of the Oneida Nation of Indians of Wisconsin and eligible to vote
-Shall be a patron of the Oneida Community Library who is on the official patron list of the Oneida Community Library
-Shall, as part of the board, monitor and advise programs, services and acquisitions of the print and non-print materials provided to library clientele.

Board Vacancies

Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee:
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-Must be a member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin who have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United Sates of America Honorable Service.
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2. Shall be a citizen of good standing
3. Shall serve the remainder of term ending November 2008

Oneida Child Protective Board
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
- Any tribal member who is on the roll of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin
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- Must reside in Brown or Outagamie county
- Shall serve a (4) four year term.
- Must have experience or education in one of the following areas:
a. Employment related to child protection matters
b. Foster parenting experience
c. Guardian Ad Litem experience
d. High School Diploma/ GED, an individual over the age 50 is exempt from this requirements
e. Kinship/family, care experience i.e. grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and elders
f. Previous Oneida Child Protective Board experience
g. Post Secondary Training preferred

Board Vacancies

All individual must obtain and file a complete application with the Tribal Secretary's Office
The Tribal Secretary's Office shall forward copies of all applications under consideration to the Oneida Child Protective Board. Within fifteen days, the Oneida Child Protective Board shall return all applications and submit the name of a candidate whom they recommend. The candidates' name will be submitted, along with all other names of qualified applicants, to the Oneida Business Committee for final selection and approval in accordance with the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions.

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Qualifications:
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-Shall serve a term of 3 years
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The Oneida Nation Arts Board shall act in an advisory capacity which maintains a cooperative and communicative relationship with program staff and upper management.

Deadline date for receipt of applications of September 4, 2006.

Please drop off applications at Oneida Business Committee temporary location at the OLC Building, 2640 West Point Rd, Green Bay. The applications may also be inter-officed or mailed to:
Oneida Business Committee
Attn: Boards, Committees & Commissions
P.O. Box 365
Oneida WI 54115
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Employment opportunities

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ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION
Notice of Per Capita Attachment Claims Filed
Re: Child Support Agency(s) vs Various Individuals
A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by child support agency(s) for interception and attachment of per capita payments to satisfy outstanding orders for payment of Oneida tribal debt, child support to the custodial parent and the state of Wisconsin.
Kenneth J. Ackley, Richard Allan Cornelius, David A. Doxtater, Tracy Lu Doxtator, Kim A. Skenandore, Julius Summers Jr., Edwin G. Wallenfang, Gordon R. Williams, Michael R. Yealey
For specific questions about this claim, settlement or payment arrangements prior to September 15th, please contact the appropriate child support agency or Diana Westcott at the Oneida Tribe Accounting Office at 920-490-3500. If you have questions on the process, feel free to contact Oneida Appeals Commission office at (920) 497-5800

ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION
Original Hearing Body Notice of Judgements
Re: Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
vs
Various Individuals
A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by the Oneida Tribe for judgement against them. Notices were returned by U.S. Post Office as unclaimed, unknown or no forwarding address.
6-11-06: Smith, Jay D.; Newbanks, Katheryn; Koltz, Sara; Powless, Richard; Cornelius, Richard; Doxtator, Ruth; Metoxen, Celisha; Mills, Karen; Stevens, Kelly & Shelly; Doxtator, Tracy; Hammer, Sandra; Winkler, Sara; Hill, Michelle; Doxtator, Janine; King, Jeremy; Hill, Margarita; Skenandore, Keith
Hearings were held on the date stated, for all parties listed, at the Commission office; located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite # 1; 3759 W. Mason St.; Oneida WI 54155
For specific questions about this judgement, settlement or payment arrangements, please contact Diana Westcott, Accounting Department at (920) 490-3556. If you have questions on the process, feel free to contact the Clerk or Administrator, Oneida Appeals Commission office at (920) 497-5800

Public Comment Period

The Oneida Environmental, Health and Safety Division is in the process of finalizing a Nonpoint Source Assessment Report and the Nonpoint Source Management Program (collectively called NPS Plan). We have initiated a 30-day Public Notice period that begins August 23, 2006 and ends on September 21, 2006. **A public meeting will be held September 7, 6:00 p.m. at Ridgeview Plaza, suite 4 to give an overview of the NPS Plan and share comments..**
The Division intends to submit the NPS Plan to U.S. EPA and the Oneida Business Committee for approval after responding to all comments received during the public comment period. Once approved, Oneida will be eligible to apply for Clean Water Act Section 319 funding to implement projects related to nonpoint source pollution.
Copies of the NPS Plan are available for review at the Oneida Nation Library, 201 Elm St., Oneida, WI 54155 and Ridgeview Plaza, Suite 5, 3759 W. Mason St., Oneida, WI 54155, or may be requested from Melissa Moren, Water Resources Specialist, Oneida Environmental Quality Department, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155. Written comments may be mailed to the afore mentioned address and must be postmarked by September 21, 2006.
If you have any questions or comments, Michael Finney, Eco-Service Director, can be reached at (920) 496-5349, or Email: mfinney@oneidanation.org

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Antone named Emergency Management Director



Marty Antone

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

As a result of September 11, 2001 President Bush had ordered homeland security to have a National Incident Management System. It will be mandatory for every agency and every county to have an emergency plan in place so that everything works with the big plan that the federal government has in place

On September 11, 2006 Martin Antone began his role as the Oneida Emergency Management Director and became a part of a bigger picture of the Volunteers Emergency Management Committee. A lot of long hours, short and long term goals, the whole development of the emergency management plan was put in place by the committee.

"Dan King, Safety Officer, took on huge responsibilities for coordinating and facilitating when there wasn't an Emergency Team Director to be able to do all this," said Antone.

Along with many other volunteers on the Emergency Management Committee the Emergency Management Director position was a little piece of that puzzle that had to be put in place in order to continue the endeavor of the safety of the Nation.

Antone will be responsible for establishing safety plans, the Oneida Emergency Response Plan, training, coor-

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4-ever engraved in history





Kali photos/Steven J Gandy
The monument dedicated to Brett Favre (above) was unveiled on September 1st . Oneida Chairman Gerald Danforth (right) speaks to the crowd that gathered for the Walk of Legends inaugural unveiling.

By Steven J. Gandy
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Number 4, Brett Favre, will be enshrined for the next 500 years thanks to the first of many Walk of Legends monuments to be erected in Ashwaubenon.

The Oneida Nation has and will continue to co-sponsor the Walk of Legends monuments dedicated to remembering the greatest players in Green Bay Packers History.

The first of the monuments was unveiled on Friday September 1st at its permanent home in front of the Brett Favre Steakhouse. The monument stands over ten feet tall and is adorned on top with a number 4 almost as big as Favre's accomplishments as a Green Bay Packer. The front is etched with Favre's likeness and the sides are engraved with messages from the Oneida Nation which explain the tribes value of the Seven Generations Philosophy and their commitment to family values.

On hand for the big unveiling were many persons involved with the construction, designing and planning of the monument.

Sandi Campbell, the originator of the Walk of Legends, worked long and hard with various local governments, property owners and artists to develop the Walk of Legends.

The designing artist for the Walk is Corrie Campbell. She is a graduate of Lawrence University and has done work for a variety of professional sports teams including the Chicago Bears and the Boston Red Sox.

Also in attendance were Oneida Chairman, Gerald Danforth and Oneida Communications Director Bobbi Webster.

As far as the next in the series of monuments, Webster said, "They are planning on breaking ground in the next week or so and the monument will be about the Oneida Nation players in the first era of Green Bay football, Tom Skenandore, Jonas Metoxen, Martin Wheelock, and Wilson Charles."

Mike Overman, Director of the Marketing Department said, "Future time-lines may need some flexibility as things may come up regarding materials, property placement issues regarding jurisdictions such as Brown County, Green Bay, Ashwaubenon and other events taking place in the entertainment district around the same time frames."

Special Election results

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The loose ends of the August 26th Special Election have all been tied.

A manual recount held August 30th found Carolyn Miller to be the winner of a seat on the Land Commission with 143 votes - beating out Lisa Summers by one vote.

Julie Barton accepted the position on the Gaming Commission, turning down the seat she won on the Appeals Commission. The bylaws of the Appeals Commission state that members cannot serve on any other boards.

With Barton stepping aside, Gary Jourdan wins the seat with 137 votes.

The oath of office will be administered ???? in the Business Committee Conference Room at ????.

A year later, 1,500 Houma Indians still unaccounted for

RACELAND, La. (AP) ~ Hurricanes Katrina and Rita scattered 8,000 members of the United Houma Nation. Tribal Chief Brenda Dardar Robichaux is still searching for 1,500 of them - more than 8 percent of her tribe's 18,000 members.

During the college spring break, as many as 80 volunteers at a time were camped out in her yard while helping the tribe. Robichaux sent out 10 search teams daily with lists of names, addresses, and supplies, - to find more of her people.

"It's not like you could call someone," said Robichaux, 47. "Every day they would leave with their supplies in hand. ... We're still finding them."

In trying to track down tribal members by going to their last known addresses, "we're finding totally destroyed houses, but not where they relocated to," Robichaux said.

Her people are spread across South Louisiana. The southeast half of the state was hit by Hurricane Katrina on Aug. 29, and the southwest by Hurricane Rita on Sept. 24.

Lacking confidence in the federal government, she turned to the Red Cross and American Indian Web sites, media outlets and organizations.

Before long, trailers bearing food, clothing and furniture showed up at her home in Raceland. The Red Cross

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Departments collaborate to create jobs for unskilled workers

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

Have you noticed the nice refreshing looks of the Elderly Complex, the Oneida Police Department or the Language and Culture Building located by the pond on County FF? If not take notice. There are a group of young men who have been working on cleaning, and re-staining these buildings to give them their bright new look. Through a collaborative effort a number of Tribal departments have been able to address one of the untapped labor work force within the community. They are Native Americans who for various reasons cannot obtain employment. Some are unskilled labor workers, individuals with no driver's licenses, backgrounds that restrict them from working in certain locations, no college or high school degree and little or no experience.

Applicants fill out an employee position questionnaire justification form. The questionnaire is based on an individual who is a tradesman or interested in learning a trade rather than a traditional college student intern.

Once hired, they will complete a current process questionnaire and a final questionnaire as to what kinds of things they have learned, benefited from and hope to accomplish as part of the labor work force within the department.

Seven individuals were selected and hired as Limited Term Employees by the Department of Public Works (DPW). their job title is Skilled Trades Trainees. Their current project includes the power washing, mortaring, chinking, and staining the old log homes reconstructed at the Language and Culture Program.

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Kali photo/Cathy Delgado
Skilled Trades Trainee mounts slats on the side of the 80 plus year old log house at the Culture and Language site.

Local

Summer demand empties Pantry



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Shelves that are normally full of food are now running empty. Gary Smith, Oneida Pantry Emergency Network Coordinator, moves what food is left on the shelves. Shown above, the pantry has a pallet and a half of Macaroni & Cheese and canned vegetables and about six cases of tomato soup.

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Pantry is in desperate need of donations. The shelves, which should be full, are running empty and the Pantry is having trouble feeding needy families in the area.

The Pantry provides its services to any family living on the Oneida Reservation and to households with at least one Native American member if they are off the reservation.

There are exceptions to the rules according to Gary Smith, Oneida Pantry Emergency Network Coordinator, "We won't ever turn any one away that needs help. We have guidelines and try to stick to them but we are here to help."

As the economy evolves, so do the needs of families and that can alter spending habits.

"I think that when the price of gas was increasing that people had to spend the extra money to get to and from work. That, I think, caused a problem because people couldn't afford to buy food like they used to and the people who donated couldn't afford to donate like they used to," Smith speculates.

The demand for the Pantry's services has doubled since January.

Smith said, "In January, 2006 we provided 361 bags of food and in August, 2006 we provided 722 bags of food for our clients. The number is getting larger every week, but we are running out of food to feed these families."

The Pantry is looking for food donations consisting of non-perishable items: cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, canned meats, pastas, sauces, macaroni & cheese. Baking products like sugar, flour, cornstarch or dried spices are looked for as well.

There is also in need of hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, dental products, baby products and baby food. Paper towels, bathroom tissue and diapers are all needed.

Although non-perishables are desired, Smith notes, "if you have a garden and an over abundance of vegetables or fruit you want to give away, please donate them to the Oneida Pantry. Fresh fruit and vegetables lets us give healthy food to our clients."

Smith notes that the Oneida Pantry will pick-up any donations that cannot be delivered.

In past years, the Pantry was able to make up for donation shortfalls by purchasing products it needed. However, this year the funding that made that possible in previous years has dried up.

Smith Explains, "Two years ago we got $24,000 from Festival Giving, last year we got $5000. This year they're not sponsoring, so we're left on our own."

The Oneida Nation Tribe of Indians, although it does not typically give the Pantry cash donations, does pay the lease and the utilities for the Oneida Pantry according to Smith.

"They give us more than money, they give us a place to have [the Pantry]. If they help us that's fine, if they don't, well, they have their own things to worry about."

If you would like to Donate food to the Oneida Pantry you can drop off donations at the Nori Damrow Food Distribution Center located at N7360 Water Circle Place. Hours of operation are Monday - Thursday 8am - 4:30pm and Friday from 8am - 12 noon. Please direct all questions to Gary Smith at (920)869-1041.

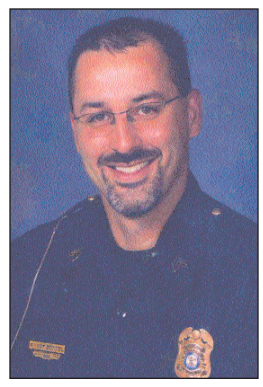
Van Boxtel named interim police chief

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Rich Van Boxtel has stepped in as Interim Police Chief of the Oneida Police Department (OPD).

Van Boxtel has worked for OPD for the last 14 years and has recently graduated from Silver Lake College with a bachelors degree in public service administration and is working on his masters degree.

"I think we need to just keep doing what we have been doing as far as providing the service to the community." said Van Boxtel.



Rich Van Boxtel

Van Boxtel succeeds Greg Powless who was appointed to the interim position after the previous police chief Rick Cornelius was terminated. Until Cornelius exhausts his appeals to his firing, a permanent position cannot be posted.

"There's still some instability with me being an interim chief. I'd like to bring some stability to this and bring some different ways of thinking." said Van Boxtel.

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dinating, facilitating with local agencies and other tribes in that area. He will be meeting with the tribal building managers, and other responders in cases of emergencies.

Antone comes with a background of over 17 years of experience working for the Oneida Police Department. He also is retired from the military where he was active in civil affairs and served in Bosnia and Iraq.

"I draw my strengths from the disasters I'm responding to" said Antone.

The Tribe is about to adopt an ordinance in regards to the Emergency Management Plan that addresses the development and execution of plans for the protection of residents, property, and the environment in an emergency or disaster. Once approved by the Business Committee it will go to a Public Hearing. The Emergency Management Volunteer Committee has reviewed the current ordinance and improvements have been made to it and are still a working progress.

"The volunteer committees motivation is humanity," said Antone. He continued stating, "me sitting here is a goal they have established and it was a huge achievement."

Antone will be establishing immediate tasks such as a phone, cell phone, radio, internet and cordless radio to put in place for his position, then he will be able to start networking with everyone involved.

Antone concludes, "I am honored to serve and be helpful and supportive."



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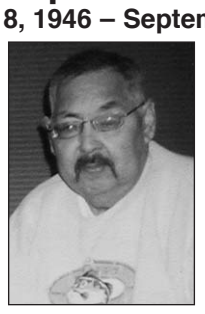
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Local

Passing On

Denny, Ralph "Butchie", Sr.
November 18, 1946 – September 7, 2006



Ralph "Butchie" Denny, Sr., 59, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, September 7, 2006. He was born on November 18, 1946 in Green Bay, WI to the late Alex and Clara (Metoxen) Denny. He retired in 1990 from Metso Mineral, the former Allis Chalmers, in Appleton, WI. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing and watching the Chicago Bears.

He is survived by his wife, Celestine Denny; his children, Dolores "Noodles" Denny, Ralph Denny, Jr., Pam Denny, Roy Denny, Derek Denny, Lynn King, and Sherri King; his sisters and brothers, Beverly "Dolly" Denny, Debbie (Dennis) Johnson, Eric (Amanda) Denny, Brian (Julie) Denny, and Lance (Heather) Denny; 13 grandchildren, one great-grandson; nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Rodney Gene Denny; and one brother, Allen "Rocky" Denny.

Services were held at Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, 358 S. Main St., Seymour, on Sunday, September 10, 2006 with burial at the Oneida Methodist Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.boettcherfuneral-

Doxtator, Angel Marie
October 21, 1968– September 2, 2006



Angel Marie Doxtator, 37, Oneida, went home peacefully to be with the Lord on Saturday, September 2, 2006 at St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay. She was born October 21, 1968 in Green Bay, WI, the daughter of Muriel L. (Green) Skenandore and Steven (Stevie) Danforth and adoptive parents Allen and Mary Jane (Green) Doxtator.

She was a graduate of West DePere High School. Angel enjoyed time spent with her son.

She liked fishing and enjoyed making people laugh. She also loved the outdoors and liked to travel.

She is survived by a special friend Dowe Thomas; their beloved son, Christian "Bubba" Thomas; her father Steven (Stevie) Danforth; adoptive parents Allen and Mary Jane Doxtator, Oneida; mother-in-law Shirley Thomas; five brothers, Wayne G. Skenandore and Gary Wheelock of Oneida; Patrick "Little boy" (Nancy) Skanandore, Jr. of Green Bay; and Dale (Lisa) Skenandore and Dennis (Karen) Skenandore, both of Milwaukee; three sisters, Debra (Leslie Cloud) Skenandore of Green Bay, Sandra (Lyle) Murphy and Gail "Kitty" (Thomas) Webster, both of Oneida, WI; one step-brother, Jody "Daniel" (Terry Lee Cornelius) Doxtator, Clintonville; paternal grandmother Erma D. Danforth of Oneida; Aunt Beatrice King and maternal uncle Allen and Freda Green all of Oneida, WI; and several other aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her mother Muriel L. (Green) Skenandore; grandparents, Clifford and Melinda Doxtator and Joseph and Elsie (Margaret) Green, and William "Billie" Danforth; father-in-law Donald Thomas; uncle and aunties, Harold King, Amos and Daisie Christjohn, and Erna and Donald Wheelock.

Services were held at the Oneida Assembly of God Church, Oneida, on Wednesday, September 6, 2006 at 2 p.m. Reverend Lonnie Johnson officiated with Christian Burial in the parish cemetery.

The Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, Seymour, assisted the family with arrangements.

Skenandore, Keith Wayn
June 10, 1952 – August 31, 2006



Keith Wayn Skenandore, 54, Oneida, passed away unexpectedly Thursday August 31, 2006 at home. He was born June 10, 1952 to the late Joseph and Mary (Parkhurst) Webster in Milwaukee. On May 5, 1990 he married Terry (Moore) Skenandore in Appleton.

Keith is survived by his wife, four children: Elliot, Morning Star, Eltton and Ellery Skenandore, three step-children: Dwaynn Moore, Timothy and Kevin Baird, seven grandchildren, his step-mother as well as step-brothers and sisters and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

His parents and his step-father preceded him in death.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, September 4 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Apostles Church in Oneida. Fr. Dewey Silas officiated with burial in Holy Apostles Cemetery.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME, De Pere assisted the family with arrangements.

Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

Boyiddle, Audrey Elaine
September 1, 2006

Audrey Elaine Boyiddle, infant daughter of Eugene Boyiddle and Autumn Elm, passed away Friday, September 1, 2006 in Bismarck, ND. A graveside service was held at 10:00 AM Saturday, September 9 at Holy Apostles Episcopal Cemetery, Oneida.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME, De Pere assisted the family with arrangements.

Good thoughts of Love, Laughter and Fond Memories of

Angie Powless

on September 12, the day she would have turned 83



Her birthday is celebrated with fond and loving memories from her husband Purcy and her children and their spouses and grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and other extended family members and friends. Her laughter echoes through each one of us and her love is carried with us as well.

Peace and Love and Happy Birthday.

In Loving Memory…

John Powless

who passed on September 12, 2001



In the grey of dusk
Lightening danced ahead
Leaves whispered a
raspy urgency
and

Wind confided in the
Trees
that you were awaiting
Their arrival
and Thunder danced
and Lightening snapped
his fingers quick
touching tips of Trees
Wind slipped through the tinted Leaves
of Autumns windy sleeves

I heard Them coming
I saw Them dance
Thunder, Lightening, and Rain
I felt them talking in my heart
bringing my spirit pain
They spoke to me of your journey
that was soon to be

They came that night
to dance with you
Thunder, Lightening, and Rain
Thunder stomped and
Lightening lit Their path
They reached down and grabbed your hand
and I know just when you left

when Thunder's dance was barely heard
and Lightening left the Sky alone
and
only Rain remained

In Loving Memory...

Martin Doxtator

September 12, 1939 – January 23, 1999

In our Hearts...

We thought of you with Love today,
but that is nothing new.
We thought about you yesterday and
days before that too.

We think of you in silence,
we often speak your name.
Now all we have are memories,
and your picture in a frame.

Your memory is our keepsake with
which we'll never part.
God has you in his keeping;
We have you IN OUR HEARTS.

We miss you so much...
Happy Birthday Husband/Dad
Mom, Marianne, Boyd (Sally), Clark,
Monica, Terry, Gerald (Tonya), Dean,
Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren

Do you have any questions or concerns in regard to the paper? Send us an email at:

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Amerindian Center fighting for funding

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The United Amerindian Center (UAC) in downtown Green Bay is in danger of losing $290,000 in funding from Indian Health Services (IHS).

More than two dozen people attended a meeting in the Native Grounds Community Room to voice their concerns to the UAC board members Tuesday evening, September 5th.

"We have a whole room here of individuals that are saying that we want our center and don't take it away from us," said a woman in attendance.

IHS sent a letter to the board on August 16th stating that would not renew the last year of the five year grant because the former board secretary Tanya Cornelius and former executive director David Webster were not sending board meeting minutes to the IHS center in Bemidji, Minnesota. Webster was removed from his position August 3rd due to breach of contract according to interim executive director Tom Hannon.

The IHS funding covers transportation for non-diabetic people to the Oneida Health Center, AIDS education and some Alcohol and Drug Abuse (AODA) programs.

UAC Board members traveled to Bemidji to attempt to change the IHS's decision. They were able to set up a phone conference held Tuesday, September 12th. The results of that meeting were not available as of press time.

The UAC board made it clear that if the funding was not renewed, the center would still exist.

"I have been part of this organization for 30 years and, no, it will not go under." insisted the current board secretary.

The UAC administers other grants for diabetics, youth activities and so on.

"There would have to be some services knocked back and also staff levels would be reduced as a consequence, but to say that the center would be going away completely, that I can't foresee." said Hannon.

Oneida Elderly Services & Division of Land Management

Present…

Wisconsin Judicare Attorneys
Carolyn Grzelak & Samantha Webb Kading

What: **Will/Power of Attorney presentation**

Date: **September 20th – 22nd**

Where: **Oneida Elderly Services**
2907 S Overland Rd
Oneida WI 54155

Time: **9:00AM – 4:30PM**

These ladies have volunteered to come to Oneida to present on Wills & Power of Attorney (POA) along with offering scheduled appointments to help you prepare your Wills and/or Power of Attorney (POA).
If interested in having your own Will or Power of Attorney (POA) prepared please contact Angela Ortiz at Oneida Elderly Services at 869-2448 to set up an appointment.

Attention

Elders age 55 and older…

2007 – 2008
Tribal Aging Unit Plan
for Older People

Date: September 22
Time: 9 –10 AM
Where: Oneida Senior Center
134 Riverdale Dr. • Oneida WI

Your input is welcome

Business

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

Bear Paw Keepsake owners envision business as 'a conduit for oneida artists'

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Stan and Loretta Webster were making the best of their time after retiring from their careers as a Judicial officer and Oneida Land Management Attorney.

"We were really enjoying retirement and sleeping late and not going to meetings." said Loretta with a laugh.

Then the opportunity to buy Bear Paw Keepsakes from Carolyn Redhail and Elaine Skenandore arose. Within a whirlwind of a week, the Websters were the proud owners of the shop featuring Native American arts and craft work.

Over the last two years, the couple has made a lot of changes to the store. The biggest was moving Bear Paw Keepsakes to 2667 West Mason Street in Green Bay.

"(The location) has given us a lot more visibility and we have a lot more customers that come through, that happen to see us and walk in and visit. And our old customers are finding us." she said.

As they moved away from consignment sales, the store began to reflect their own interests in raised beadwork and fine arts such as painting and sculpture. There is also a display case full of raised beadwork created by Loretta and other Oneida beaders. One wall holds dozens of paintings from Scott Hill and Mary Lee Prescott.



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Loretta and Stan Webster are able to pursue their love of Native American art through their store Bear Paw Keepsakes. The store is located at 2667 West Mason Street in Green Bay near the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College.

"They tell a story, all those paintings. That's interesting, too, to get the Oneida story out there, get the Creation Story, the Three Sisters, the wampum belts." said Loretta.

Stan enjoys talking about the culture and exposing the wider community to the Oneida art scene.

"What I would like to see is our store as like a conduit for Oneida artists." said Stan.

The store also features jewelry, silver work, Iroquois style pottery, clothing and craft supplies such as beads and leather.

Both Stan and Loretta enjoy the freedom of running their own business.

"We make our own decisions. Whether we win or lose over any one decision, it's still ours." said Loretta.

The biggest thrill for them is to buy artwork for the store that they would not have been able to buy for themselves.

"We can still enjoy everything that we have here, even though someday it may sell. That's what we want, really, is for their artwork to get out and for people to make money on their artwork." said Loretta.

Stan believes that it's important that Oneidas open their own businesses in order to keep more money in the community.

"I, myself, encourage anyone who wants to go into business to just go out there and do it. You've got to be able to go take the risk. If you don't take the risk, you'll never know." he said.

Bear Paw Keepsakes is open Monday through Saturday from 10:00am to 6:00pm. Their website is www.bearpawartgallery.com

Cornelius appointed to Seven Generations Board



Photo courtesy of Paula King-Dessart

William "Bill" Cornelius was took the oath of office to serve on the Seven Generations Corporation Board on Wednesday, September 13, 2006. Oneida Business Committee Secretary Patti Hoeft administered the oath.

Part of huge new Gulf oil field may pay no federal royalties

By H. Josef Hebert
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) ~ Oil companies are under pressure to resolve flawed drilling leases that allow them to avoid federal royalty payments, including on oil from a major discovery in the Gulf of Mexico.

The issue stems from a mistake eight years ago that omitted a provision in more than a thousand drilling leases that would have required royalty payments but only if the price of oil went above $36 a barrel.

At the time oil was much cheaper and Congress had allowed the royalty break to spur deep-water exploration.

With oil now costing almost double the trigger level, most of those leases would be subject to royalty payments had the provision not been omitted in leases issued in 1998-99.

Chevron Corp., acknowledged that two of the eight lease areas involved in the new oil discovery it and two other companies announced

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Calendar

September 23rd

West De Pere Phantom Sports Booster Club
WHEN: Saturday, September 23, 2006
PLACE: SC Grand (in the tent) – 7:00 P.M.
1250 Mid Valley Dr., De Pere, WI
The Phantom Sports Booster Club is holding their second annual Casino Night beginning at 7:00PM. Admission is free, with mock gambling, raffles, silent auction, free munchies, and a cash bar. All proceeds go to our athletic programs. Please come and support this very worthwhile event and our Booster Club. FMI, call Greg Smith, CMAA District Activities Director at (920) 338-5214.

October 14

Staber Burr Benefit
WHEN: Saturday, October 14, 2006 • 1 P.M. – 6 P.M.
PLACE: Brown County Golf Course
Come join friends and family of Staber Burr as we gather to support him through his difficult time. Live Auction, Silent Auction, Raffles, Hole-in-One contest with a chance to win $10,000. There will be music, cash bar and complimentary hors d'oreurves.

October 18

Community Meeting on Maple Sugaring
WHEN: October 18, 2006
PLACE: Parish Hall
Meal at 5 PM and 6 PM Photo History, Heifer International Introduction, Cordwood building demo. For more information contact Sylvia at 496-5352

November 4-11

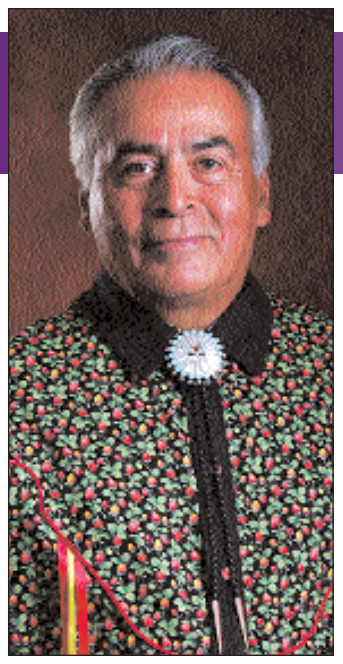
34th Annual Indian Film Festival
WHEN: Nov. 4–11, 2006
PLACE: San Francisco, CA
For more information: **www.aifisf.com**

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there! FMI, please contact: Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

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Legislative Review, Letters



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Chairman's Corner...

Greetings,

Last month I had the pleasure of visiting one of the programs who service our tribal citizens in a most important area, that program is the Oneida Housing Authority. This entity of the tribe is under the direction of the Oneida Housing Authority Board of Directors, who develop and oversee policy decisions which impact the overall safety of the home dwellings. The Oneida Housing Authority also administers the process for tribal citizens to purchase or rent homes within the Oneida reservation. This program however, does much more than provide housing for Oneida.

The Housing Authority program maintains, rehabilitates, purchases and builds homes under the auspices of providing safe, affordable housing for tribal citizens. Additionally, the Housing Authority takes time to get to know the community and neighborhoods through events such as the "Three-Sisters Community Block Party" which was held on Wednesday, August 9th. This event, geared toward residents of the Three-Sisters neighborhood, was an opportunity for those living in the area to get to know each other in a safe, social atmosphere.

To compliment their commitment to interacting with the Oneida community, the Housing Authority also contributes monetary donations to community organizations such as Oneida Little League. It was through their contribution to this important youth organization, that the lights at the Site I ball diamond were able to be purchased. Other tribal departments such as the Oneida Police Department have also cooperatively worked with the Oneida Housing Authority, resulting in the acquisition of a drug canine unit for the Oneida Police Department. This cooperative effort helps to assure our neighborhoods continue to strive toward a drug free environment, and it also contributes to Oneida's overall working relationships with local government, as oftentimes our police experts are called in to assist surrounding communities.

The accomplishments achieved by the Oneida Housing Authority through the building of community relationships can be attributed to the expert staff who work there. Fern Birdsbill, the Executive Director of the Housing Authority, leads a team of staff whom she credits for their programs' successes. Administration includes Jason Johnson, Cindy Kohl, Dana McLester, Lynn Prucha and Karen "KC" McMullen. Other areas of the Housing Authority are Construction, Resident Services and Home Rehabilitation and the staffs are: Jay Fuss, Ken Gerrits, Richard Denn, Kent Brunette, Cale Hacker, Casey Smith, Lisa Vega, Sharon Sarnowski, Julian Cornelius, Laurel Spooner, Shan John, Ron McCall, Kevin John, Kathy Brunette, Murray Jones, Rendell Miller, Dennis Danforth, Erwin Danforth, Butch Summers, Rick Vega, Rick Hawpetos, Bill Jourdan, Kristen John, Mary Jo VanGemert, Isabel Parker, Ricahrd Brzezinski, Linday Corroy and Michelle King.

Finally, as a continuation of getting to know the staff and services offered by housing, there will be an "Open House Tour" held on Wednesday, September 27, 2006 from 11:00am to 1:00pm at one of the new homes located at Tall Feather Way Housing Site on the corner of County Highway H and Ranch Road. I encourage you to attend and see for yourself the outstanding work being done by the Oneida Housing Authority.

Yaw^ko

Gerald Danforth

Treasurer's Report



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

Greetings,

FY 2006 Budget

The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting.

My office presented the 3rd Quarter Treasurer's Report to the Business Committee on August 30th. As of the close of the 3rd Quarter, which is October 2005 through June 2006, the overall organization is performing better than budget. A financial analyst team has been working with the areas that are outside variance guidelines. The areas will continue to submit detailed information in regard to their variances and how they will impact the budget at the end of the fiscal year.

FY2007 Budget

The FY2007 budget process is nearing completion. The FY2007 Budget packet has been approved by the Business Committee to bring forward to General Tribal Council for consideration.

The FY2007 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council review is scheduled for September 16th, 2006 at the Oneida Elementary School. Two community meetings were held on September 12th at the Oneida Police Department, and September 14th at the SEOTS facility in Milwaukee. We appreciate those who attended these meetings.

Balanced Scorecard

The National Balanced Scorecard was approved in April and the next steps are to communicate and receive input from the community. Cascading of the Balanced Scorecard involves the Division, Business Unit and Departments aligning to the National Scorecard. The Business Committee will be one of the first areas to go through the cascading process with the Division areas following shortly after. The Business Committee is scheduled to start this process during a three day retreat scheduled for September 21st - 23rd. We look forward to sharing our scorecard with you after it is completed. We anticipate that the full cascading will not be complete until Fiscal Year 2009. The Balanced Scorecard will allow us to provide more of what GTC is asking for, to include reporting the accomplishments based on the national requirements.

Get out the Vote!

As many of you are aware, elections are once again upon us. It is very important that our citizens and employees of the Oneida Nation encourage one another to take the time to register and go to the polls and vote.

We held a candidate forum on August 31st at the Radisson where people had the opportunity to meet and receive information on candidates position of specific issues such as Sovereignty, Indian Gaming, Taxation, and Land into Trust. I urge everyone to take the time to learn everything you can about each candidate and to make an educated vote in the upcoming election. If you have any questions about the candidates and their responses to the questions at the forum, please contact the Legislative Affairs office at **(920) 869-4388,** or toll free at **1-800-236-2214**.

I hope everyone has had a safe and enjoyable holiday! Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at **(920) 869-4364**, or toll free 1**-800-236-2214.**

Yaw^ko
Mercie L. Danforth

Legislative Update



Councilman
Paul Ninham

Sakoli:

Oneida Living In Balance

The destruction of a people is through it's food supply

Greetings to all Oneida citizens, employees and community members. I would like to use this legislative review to explain a grass roots organization in our community, Oneida Living In Balance (OLB)

Fast, snack and processed foods in today's society has become the norm instead of the exception for most families. Such products have grown into big business, becoming a global institution for it's fast service and ease of clean up, convenient drive-up window, and supersized portions. The nutritional benefits of fast food or the prepared packaged food from the local supermarket comes at a very high threefold price. High retail cost, lack of nutritional intake, and harmful ingredients contained in processed foods, such as salt, fat, sugar and preservatives. The sum of this price is causing obesity in all age groups, earlier and higher occurrences of related disease, and ingrained harmful eating habits which are difficult to change.

American Native health facts are alarming...

* American Indian communities have the highest rates of childhood obesity of any ethnic group in the United States

*Data from our schools indicates that childhood obesity is a public health crisis in Oneida.

*American Indian adult mortality due to cardiovascular disease is highest and diabetes is second highest among American Indians living in the Bemidji Indian Health Service Area comprising the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan.

*American Indians are among the most impoverished of minority groups in America. They experience a disproportionately high incident of diabetes, obesity and cardiovascular disease.

*American Indians rate of Diabetes is about three times of the U.S. population as a whole, approaching 40 to 50 percent in adults.

*Depression is thought to be pervasive within the more than 500 federally recognized tribes that make up the population.

*American Indians have the highest per capita suicide rate - nearly 250% the national average, and nearly 430% the rate among 15 to 24 year-olds.

*By the time an "average person" is 70 they will have spent 10 years watching television, not including computer time and video games. Sedentary passive viewing contributes to obesity and may lead to depression and attention-deficit disorder in children.

To counter the above statistics, Oneida Living In Balance has been developed to explore the benefits of whole foods, foods as medicine, local, organic and indigenous foods, being mindful of the right of the Oneida Nation to define their own policies and strategies for the sustainable production, consumption and distribution of food for the Oneida community.

To achieve this right of self-governance, Oneida Living In Balance core team has been established with a vision to improve the quality of life and health of the Oneida community. This team will work together to increase awareness of the effects of food choices on health and well being and promote healthy lifestyles through organizational policy/procedures and community change, especially in the classroom and day-care programs.

Food programs within the Oneida tribal structure are being changed, incorporating healthier products into all places we serve food as a Nation. Additionally, beginning steps for the development of a Oneida Food Policy is being analyzed, with submission to the legislative process for their review, to standardize food quality, address nutritional value gain, and to provide a realistic common sense approach of food management for the Oneida Tribe.

Obstacles are inherent as this process of change is implemented. Food purchase costs will rise, nutritional awareness training will need to be implemented, preparation locations will need to be revamped, additional or selected vendors need to be acquired and prices renegotiated. Food commodities are an issue due to a history of limited variety, poor nutritional quality and non-indigenous foods. The Oneida Nation School system receives commodities as 80% of students qualify for free or reduced meals.

The Oneida Nation must support this initiative of Oneida Living In Balance, as the core team's focus will be our youth. Our Nation's schools serve as much as two meals per school day plus snack items to our most important asset, our children. Our future is our children. Therefore, nutritional education and practice need to be implemented to assure solid and healthful growth for our children, our Nation's future.

Letters...

Indian Summer...

What more can I say about "Indian Summer" in Milwaukee. Again, I attended Indian Summer. I still wasn't satisfied wit the way it was run - just too many mistakes.

The dance site - lay some carpet or something to help the dancers.

Help the dancers and singers a little bit with cost, especially parking. Dancers, singers and Native vendors should be given a weekend parking pass. Come on, Indian Summer Committee, at least help them with that.

Whoever said dancers and singers are entertainers are wrong. That is our way of life.

Bruce King

My Family Tree

Over the years I have been trying to get some background information regarding my Oneida roots. I am hoping to connect to my heritage with members that are still on or near the reservation. If you have any information please contact me at 262-472-0452 or knwknw@hotmail.com. The following is the background information I have of my Oneida family tree:

Mother-Sharon Walker (maiden Peterson) born 08/04/1947
Sister-Sheila Rhoden
Brother-Gary Petereson
Grandmother-Sylvia Bannach (maiden Cornelius) born 01/11/1927
Brothers-Donald (Pete) and Warren Cornelius
Great Grandmother-Elizabeth Cornelius (maiden Smith) born 01/01/1904, married Fred Cornelius

Hoping our paths will connect.

Kim Nash-Walker

Land Claim

Community Meeting

Wednesday
September 27th 2006

Social Service Bldg.
Green Room Conference Room
2640 West Point Road
Green Bay, WI 54313

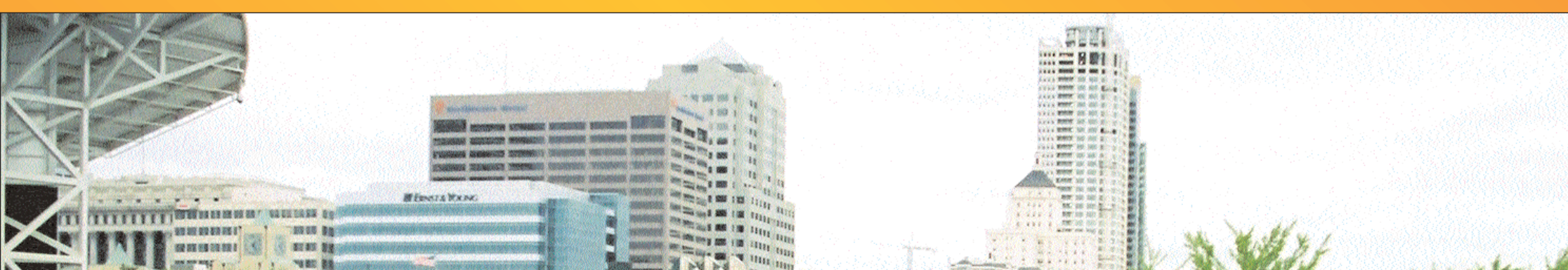
12:00 p.m. Noon

Contact: Kathy Metoxen @ 920-869-4364

~ Light Lunch Provided ~

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20th Annual Indian S



Kali Photos/Steven J Gandy

The 20th anniversary of the Ind
Summer Festival was held
September 8th through the 10th
the Summerfest grounds
Milwaukee.

On hand for the event were a num
of musical performers, dancers,
artisans from different tribes.

There were several musical sta
and pow-wows throughout
grounds during the festival.

There were several Grand Ent
which focused on honoring tribal
erans from different tribes through
Wisconsin.

Indian Summer played host to m





State/National

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nationwide to try to reconnect with Houmas who had fled their ruined homeland.

Because many older members' education was limited, the fliers included the United Houma Nation logo, Robichaux said, "so that even if they couldn't read, they'd know that the tribe was looking for them."

Some relief organizations distributed clothes out of garbage bags. Not Robichaux. She and volunteers cleaned out her grandfather-in-law's general store, which had been closed for 50 years, and arranged the merchandise on its shelves.

"When people saw they could pick stuff off a shelf that was new, everyone was brought to tears, and that included us," she said.

Until she closed her yard to campers at the end of April, Robichaux set up workshops so volunteers could learn about Houma culture. And she cooked for them every night.

"I learned how to cook really big meals, like gumbo and jambalaya and red beans and rice," she said. "It was really good because it was a sense of community for the volunteers."

Robichaux is still at it, with some help. She is especially concerned about helping her fellow Houmas, many of whom depended on fishing for a living.

"My husband says, 'Brenda, you've got to slow down. You're going to hit a brick wall,' but there's no time for that right now," she said. "I don't know when I'll slow down. Being able to hire someone will be a great help, but there's still so much work to be done.

"If you speak to our tribal members, they say, with tears in their eyes, 'We just want to go home.' I will do everything, to the best of my ability, to ensure that people will have everything they need to go home."

This will be especially hard, she said, in lower Jefferson Parish and in St. Bernard and Plaquemines parishes because the infrastructure is still in tatters.

"It'll be a long, long journey," Robichaux said.

Information from: The Times-Picayune

From Page 4A/*Gulf oil*

last week were among those issued in 1998-99 without the royalty threshold.

The new discovery by Chevron, Statoil ASA of Norway and Devon Energy Corp. is believed to be the biggest domestic field since Alaska's Prudhoe Bay 30 years ago and could contain as much as 15 billion barrels of oil.

Chevron in a statement said "the majority of the discovered resource" including the test well is from leases subject to federal royalty payments. Oil found in two other lease blocks, however, could be exempt from lease payments, it said.

Donald Campbell, a Chevron spokesman, said those two lease areas had not yet been drilled and "any conjecture about foregone royalties for (those two blocks) is purely speculative and an academic exercise."

Chevron executives have told members of Congress that they are ready to discuss reworking the leases to resolve the royalty issue.

From Page 1A/*Labor skills acquired through training*

Loretta Metoxen, Tribal Historian said, "some of those old log cabins are from the mid-1800's or early 1900's." The dismantling and rebuilding of the log homes has taken years and is finally getting done.

Lataklokwatha Danforth a 22-year-old family man was born and raised in Oneida. He is one of the young men restoring the 85-plus-year-old log cabins. He has only been employed since June this year and will work through September 2006.

"Its hard work and takes dedication. I feel comfortable asking questions because Greg Matson knows that we are new to this and he explains why things are done the way they are" said Danforth.

His experience has brought him the opportunity to work in a trade's field, meet new people, and sometimes he feels like this is what he would like to do.

"Then my ambition for school takes over for teaching physical education," said Danforth. He has applied to College of Menominee Nation. "I am just waiting to receive my acceptance letter," said Danforth.

Warrington, another community family man, said, " I was stuck at a fast food place working. Then (Sandi Skenandore) and Marj Stevens got together and got me in contact with Jacque Boyle and it took about a month-and-a-half to get hired."

Warrington has worked outdoors with the Conservation Department as part of the Job Training Partnership Act program (JTPA) since he was sixteen years old. He later worked for the Parks and Recreation Department cutting wood, making wood chips, hauling and delivering wood and making picnic tables.



Kali photo/Cathy Delgado

Lataklokwatha Danforth works prepping the interior of the 80 plus year old log home located at the Culture and Language site.

"I learned how to measure and cut wood to build benches" said Warrington. His experience in the current job with DPW will enable him to learn more about masonry, preserving old buildings and the staining process.

The collaborative effort is put together to show how departments within the Tribal structure can work together to benefit the membership in providing experience and training at the same time saving thousands of dollars by employing individuals with the Indian Preference in mind and by making it a priority for contractors to contact the Indian Preference Department and hire Indian labor workers first.

Individuals were recruited through Social Services, Indian Preference Department, Brown County Probation and Parole, Job Training Partnership Act, and the Community Education Center. DPW was active in assigning positions and the Backgrounds Department was responsible for assisting in letting them know where an individual may have employment restrictions.

Brian Doxtator, Assistant to the Human Resources Manager, said, "... that DPW and HRD coordinated on was on background checks." Individuals went through an informal interview because they were hired as Limited Term Employees which mean they could possibly work for up to two years.

"We focus on families which is good, we focus on elders which is good, we focus on skilled laborers, those that have degrees, we're still not there yet with certain groups of people in the community." said Doxtator.

"It cost about $70,000 to employ these individuals," said Doxtator. The outcome is greater than that. The tribe saved money by not hiring outside contractors and employing the unskilled labor workers. Projects took longer because training was going on, but in the long run thousands of dollars were saved and unskilled labor workers were able to obtain some experience.

There's a group of individuals who are dialoguing about the unskilled labor force. They work for the tribe in the different departments such as JTPA program, Indian Preference, Community Education Center, and Department of Public Works. The awareness of providing employment for the untapped labor work force and creating craftsman through experience is one of the discussions that will continue through this group along with discussion about budget parameters, income eligibility and other concerns.

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Oneida Nation Child Support Program

On January 1, 2006, the Oneida Nation received a two-year grant from the Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement to develop a tribal child support program. For the Oneida Nation to be successful at establishing this program there are five major activities that a tribe must address. The Oneida Tribe must establish paternity, establish and modify support obligations, enforce support obligations, and cooperate with other state and tribal child support programs. All of these areas need to be fulfilled in order to receive comprehensive funding.

The Oneida Nation Child Support Program (ONCSP) will be asking tribal youth, parents, grandparents and elders to assist with the development of the child support program to ensure that the services provided reflect the customs, values, and needs of the Oneida Nation. As part of its community outreach efforts, the Oneida Nation Child Support Program (ONCSP) will be mailing a comprehensive survey to Tribal head-of-households. This survey asks parents to share their opinions, concerns, and comments on paternity establishment, support establishment and modification, enforcement of orders, and client services.

To ensure that the ONCSP reflects the values, customs and needs of the Tribe, it is important for tribal members to participate by completing and returning the Head-of Household survey. Also tribal members may complete the survey on the Oneida Nation Intra-Tribal web site or the comprehensive survey for mothers, fathers and other custodians available through the ONCSP Office.

If you need additional information or have questions please contact Lisa Schwartz, ONCSP Program Director, at (920) 490-3766, or Jodi Van Cuyk ONCSP Program Development Specialist at (920) 490-3885 located at 2640 West Point Road, Green Bay, WI 54314, during the business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The Oneida Nation Child Support Program will also be convening focus groups and public hearings. Look for the publication of dates, times and locations for these activities in the Kalihwisaks.

Sports

Serving up wins and losses



Kali Photo/Steven J Gandy

Lauren Mills serves up another point for her team against Wolf River Lutheran (varsity) on September 7th at the Turtle School.

By Steven J Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida girls volleyball team played the Wolf River Lutheran's varsity team on September 7th and won all three matches, 25-14, 25-19, 25-15. The match, which was held at the Turtle School gymnasium, saw the Thunderhawks girls dominate the match with a combination of good serving, passing and hitting.

Although the girls had no problem with Wolf River, they did stumble against Menominee on Monday September 11th at Menominee. They lost all three to the Eagles by scores of: 22-25, 19-25, 23-25.

On Tuesday, September 12th Oneida won the first two games against Stockbridge but lost the last three 22-25,19-25,25-21,25-21,15-10.

Oneida falls to 1-3 on the season.

Oneida Girls Volleyball Schedule

September

19th	Wolf River Lutheran	Away 6pm
21st	Milwaukee Tech	Away 5:30/7pm
25th	Bowler	Away 6/7:30pm

October

3rd	Stockbridge	Away 6/7:30pm
5th	**Lena**	**Home 5:30/7pm**
10th	**Valley Christian**	**Home 5:30/7pm**
14th	Lena T'ment	Away 10am
17th	Regionals	TBA TBA

Thunderhawks win in OT



Kali photo/Steven J Gandy

Nick Cantu #21 (top) returns a punt late in the game to bring the Thunderhawks even with the Menominee Eagles at 20. Oneida would go on to win in overtime. The Oneida Coaches, (bottom from left to right) Mark Ninham, Nathan King, Jermain Delgado and Sonny Martin celebrate the emotional victory with a group hug.

By Steven J Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Thunderhawks had their first win of the season against the Menominee Eagles on Friday September 1st.

The 28-20 overtime victory brought the Thunderhawks back to .500 with a 1-1 record.

Darrell Skenandore, the Thunderhawks quarterback, sustained an injury to his left ankle late in the game but came back in overtime to help seal the victory.

Before Skenandore returned to action, Nick Cantu got the Thunderhawks back on track by returning a punt late in the fourth quarter for a touchdown to tie the game up at 20 all.

The overtime period of a high school football game is decided by whichever team can score the most points in an equal number of possessions from the 10 yard line.

Oneida scored a touchdown on their first overtime possession and capped it off with a two point conversion.

Menominee's chance ended when the Eagles quarterback threw an interception on second down to end the game.

Darrell Skenandore and someone else were awarded game balls by Head Coach Nathan King, although King did say that the whole team was deserving.

The Thunderhawks next home game is on September 15th vs. Gibralter at 7pm.

Send your email to Kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org

Oneida Football Schedule

September

15th	Gibralter	Away 7pm
22nd	St. Mary Central	Home 7pm
29th	Brookfield Academy	Away 7pm

October

6th	Sevastopol	Away 7pm
13th	**Stockbridge***	**Home 7pm**
18th	**Bark River Harris**	**Away 7pm****

* Homecoming
** Played in U.P. at 7pm local time, 6pm central

Choose to move at Rad



Kali Photo/Cathy Delgado

Employees from Gaming were well represented at the "Choose to Move on the Rez" lunch held on Wednesday, September 13 at the Radisson's Wolf Conference Room. Among those who participated in the event were (left - right) Chico Orosco, Susan Betters, Patricia Benson, Lisa Danforth, and Kim Laluvern.

Lacrosse Game

Saturday September 16, 2006
2:15pm behind the N.H.C.
*COME CHEER *COME EAT *COME DANCE

THE OPENING

Through our teachings, we provide an Opening Address to acknowledge all of Creation. We are requesting Fire Keepers. The opening will begin at 2:00pm Fire Keepers will be needed until the social is complete.

LACROSSE

The Lotinishoni refer to Lacrosse as "The Creators Game." Kenneth B. Metoxen and John Teller Sr. will provide opposing teams to play Lacrosse. Kenneth will lead a team from the Oneida Community and John will lead a team from the Menominee Community.

Please bring a dish to pass for the community Potluck.
CAPPS will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and brats.

The O.N.H.S. Students and Oneida Long House Singers will provide Social Songs for the Social Dancing.

Round dance, Friendship Dance, Woman's Dance, Stick Dance, Smoke Dance.

We have reserved the Sonny King Memorial Building (Civic Center), in case of rain.

Blues Band will reunite to honor fellow musician

Fundraiser to benefit children of Chief Skenandore

By Sherrole Benton
Special to Kalihwisaks

The original members of the blues band, Barbie & The Earthshakers, will reunite to honor one of their own, Keith Wayn Skenandore, who died unexpectedly of a massive heart attack. He was affectionately known as, "Chiefy," to his family and as, "Chief," to his friends.

Barbie & The Earthshakers will perform a benefit concert for Chief's children on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2006, at the White Eagle Sports Bar & Grill in Oneida, WI., from 8:00 pm to midnight. Admission is $10.00 dollars. All proceeds go to the "Chief Skenandore's Childrens Benefit Fund," held at the Bay Bank in Green Bay, WI.

Chief was a single parent and had custody of his children. Chief and his wife were separated at the time of his death on Aug. 31, 2006. Chief was recovering from previous heart surgery, and a flare up of a previous knee injury. He returned to work just a few weeks before his death, and was trying to earn enough money to get his 3 youngest children ready for school.

The proceeds from the benefit concert, and other charitable events, will go toward the children's clothing, shoes, school supplies and expenses, and Chief's funeral and medical expenses.


The late Keith Wayn Skenandore

Barb Hanke, lead singer for Barbie & The Earthshakers, said her band formed 6 years ago. Chief was one of the original band members. There have been changes to the band over the years. The original and current band members will unite for the benefit concert.

"Chief was a good friend. And, we want to honor him, and help his children as much as we can," Hanke said. She said the original harmonica player will drive 10 hours from Nebraska to perform in the benefit concert.

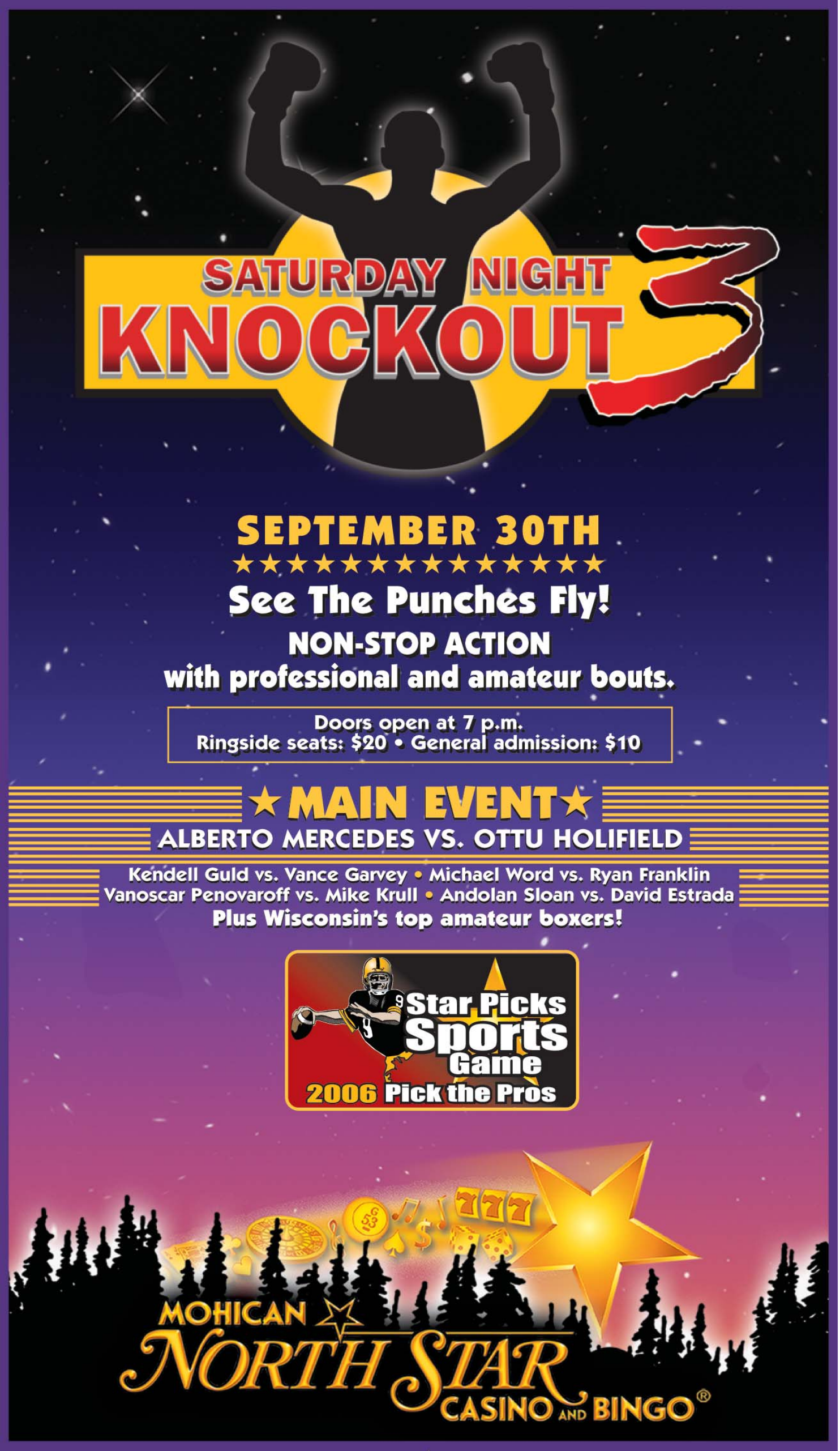
Chief played guitar in rock and blues bands since he was in high school. A few of the recent bands he played with include: "Willy & The Hand Jive," and "C.J. Mac." He was also a "hired gun" for other bands as called upon.

Chief was interested in and concerned about tribal politics. He was a member of the "Investigative Task Force," created by the General Tribal Council in the late 1990's to look into various issues raised within the organization.

He was also a member of the "Magneto's M.C." motorcycle club.

Donations to the "Chief Skenandore's Childrens Benefit Fund," can be made directly at the Bay Bank, 2555 Packerland Dr., Green Bay, WI. 54313.

The benefit fund will be kept open for about six months to accept any donations people would like to give to help Chief's family through the holiday season.



Gettin' picked on



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

The Oneida Apple Orchard is ripe for the picking. Bill Webster works picking apples for the Orchard. If you would like to pick your own apples the Orchard offers that too. The cost to pick your own is $0.40/lb. The Orchard offers a variety of apples to choose from including Macintosh, Cortland, Honey Gold and Northwest Greening among others. Fall hours are Tuesday-Friday 10am - 5:30pm, Saturday and Sunday 9am - 3pm and closed on Monday. Phone (920)869-2468.

Health

Look out for deer on the move in fall rutting season

Submitted by Bill Koonz
Environmental Protection

Fall is in the air!

It has been a fantastic summer, weather wise, unless you are a gardener or someone who prides themselves in having a green lawn. The local wildlife also felt the dry spell and moved to more permanent water sources. Bigger changes are in store for our local deer herds as the fall progresses.

They are losing their summer chestnut color and are getting their grey of winter. Their hairs are made up of both underfur and guard hairs to protect against the upcoming cold and damp conditions.

The fawns have mostly lost their spots and the bucks are itching to get rid of the velvet that has provided the opportunity for them to grow the racks that they will be sporting this fall. They have had to be careful this summer to prevent damaging their new antler growth. Soon their necks will swell as the rutting season approaches and their hormones kick in.

The does and their fawns will soon be grouping up and forming feeding flocks. In the white-tailed deer world the females are in charge and the flocks are typically closely related females of several generations. They are highly social and do not easily tolerate unrelated individuals in their herds. The older bucks will soon begin to lay claim to territories, rub off the velvet from their antlers, set up scrape lines and begin to chase off younger or less dominant rivals from their territories.

As these activity changes occur, deer become even more vulnerable to vehicle collisions. The fawns will be crossing roadways for the first time, the young bucks will be pushed from their traditional territories and dusk and dawn (the most active time periods for deer movement) occur at rush hour. As the fall breeding season (the rut) approaches, animals move from summer territories to wintering areas where they will remain until spring. These factors in combination make the fall the most likely time for Wisconsin deer/vehicle accidents.



Photo submitted by Bill Koonz

A young buck with velvet on his antlers.

Deer/vehicle collisions from September until December are typically half fawns (young of the year) a quarter are yearling bucks while the remaining quarter are more experienced adults, often territorial males searching for does. These collisions kill thousands of Wisconsin deer annually, cause millions of dollars worth of vehicle damage and result in numerous human injuries. Deer/vehicle collisions can result in serious human injury but accidents caused when people try to avoid hitting deer are often far more serious and can result in loss of life.

Things to remember when on the highway this fall:Deer are most active at dawn and dusk.

Fawns are crossing roadways for the first time in the fall. Deer move from summer territories (typically isolated does with fawns) to traditional winter feeding sites close to large wooded resting areas.

As the days get shorter, dawn and dusk occur closer to rush hour.

As the rut commences, bucks are searching for receptive does and receptive does are searching out preferred bucks.

Deer are native species that are adapting to human activities. They also have the potential to nearly double their population size in a single year. Eliminating natural predators such as wolves and cougars has resulted in hunting and vehicle collisions being the major mortality factors for this species. They provide area residents with millions of hours of viewing and hunting opportunities, bring millions of dollars into the local economy and provide jobs and a food source for many people.

We need to be alert and better understand the daily and annual habits of deer to better appreciate them and to avoid colliding with them on roadways. People are as likely to remember the date of a deer collision as they are their child's birthday.

Protect Duck Creek from Autumn lawn care run off

Submitted by Melissa Moren
Water Resources Specialist

Fall is the season when many of us prepare our lawns and gardens for the winter, take of basic care maintenance before the cold weather sets in, and dispose of leftover paint and lawn-care chemicals. All of these activities have the potential for contributing to pollution to Duck Creek!

When it rains, storm water runs off lawns, sidewalks, driveways and streets, down storm drains and into the creek. The "storm water runoff" is a significant source of water pollution to Duck Creek. Storm water runoff picks up chemicals from our lawns and gardens, as well as litter, oil and grease off streets, parking lots and driveways. Additionally, hazardous chemicals can end up in the stream if they are poured down storm drains.

Everyone in the Duck Creek watershed lives on the creek's banks. Why? Because everyone's drains eventually end up in Duck Creek, as does the runoff from lawns, driveways and roofs. Fishing and swimming have been limited due to water pollution. However, there are many efforts taking place to restore and protect Duck Creek. We must all become aware of how each of us can restore and protect Duck Creek!

Following are some *Do and Don't tips* for maintaining an environmentally friendly yard and home:

Don't...

* Don't apply fertilizer within 50 feet of a water body
* Don't spread fertilizer on paved surfaces
* Don't allow leaves to wash into storm drains
* Don't dump leaves or grass clippings into streams

Do...

* Do sweep leaves from storm drains openings, curbs, sidewalks, and driveways
* Do compost rather than bag leaves
* Do take household hazardous waste to Brown County Recycling Center. It is located at 2561 South Broadway. The phone number is 492-4950. Drop off times are Thursdays 12:00–8:00PM and Saturdays 8:00 AM–2:00PM.

For more information about Oneida's Storm water Program contact **Jim Snitgen, 496-5333**; or **Melissa Moren, 496-5334**. Contact **Diane Jourdan** for composting information, **496-5345.**

OPEN HOUSE

For Home Ownership Program...

Wednesday, September 27, 2006

11 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Tall Feather Way Housing Site

Corner of County Hwy H and Ranch

Community Invited
Oneida Housing Authority

Tour of Homes and information provided on OHA Home ownership program. *Light refreshments will be served*

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Agricultural / Community Services 139 Riverdale 920–869–2718	8:00am–4:30pm
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Have fun at the Heart Walk and help save lives!!!

You can also register and join the Oneida Team online at:
http://heartwalk.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=146244

If you have any questions call:
Karen Hallada @ (920) 869-4899
Dawn Krines Glatt @ (920) 869-4884

Thunderhawk Times

T-Hawks win "Frybread Bowl"

By Nick Cantu and Randall Danforth
ONHS juniors

The Oneida Nation Thunderhawks finally beat the Menominee Eagles in overtime 28-20 on Friday, September 1.

The whole game was close, even though the T-Hawks were getting beat 14-0 to start out. But toward the end the first quarter, quarterback Darrell Skenandore threw a 55-yard touchdown pass to Joe Christjohn to keep the score close.

The Hawks failed to convert and at the end of the first quarter it was the Menominee Eagles 14 Oneida Thunder-Hawks 6.

At the beginning of the second quarter the Eagles drove down field and scored another touchdown, increasing their lead to 20-6. But the T-Hawks got good field position and answered with a rushing touchdown by Skenandore. They went for a two-point conversion and completed it to Cameron Stevens to bring the score to 20-14.

The Hawks finally got momentum on their side and shut the Eagles down to go into halftime 20-14.



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Freddie Hernandez attempts to make a flying tackle. The Thunderhawks went on to beat the Menominee Eagles for the first time in seven years.

But head coach Nathan King wasn't happy with the team's play and delivered a "nice talk" to his players.

The beginning of the third quarter started and Menominee drove the ball to the two yard line where the Hawks managed to hold them on 4th and goal. The ball was turned over to Oneida, but the Hawks couldn't do anything with it so they had to punt it.

The entire third quarter was scoreless.

At the beginning of the fourth quarter, the Eagles drove again but were stopped again by a tough T-Hawk defense and they had to punt.

With just 38 seconds left in the game, Nick Cantu got the punt and scampered for a 48-yard return and a td.

The game was tied at 20.

The Hawks failed the two point conversion and the game went into overtime.

The Hawks won the coin toss to start the overtime period and scored on the very first play with another run by Skenandore. He also ran in the two-point conversion and Oneida led 28-20.

The Eagles got the ball back but were intercepted to end the game.

It was the first win for Oneida against Menominee in seven years.

THT Times Returns

We're Back!!!

Following our best year ever, the ONHS journalism class is ready to do even better this year. Every issue will bring you exciting articles about our school, our students and teachers, our community and the world around us. We'll announce our editorial staff next issue. Thanks and stay tuned. Watch for some short articles over the next few issues introducing our staff.

Thunderhawk Times Staff–First Semester, 2006-2007

Nick Cantu, John Christjohn, Randall Danforth, Twyla Danforth, Winona Godfrey, Ashley Melchert, Bret Metoxen, Eldon Powless, Russell Powless, Debbie Santiago, Andrew Sitting Bear, Martin Stevens, Shakira Stevens

Advisors: Lynn Adrian, John Bestul, Denis Gullickson

Meet new teacher Z Dogg

By Shakira Stevens
ONHS senior



She's 5'1/2, has natural brown hair, and likes numbers! Guess who? The new math teacher. Mrs. Lisa Zdrazil but goes by the name of Z-Dogg or Mrs. Drizzle.

She just migrated here from Winchester, New York. She has recently married her husband Tim, who she found on the internet at eHarmony.com. She found her husband at a discounted price of $100 for six months. Her ring is one and one half karats (very expensive).

When asked if she had any criminal record her response was, "Oh, God, no!"

She has a dog named Simon and her cat died in 1999, R.I.P. She doesn't prefer Seafood because of lack of flavor.

So far she looks like she has a promising career here at Oneida Nation High School and maybe she will last more than a year, unlike other new staff in the past.

Know who's who at Oneida High School

Meet former Phantom Bret Metoxen

By Ashley Melchert
ONHS senior



What's your full name?

Bret Wayne Metoxen

Where were you born?

St. Mary's at 11:15.

If you could chose where you would have been born, where would that be?

Pyramid of Giza

Where did you grow up?

Oneida

Why did you come back to the Oneida schools?

West De Pere wasn't all that. My brother goes to the Turtle School.

Who do you talk so much?

Because talking means knowledge and knowledge is power! I like making friends and making people smile and laugh.

What's your quote for the day?

Life is crazy for days.

What's a recent event and how were you affected by it?

Steve Irwin's death. He didn't have to go. He was like my best friend because I like to watch "Animal Planet" and the Discovery Channel.

Seeing red - meet Winona Godfrey

By Randall Danforth
ONHS sophomore



Winona Godfrey is a senior this year and has gone to Oneida Tribal School all her life.

This summer she took a step into life on her own and moved into her own apartment. She lives on the westside of Green Bay. Winona likes her own apartment "very much."

She has 4 sisters and 1 brother. Her favorite color is red.

When she heard Steve Irwin has passed she really didn't know who he was so it didn't affect her. She doesn't care for animals.

Her interest in music is Rap and Latino. Winona has no favorite singer, she "likes them all."

Get to know sophomore Randall

By Winona Godfrey
ONHS senior



Randall Danforth is 16 years old and he is in the 10th grade. He has one brother and one sister.

Randall doesn't have a specific genre of music he likes to listen to and he does not like to read so he does not have a favorite book.

Randall's goals for this year are to pass all of his classes.

Randall is also involved in a few sports–football, basketball, and baseball.

Packer's future now

By Andrew Sitting Bear
ONHS senior

The Packers lost their first game, which I predicted.

Here's a look at my picks and what should amount to a 9-7 record for the season.

Wins: Saints, Lions, Rams, Cardinals, Bills, Seahawks, 49ers, Lions, Vikings.

Losses: Bears, Eagles, Dolphins, Vikings, Patriots, Jets, Bears.

Are they going to make the playoffs? I'll let you know in a future article.

Journalism teacher is an author

By Winona Godfrey
ONHS senior

Did you know that our Journalism teacher is also an author? His second book is on the brink of success. His second book which is titled Vagabond Halfback: The Life And Times of Johnny Blood McNally came out on Monday, September 11.

I asked Denis Gullickson a few questions about his book.

W: Why did you choose to write about Johnny "Blood" McNally?

D: John McNally a.k.a. Johnny Blood, was a philosopher, a poet, a guy who enjoyed life to the fullest and one of the greatest football players in the history of NFL. He was the most likely a genius– his first grade teacher said that he was "far and away the smartest kid" she'd ever taught in 35 years. He graduated from high school at

See Page 4B
Author

Remember 9/11

By Bret Metoxen
ONHS sophomore

I had to be in 6th grade when I heard of the attacks.

The thought that was going through my head was, 'what the heck is going on?' Fear was the biggest thing–the fear of not knowing what was going on.

I now know anything can happen at any time of your life.

That day five years ago, was the time I asked to call my parents from school because I was really scared. Really, I was more worried for my family than anything.

Wave hankies for Hanke

By Twyla Danforth
ONHS senior



Put your hankies away, because we have an new math teacher.

Mike Hanke has a lot of experience in math–about nine years, but never got his masters degree. This is his first time teaching full time in a high school. He used to be a principal.

He came to ONHS because he saw the ad in the paper and was very interested. He is married to Cathy Hanke, who used to work at ONES. They have three daughters.

Hanke's favorite math subject to teach is Trigonometry, and he says he "loves the three students that are in there"–Darrell Skenandore, Eddie Metoxen and Freddie Hernandez.

Hanke says, "The staff here are great, they're very supportive."

Hanke likes to run in marathons during his free time. He is a Packer fan and likes watching the Brewers.

"He is a great teacher, and we are glad to have him," some ONHS students say.

Bump! Set! Spike!

By Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

This year the lady T-Hawks started out with a 1-1 record.

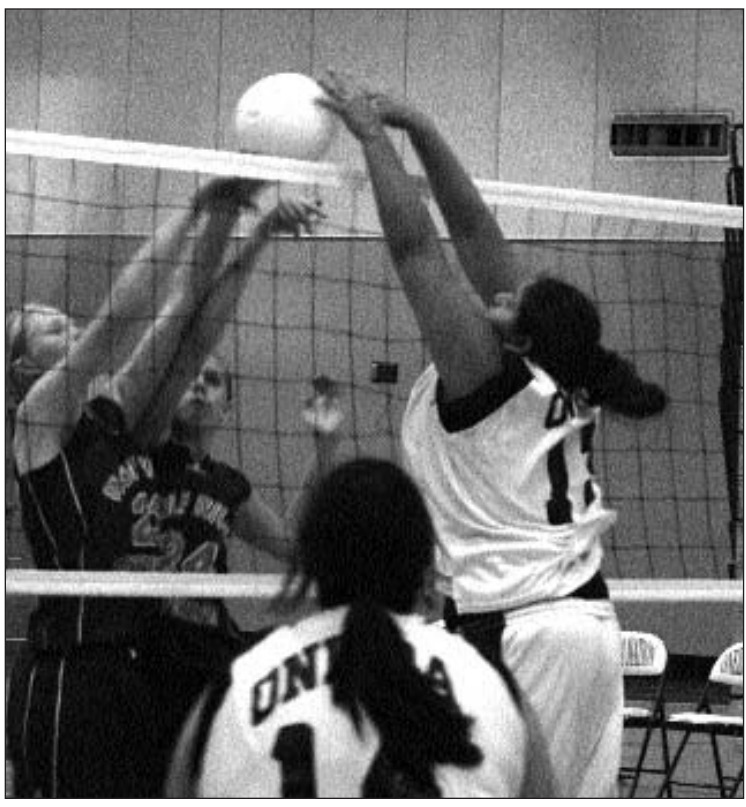
Every day in practice they work very hard to push themselves to a higher level.

The coaches this year are Katsi Danforth and Amy Cooper.

The volleyball team will be losing 5 seniors this year that give a lot of encouragement to the rest of the team: Lois Stevens, Crystal Metoxen, Lenita Cornelius, Shakira Stevens and Twyla Danforth.

"A lot of the JV players stepped up this year, and we're looking good. We have a good chance to make it pass regionals," says Twyla Danforth.

Meanwhile, the JV team is looking good with Tanya Christjohn's deadly serve.



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Twyla Danforth blocks a tip from Wolf River Lutheran Thursday, September 7 at the Thunderhawks home game. The Thunderhawks swept all three games.

Education

Fostering a community bond with a native touch

By Steve Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Dedication, time and a big heart are just a few things one needs as a foster parent.

On Thursday, August 31st 18 sets of foster parents each received a plaque commemorating the number of years of foster service they have provided in Oneida.

Doxbees' in Seymour was the site of the first banquet to honor those Oneida families that provide the invaluable service of being foster caregivers.

The 'thank-you' dinner was hosted by the Oneida Child Protective Board, whose primary responsibility, according to Jeanette Ninham, Chair of the Child Protective Board, is to "give recommendations to the court on behalf of the Oneida tribe for out-of-home placement."

Ninham explains further, "Any time there is an Oneida Tribal member that is going to be placed, the tribe has a right to intervene and to say where that child is to be placed."

Ninham explains the need for Oneida foster parents, "Our first priority is always to bring that child back to the tribe, whether it's with a family that is Oneida or another tribe. We try to keep them in the community so that the parents can work on their conditions and the children can be returned to home...that's the goal."

Vern and Lynn Doxtator have been fostering children for 13 years with the Oneida Child Protective Board and have helped more than 50 children by opening up their home to them.

Lynn explains the importance of the foster care system, "You give them a place where they can stay and they can see how people are suppose to interact with each other. They may have never seen how a mom is supposed to be treated by a dad and how a dad is suppose to be treated by a mom."



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Billie Jo Cornelius-Adkins (left) and son accept an award from Shirley Barber(right) commemorating her years of service as a foster parent.

Fostering children can be emotionally taxing when it is time to let a foster child go to a new family.

According to Vern, "It's kind of a bittersweet situation, you're sad to see them go but you're also happy for them cause now their starting their new life with their new parents."

Lynn continues, "You always grieve, you do, but...you go into it knowing you have to let them go. You have to love the children like they are your own while they are with you, but you also go into it knowing they are not your children."

"Why they do it? Big hearts," Ninham said of foster parents.

Vern also notes, "The rewards are more emotional than financial."

"Letting them see what a family is suppose to operate like, even if it's for a short time. They are going to always remember that this is the way it's suppose to be," Lynn continues, "I appreciate working with the tribe. I think that the Oneida Social Services have been very accommodating for their foster parents. They are wonderful to work for and I am very pleased that we are associated with the tribe."

According to Ninham the need for fostering children is large.

Should you and your spouse decide you want to become foster parents contact Jennifer Kruse, Coordinator-Child Placement for Children and Family Services at (920) 490-3700.

Nurturing Fathers Program

Oneida Nation Social Services through it's Parenting Program is pleased to offer a three-day facilitator training on the Nurturing Fathers Program. The Nurturing Fathers Program is a part of the national initiative to encourage men to step back into their important roles as fathers in the family.

The training is designed to equip participants in the role of facilitator. The training session will be led by Mark Perlman who is the creator and author of the Nurturing Fathers Program and founder of the Center for Growth Development in Sarasota, FL..

Upon completion of the training participants will be recognized as approved trainers and consultants for this powerful program curriculum.

As a trained individual in this program you will have the tools necessary to provide an opportunity for boys, men, dads and fathers to share, grow and become positive fathers to their children.

The training session will cover the following components: the background, design, and supporting research on the Nurturing Fathers Program, core concepts and implementation and the certification of facilitators.

In addition to this, Mark Perlman will also offer an introduction to The NEW MArriage & PArenting Program. This is an exciting program designed to enhance the family by focusing on the couple first. Time will be allocated for consultation and a dinner will be held to honor fathers and will be attended by Mr. Perlman.

We hope that you will join in with this unique gathering of inspired parenting, fathering, and family advocates as we learn, laugh, grow and celebrate together.

There is no NO REGISTRATION COST for this program as a result of financial support from the Oneida Nation Social Service's Center for Self Sufficiency (TANF - fathering initiative) and the Oneida Great Minds Great Futures C.A.P.P.S. Grant.

This event is open to all on a first come first serve basis with 55 available spots. Brochures are on the way.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact:

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Childcare Conference held in Hayward

Wisconsin Inter Tribal Early Childcare Conference
Friday October 20, 2006
LCO Lodge Bingo Hall
County B, Hayward, WI
Presenters include the following"

Dorothy Davids & Ruth Gudinas on Native American Children's Literature: Bias is a four letter word:

Integrating authentic Native materials into the regular pre-school curriculum

Lita Haddal from Wisconsin Child Care Information Center: Ideas on how to feed a child's love for reading, multi media resources for working with children and families.

Jeanne Erikson with The Better Badger Baby Bus - The first years last forever! Learn how to lay the foundation for a lifetime of healthy brain development.

Jodie Harris will speak on Methamphetamine, a highly addictive and extremely toxic street drug. Its use affects the addict, their children, and the community. Children living in homes where drugs are used, sold, or manufactured are at great risk for physical, emotional, and sexual abuse.

Brian Doxtator a traditional storyteller will share an age old way of keeping the culture alive with our children.

Conference Fee : $25.00 includes Native American Traditional Lunch (This is for Friday's conference only)

Registration will start at 8:00 am, Sessions 8:30am to 3:00pm

A block of rooms are on hold at The LCO Lodge so call1-**800-634-5643** today to make your reservations ask for Group#1019 to receive conference rate of $48.60 for Thursday night and Friday night $57.60. If you need more information call Randie at **715-853-6256**.

Time to join Girl Scouts

Girl Scout registration is taking place throughout the area for all girls in grades K – 12.

Girl Scouting develops girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. From programs in art and culture to science and math, outdoor adventure to sports and health and wellness, girls have the opportunity to try new things in a safe environment.

Not all girls belong to typical troops. An Individually Registered Girl is a Girl Scout, not in troop, who works closely with a parent or other special adult in their life to experience Girl Scouts first-hand. Girls can register individually and participate in all the same programs and camp session in which troop girls participate. Individually registered girls can work on badges and choose options that are best suited for them based on their schedule and interests.

Men and women volunteers over the age of 18 are key in making the Girl Scout experience a success. Volunteers are needed to help plan and/or facilitate events, lead 20-minute programs on a topic that helps girls, assist with adult training, provide clerical assistance, and help in the Council Shop and front desk.

Upcoming Girl Scout registration in Oneida is as follows:

*Oneida, Parish Hall, Tuesday, September 26, from 6 - 8 p.m.
*Girl Scouts of the Fox River Area, Inc. serves over 8,000 girl and adult members in a six-county jurisdiction including Outagamie, Winnebago, Waupaca, Shawano, Menominee, and Calumet (partial).

New and returning members must register. A $10 registration fee per person covers a one-year membership to the national organization, Girl Scouts of the USA. Financial assistance is available. If you are interested in becoming involved but are unable to attend a scheduled registration session, contact Girl Scouts of the Fox River Area, Inc. at **(920) 734-4559** or **(800) 924-1211** for more information or visit **www.gsfra.org**

From Page 3B/*Author Gullickson*

14. His name is one of those in big gold letters inside Lambeau Field, representing the Packers in the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Besides, he was a Wisconsin kid, from New Richmond.

W: How long have you been working on this book?

D: Two years

W: What inspired you to write a book about an old football player?

D: Because he was so many things and because he very much lived life on his own terms. Sometimes that got him in trouble, but most often he was very admired by those around him. Don Hutson, who was nearly the exact opposite of John, really put him on a pedestal. Hutson said that no one could turn a game around like John.

W: What resources did you use to write this biography?

D: I spent a lot of time interviewing human resources (probably about 50 people) and a lot of time reading and doing research in libraries. I went to John's hometown of New Richmond three times and Minneapolis-St. Paul twice. I also went to St. John's University near St. Cloud, Minnesota where Johnny Blood went to college.

W: What was your toughest interview?

D: My toughest interview was a man named John Doar, not because he was a difficult person to work with, but because he is such a busy guy. Sometimes I would just miss him in New Richmond by a week. John Doar is from New Richmond, but he is now a New York City Attorney. He worked for the U.S. Justice Department and advised the U.S. House of Representatives during the Nixon Impeachment. But I also had to interview him. He knew John McNally better and admired him more than anyone else.

W: Who did you dedicate this book too?

D: To his best buddy Paul, his parents, and his step-son Paul.

W: do you plan on writing another book? What about?

D: I am just about done with a on Monfils murder case which I've been working on for 5 years. It should be out by the end of this year. I plan on writing many more books. I've got about 20 post-it notes with new ideas. My publisher wants me to write a book called Tailgating With The Packers which has a due date of February, 2008. I'm also working on a book of humorous horse stories with a friend called Never Swat a Fly at a Horse Auction and a book on some cottages in Lakewood, Wisconsin that people call the Gingerbread Houses. One of those is where I write.

W: What else is going on in your professional and personal life?

D: Besides writing books, I live and work on a horse farm with his wife, Kathy, and daughter, Rachel. My job at ONHS is Owatsileh Coordinator. You might say I've got 3 full-time jobs.

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Language Revitalization
Tekalutatu (Log Building)



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Beatrice Nicholas, (left) Oneida Elder from the Thames shares a laugh at the Language Program with Language Trainee, Inez Thomas as they practice their Oneida.

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

To be able to speak in conversational Oneida language, wake up and think in the Oneida language, and dream in the Oneida language is what Language Trainees at Tekalutatu (Log Building) have experienced since their inception into the Oneida Language Revitalization Program. It originally started in 1996 by Dr. Carol Cornelius, Cultural Heritage Area Manager and since then has had many elders and community people involved. It also has changed and over the past couple of years the learning has accelerated by bringing in a new way of learning.

Mary McDonald, Fluent Language Facilitator said, "...things that come to my mind is that they're dreaming in the language and that means your brain is taking over on the second language."

Over the last 28 months McDonald has been working on developing speakers in the Oneida community. McDonald is a fluent speaker herself of the Oneida, Mohawk and Onondaga language. McDonald has 25 years experience teaching and taught high school for years until the opportunity to teach came about.

"I primarily moved here to make a commitment to you nation to teach the language" said McDonald.

"This is really a neat progression and you look at all the years of study you have and you get to apply it" said McDonald.

There are eight Language Trainees and her assistant, Leander Danforth, she is currently working with. Successful basic vocabulary, semantics, conversational Oneida language are key to being able to learn and retain the language. The exchange program with Oneida of the Thames has assisted in exposing the Trainees to hear what Oneida sounds like in everyday normal situations and so they can get that boost on the language.

Inez Thomas, Language Trainee has been with the program for years and is part of the exchange in learning with the Oneida of the Thames. Thomas said referring to the exchange, "It's priceless. The opportunity to be able to hear language and catch the humor listening to Leona (Smith, Oneida Elder) and Beatrice (Nicholas, Oneida of the Thames elder) was being able to hear an emersion conversation."

The Trainees learning is very similar to a child learning how to speak in kindergarten. By the time they're in grade two their a pretty well functioning speaker then you can introduce the reading and writing. Language Trainees have devoted their lives to learning the Oneida Language with the perspective that they have to learn as if they were babies.

Howard Elijah from the Thames has been influential in continuing the language exchange program between the Thames community and Oneida, Wisconsin.

"Last year I was invited to come out here to participate in their language program in July 2005. I spent a week with them and met Mary McDonald and seen the program she was doing, liked it and it made sense to me. Two weeks later I brought these ladies (referring to the teachers and elders from the Thames) back with me and spent another week with them. From that point on we worked out the resources and we began to share with each other" said Elijah.

Elijah mentions very critical and important points in being able to revitalize and sustain the Oneida language that is slowly being lost.

"In the 1950's it didn't matter where you went in our community everyone spoke Oneida. In the 1960's it just got progressed where we were losing our language. We're to the point now where we have just a little over a hundred fluent speakers" said Elijah.

Elijah mentions the struggle to sustain the language and realizes that it cannot be done in isolation as one of the important points. This is why the exchange has occurred because the Thames have speakers to offer as a resource and Wisconsin has the detailed teaching system of learning the language that the Thames need. Elijah also mentions the friendship and family connections that have been created as a result of the exchange program. The language is what is bringing the two communities together to build on those friendships.

The experience has made it difficult for the Thames to go home because they enjoy themselves so much and learn so much. It is equally difficult for the Oneida Trainees that travel to the Thames to come back home.

"We're like a medicine to ourselves" said Elijah.

Another point is the elders in elderly homes. "If they (elders) had something to do and that something is the language and that something is the family and we need to make that reconnected" said Elijah

The elders are often isolated and they need something to do and that something is teaching or learning the language. We want the elders to be able to remember the words that used to be spoken to them by their grandparents said Elijah. If the elderly can work with the children, the parents or the families we will move closer to our goal as Oneida people to revitalize the language.

Beatrice Nichols an elder from the Thames had been speaking for 70 years. She recently became involved in the language program in the Thames and felt like she didn't know much. Elijah considers her like a professor because she is a fluent speaker. She has been involved in teaching the parents of the students that attend the traditional school in the Thames and holds class from 7:00 p.m. at their cookhouse and teaches sometimes as late as midnight.

Currently language trainees can go into the community and teach basic vocabulary. The program is possibly looking into starting a new trainee program and keeping the current trainees as assistants in teaching them. It is considered a lifelong learning process and the trainees will need to continue learning.

LOC UPDATE

LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE - SEPTEMBER 2006

MEET THE LOC

The LOC consists of the 5 Council member positions of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC):

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The members of the LOC serve 3 year terms consistent with the Tribal election of the OBC.

WHEN WE MEET

When in session, the LOC meets every other Monday at 9:00am. Currently, the LOC is meeting at Our Lady of Charity while the Norbert Hill Center is being renovated.

Completed agenda item request forms should be received by the Wednesday prior to a LOC meeting in order to be placed on the agenda.

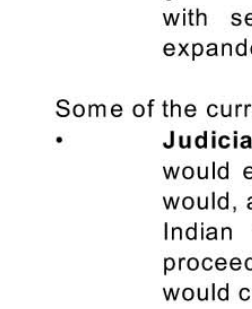
The LOC has three sessions per term. Each session begins in the Fall and ends in the Spring.

The next LOC meeting will be held on:
SEPTEMBER 25, 2006.

LOC ACTIVE FILES LIST

- ❑ APA (New)
- ❑ Child Protective Board Bylaws
- ❑ Education Code
- ❑ Election Law
- ❑ Election Law: Primary Elections for OBC Positions
- ❑ Emergency Services Ordinance
- ❑ Format for Laws
- ❑ Hall of Fame
- ❑ Higher Education
- ❑ Hunting, Fishing & Trapping
- ❑ Housing Ordinance
- ❑ Internal Security Issues
- ❑ Judiciary Act
- ❑ Labor Code
- ❑ Law Enforcement Ordinance
- ❑ LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)
- ❑ Legislative Procedures Act
- ❑ Military Service Employee Protection Act
- ❑ New York: Building Code
- ❑ New York: Plumbing Code
- ❑ Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance
- ❑ Oneida Passports
- ❑ Pardon Ordinance
- ❑ Per Capita Ordinance Amendments
- ❑ Preventative Health Care Bill

LOC Member Spotlight - Vince DelaRosa



Vince DelaRosa was first elected to the Oneida Business Committee in 1999 and re-elected in 2002 and 2005. DelaRosa currently serves as Chairman for Legislative Operating Committee, a position he served in 1999 thru 2003.
Councilman DelaRosa has submitted the following comments:

The past years have been tremendously exciting. As a member of the Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) I am proud of the work that we've been able to accomplish. Significant reforms that the LOC has helped develop in recent years include:

- **Codification of Tribal laws and policies.** For the first time in our history we now have all the Oneida laws codified and readily available for public inspection and review.
- **Open Records and Open Meetings Law.** A fundamental part of any successful democracy is an informed electorate. Voters need to know what their elected officials are doing. This landmark law ensures that Tribal members have access to the information they need in order to stay informed of government actions.
- **New wage scale.** The LOC helped move the process along which resulted in higher wages for many employees.
- **New Tribal Constitution draft**. A new Tribal constitution is being worked on which would help the Tribe function more effectively in the 21st century. Among the reforms are different branches of government with the checks and balances that comes with separation of powers, a judiciary and an expanded bill of rights section.

Some of the current issues before the LOC include:

- **Judiciary Act**. The LOC is developing a law which would establish a court system for the Tribe which would, among other things, allow the Tribe to handle Indian Child Welfare cases and other judicial proceedings here on the Reservation. This initiative would create a new branch of government and would allow the Tribe to assert its sovereignty in very significant ways.
- **Military Service Employee Protection Act.** This proposal would ensure that Tribal employees who are called to active duty through the National Guard or reserves will be able to have their jobs waiting for them when they return from military service.
- **Preventative Health Care**. This proposal would pay for DNA testing and provide a wellness supplement subsidy to Tribal members in an effort to improve the health of Tribal members and, in other instances, prevent health issues from arising in the first place.

We will continue on a course of legislative reform which preserves the rights of the Oneida people for today and future generations. The LOC will continue to work to strengthen the Tribe's sovereignty through a sound lawmaking process. The act of passing legislation (laws) has been called the central act of government. In this context, the LOC has worked very hard to contribute in building institutions of government and clear patterns of law development.

Thank you.

Publications

You can order your own copy of the Oneida Code of Laws and Oneida Tribal Policies through the Legislative Reference Office.

The Code of Laws contain all current Oneida laws that have been approved by the General Tribal Council or the Oneida Business Committee.

The Oneida Tribal Policies contain current Tribal policies affecting the community and employment.

Order requests can be made by either email to phuff@oneidanation.org. or by contacting Peril Huff at 869-4376.

The costs are:

- Oneida Code of Laws (2 volume set) $30
- Oneida Tribal Policies $30

LOC ACTIVE FILES LIST cont...

- ❑ Real Property Law
- ❑ Salary Structure
- ❑ SEOTS Bylaws
- ❑ Small Business
- ❑ Termination of Appointment
- ❑ Travel Policy
- ❑ Truancy Ordinance

Recreation

Recreation fun for all ages at Civic and Cty H

Submitted By John Powless, III
Oneida Civic Center

Participate in our new Fall Programs at the Civic Center or Cty. Hwy. H. Here are a few of our programs, please look for our complete schedule of programs.

Golden Program at H

BINGO: When you get a bingo, scream "BINGO!", then break for the prize table that has convenient prizes selected just for you, Wed. 1:30-3 p.m. at Cty. H

Ultimate Bowling League: Spend quality time with your family and friends this fall, while bowling in the Ultimate Bowling League, Thurs. 1:30-3 p.m. at Cty. H

The Price is Right: "Come on down, it's your turn to be the next contestant" on our version of The Price is Right, Thurs. 9:45-11 a.m. at Cty. H

Learning Center's Homework Help: Youth will have all the materials necessary to successfully complete their homework. Staff will provide one-on one-assistance at both facilities, M-F 3:30-5 p.m.

Guy's Group: Come participate in special "Guy's Group" activities. Everyone will have fun, while learning at the same time, Mon. 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. at Cty. H

Character Development: Facility wide program, teaching youth the 6 Pillars (Respect, Trustworthiness, Caring, Fairness, Citizenship and Responsibility) through recognition of positive behaviors, Tue & Wed 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Civic

Reading Challenge: The challenge is to read as much as possible in 3 months. We will discuss the books we read twice a week, whoever reads the most will receive an incentive, Mon. 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Civic, Tue. (6-7 p.m.) & Fri. (7-8 p.m.) at Cty. H

Social Recreation Girls Group: Participate in a variety of activities (crafts, cooking, community service and field trips). Our group is for girls, ages 7-18. Wed. 6 p.m.-7 p.m. at Cty. H

Cooking Class: Learn about manners, nutrition and kitchen etiquette and test your cooking skills and treat your tastebuds !!! Tue. & Thurs. 5 p.m. -6 p.m.at Cty. H

Kidz Choice - Game Time: Play pool, darts, air hockey. Challenge the staff to a board game, or just hang out and have some fun. Mon.- Fri. 3:30-4:30 p.m. at Cty. H, Mon. & Thurs. 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. at the Civic

Scrap Book: Learn to decorate your very own scrap book featuring holiday themes, vacations, birthdays. Books and supplies will be provided, take home your book when finished, Mon. 6:30-8 p.m. at the Civic

Sports and Fitness

Tournament Tuesday: Enjoy various tournaments every Tuesday at Cty. H. Tournament winners will be recognized each week, 6 p.m. -7 p.m., Teen 7p.m. - 8 p.m.

Teen/Adult Dodge Ball League: Teams will consist of 5 players, (2 females), games will be played on Wed., 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Cty. H

Step into Action: Get your body moving! Join our "Game of the Day" for 20 min. and receive participation credit, prizes will be awarded to the most active members. Mon.-Fri., 4-5 p.m. at Cty. H and Tue. & Thurs. 4-5 p.m. at the Civic

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				9:45am The Price is Right	
			1:30-3:00pm Bingo	1:30-3:00pm Bowling	
3:00pm-4:00pm	Homework Help Kidz Choice	Homework Help Kidz Choice	Homework Help Kidz Choice	Homework Help Kidz Choice	Homework Help Kidz Choice
4:00pm-5:00 pm	Kidz Choice Step in Action	Kidz Choice Step in Action	Kidz Choice Step in Action	Kidz Choice Step in Action	Kidz Choice Step in Action
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Guys Group Kidz Choice	Cooking Class	Snack Art	Cooking Class Kidz Choice	Movie Night
6:00pm - 7:00pm	Scrap Book Reading Challenge	Character Development Reading Challenge Tourn. Tues	Character Development Girls Group	Pottery	Movie Night
8:00pm - 9:00pm	Teen Time Art	Pottery	Teen/Adult Dodgeball	Pottery	Movie Night

Get down tonight



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Volunteer community members organize a social dance at the Site II Recreation Building. Dances will be scheduled once a month giving Oneida youth the opportunity to socialize. Shown are girls participating in the Friendship Dance.

Send your email to Kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org

Wednesday Bingo at Co. H

Submitted by Robbie Thomas
Oneida Civic Center

Starting Wednesday September 20th, Oneida Recreation's Bingo is Back! Every Wednesday from 1:30pm - 3:00pm Oneida Recreation will host Bingo at the County H Facility. September 20th will be our Welcome Bingo Back Bash. There will be bonus prizes, extra food and if you bring someone who has never attended, you and your guest will receive and extra prize! Come one, come all, but remember you and your guest must be over the age of 50 to participate! If you have any questions please call Kim at **833-0010!** We can't wait to see you!

Homework help at Civic Center

By Mandy Schneider
Civic Center

I can not believe the school year has started already. HOORAY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The learning center at the civic center is still offering homework help the entire day through. If you attend homework help you are also eligible to win rewards for your report cards, but remember only if you utilize home work help.

Character Development and Rec Bucks are ready to go. These are the facility wide programs that reward the youth with field trips and prizes for their good behavior.

Current events is still going strong, getting the youth of the community thinking about the world around them. There is also a new program to go along with current events this year for the older youth that attend the civic. It is called I AM AWARE. Every Wednesday for about an hour we get together and talk about the things concerning the youth that attend the civic and form activities and field trips based on those concerns.

Last but definitely not least there is a reading challenge and brain buster challenges offered to the youth this year. The reading challenge is to encourage literacy among our youth by offering them a prize of a gift certificate to the mall for whoever reads the most every four months. The brain buster challenges are brain teasers that get the kids thinking more about math and science and the importance of it in their everyday lives.

I also want to remind the teens that there is still help available for applying to colleges, writing for scholarships, filling out job applications, writing resumes, finding an apartment and so on.

So, come on in and visit the learning center at the civic center, we have tons of activities and help to offer, and an eager staff waiting and willing to help.

Pottery open to the public

Submitted by Recreation Specialist - Arts

Open Pottery is for ages 13 and older. Younger may participate if accompanied by a participating adult; originally known as Family Pottery. Adult pottery is for ages 18 and older. Home School Pottery is for ages 7 and older. From time to time a younger sibling may participate when accompanied by an adult.

Kiln firings are available to local artists for the price of a $5.00 annual membership fee. The use of the pottery studio during times listed above is also a $5.00 annual membership fee along with a $10.00 every three months fee for non-tribal adults and $5.00 every three months fee for tribal adults. Cty H Recreation N6457 **(920) 833-0010.**

Tuesday and Wednesday, Open Pottery 6:00 - 8:30pm. Thursday, Adult Pottery 1:30 - 3:30pm, Youth Pottery 4:00 - 6:00pm, and Open Pottery 6:00 - 8:30pm. Friday, Home School Pottery 1:30 - 3:30pm by registration.

Oneida athletes say thanks!!!!!

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In a five-month span, 80 Oneida athletes, coaches and chaperones raised $12,000.00, with the help of the Retail Department, we raised an additional $1,036.36 through donation jars at all Oneida One Stops and Smoke Shops.

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Good News

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Happy Birthday

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~ Janice Skenandore-McLester

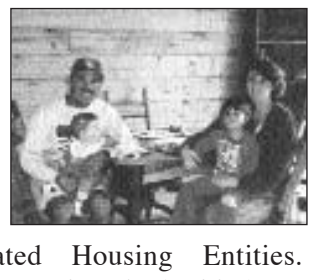
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Please drop off applications at Oneida Business Committee temporary location at the OLC Building, 2640 West Point Rd, Green Bay. The applications may also be inter-officed or mailed to:

Oneida Business Committee
Attn: Boards, Committees & Commissions
P.O. Box 365
Oneida WI 54115

If you have any further questions contact our office at (920) 869-4364 or e-mail at lelm@oneidanation.org

Notice of Availability

Anna John Nursing Home of Oneida, Wisconsin, will provide care from October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007 for uncompensated services to all eligible persons unable to pay who request those services. Requests may be made through the Finance Coordinator, Social Services, or Administrator's office. All services of the facility will be available as uncompensated services. Eligibility for uncompensated services will be limited to the person whose family income is not more than the Category C of the current poverty income guidelines established by the Department of Health and Human Services. This notice is published in accordance with 42 CFR 124.504 Notice of Availability of Uncompensated Services. Anna John Nursing Home will make a written conditional or final determination of your eligibility for uncompensated services with in 10 working days, but no later than 2 days after admission following pre-service request; or by the end of the first billing cycle following a post-service request. We invite interested parties to comment on this allocation plan.

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ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION
Notice of Per Capita Attachment Claims Filed
Re: Child Support Agency(s) vs Various Individuals
A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by child support agency(s) for interception and attachment of per capita payments to satisfy outstanding orders for payment of Oneida tribal debt, child support to the custodial parent and the state of Wisconsin.
Kenneth J. Ackley, Richard Allan Cornelius, David A. Doxtater, Tracy Lu Doxtator, Kim A. Skenandore, Julius Summers Jr., Edwin G. Wallenfang, Gordon R. Williams, Michael R. Yealey
For specific questions about this claim, settlement or payment arrangements prior to September 15th, please contact the appropriate child support agency or Diana Westcott at the Oneida Tribe Accounting Office at 920-490-3500. If you have questions on the process, feel free to contact Oneida Appeals Commission office at (920) 497-5800

Resolution Notices

BC Resolution #_____
Oneida Nation School Board Stipend

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the duly recognized governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and
WHEREAS, the General Tribal Council has been delegated the authority of the constitution of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation School Board continues to clarify and enforce the Oneida Nation School System and Oneida Nation School Board Policies and Procedures for the benefit of the parents, students and employees of the Oneida Nation School System; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation School Board has received stipends which offset the cost and expenses related to membership as well as compensate for knowledge given in the course of duties and responsibilities; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation School Board is required to participate in screening, interviews, grievance hearings and continuing education training in order to maintain and enhance skills utilized in their duties and responsibilities; and
WHEREAS, the stipends paid to the Oneida Nation School Board members have not been adjusted to reflect the current economy for many years; and
WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Policy allows entities to petition the Oneida Business Committee for an increased stipend through a Resolution which indicates the reasons why the stipend should be different, and what would be an appropriate stipend; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation School Board is forwarding the stipend rates set out below for approval by the Oneida Business Committee,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee hereby authorizes a stipend in the amount of $75 to the Oneida Nation School Board for the following:
- Regular meeting or Special meetings.
- Half-day pre-screening or interview sessions, provided that the pre-screening or interview was actually conducted and not canceled or postponed.
- Grievance hearings, provided that a hearing was conducted and not canceled or postponed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the above stipend rates are effective upon the approval of a budget that accommodates this increase in the stipend rate.

Certification

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. ___ members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the day of _____, 2006; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of __ members for;_ members against; and members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

BC Resolution # _____
Oneida Police Commission Stipend Increase

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
WHEREAS, Article XI of the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions establishes stipends for commissions, such as the Oneida Police Commission, at a rate of $50.00 per meeting; and
WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions allows entities to petition the Oneida Business Committee for an increased stipend through a Resolution which indicates the reason why the stipend should be different and what would be an appropriate stipend; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Police Department was founded on November 12, 1985 to provide protective services to the Oneida Reservation; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council on October 10, 2001 approved the Oneida Nation Law Enforcement Ordinance, which included the creation of a Police Commission to oversee the Oneida Police Department; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Police Department has grown and evolved, so has the roles and responsibilities of the Oneida Police Commission; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Police Commission is required to meet monthly with all interested parties and the Chief of Police, along with any special meetings as required; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Police Commission believes that an appropriate stipend amount for its membership is $75 for each board member that attends a regular or special meeting and for each grievance hearing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee hereby authorizes a stipend in the amount $75 per regular meeting or special meeting or grievance hearing for members of the Oneida Police Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the above stipend rates are effective upon the approval of a budget that accommodates this increase in the stipend rate.

Certification

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. ____ members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the day of _____, 2006; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of ___ members for; __members against; and ____ members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

BC Resolution # _____
Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) Board Stipends

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
WHEREAS, Article XI of the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions (Comprehensive Policy) establishes stipends for boards such as the SEOTS Board at a rate of $50.00 per meeting; and
WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Policy allows entities to petition the Oneida Business Committee for an increased stipend through a Resolution which indicates the reasons why the stipend should be different, and what would be an appropriate stipend; and
WHEREAS, the SEOTS Board has not had an increase in the stipend amount in over ten (10) years; and
WHEREAS, the SEOTS Board believes an increase in the stipend amount from $50 to $75 may encourage Board members to attend meetings and become more actively involved and positions will be easier to fill when openings occur; and
WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of each Board member to represent 2,000 members in Southeastern Wisconsin and therefore more responsibility comes with an appointment to the Board; and
WHEREAS, the SEOTS Board members are requested by the SEOTS Board or Oneida Business Committee to attend meetings in Oneida pertaining to business of the SEOTS Board and cannot be fully attended by the SEOTS Board and it is hard for a SEOTS Board quorum to be present; and
WHEREAS, the SEOTS Board believes that the appropriate stipend amount for its membership is $75 per meeting.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee hereby authorizes a stipend in the amount of $75 per regular meeting or special meeting for members of the SEOTS Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the above stipend rates are effective upon the approval of a budget that accommodates this increase in the stipend rate.

Certification

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. ___ members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the _day of _____, 2006; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of __ members for; __members against; and ____ members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

Board Vacancies

Oneida Housing Authority (OHA):
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications:
a. A board member may be a member or non-member of the Tribe.
b. No person shall be barred from serving on the Board because he/she is a tenant or homebuyer in a housing project of the Authority
c. Full term of office of 4 years.
Purpose:
The Oneida Housing Authority shall be organized and operated for the purpose of:
1. Remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals;
2. Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for person of low income;
3. Providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement extension, alteration or repair and operation of low income dwellings.
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Miss Oneida Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall serve a two (2) year term
– Shall be an enrolled Oneida citizen
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Audit Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall be a member of the Oneida Tribe
– Shall not be an employee of the Oneida Tribe
– Shall have knowledge, skills and experience of the Tribe
Members shall adhere to all Tribal laws, codes, policies and procedures with the strictest confidentiality
Closing date of October 30, 2006

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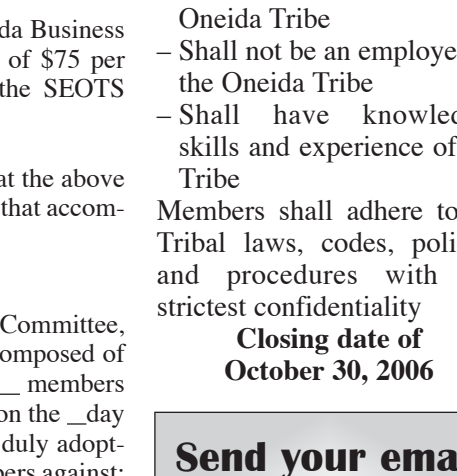
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Highway expansion may lead to native dollars



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

A complete redesign of the WIS. 29 and US 41 interchange is scheduled to begin in 2011. WIS. 29 from County J (pictured) to US 41 will see a drastic make-over with a system-to-system interchange.

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Changes to US 41 could mean opportunities for native owned businesses.

According to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), a new expansion project has been announced for US 41.

This project will consist of two parts in Brown and Winnebago counties.

This massive project is still in the design phase with construction slated to begin in 2009 and 2008 respectively.

The $754 million project has initiated a new program aimed at helping disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE's). The project will help minority owned businesses compete for WisDOT contracts within the state.

Gwen Carr, WisDOT Tribal Liaison, is responsible for putting this plan together. In cooperation with the State of Wisconsin, the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin and the University of Wisconsin, Carr has managed to do something that has never been done before in Wisconsin.

Carr said, "[WisDOT] Secretary [Frank] Busalacchi hired me and we started working on, what ended up as being, the first and only written agreement between a state agency and all the tribes for a partnership agreement. Basically, it acknowledges the sovereignty of the tribes, acknowledges that we have to work with them on a government-to-government relationship and basically sets out the rules of engagement between a state agency and the tribes."

According to Carr WisDOT has a list of certified DBE's in the area and are looking to make that list grow. She also noted that 52% of Indian businesses are construction related.

"We are identifying all of the Indian businesses that are in the construction trade. We do currently have nine DBE that are DBE certified . . . and we're looking at all those nine and seeing how they are, where they are and see what they could use immediately to improve their capacity," Carr said. "Then there is another tier of businesses that have been in business for a while for whatever reason have not gone for DBE certification. We want to get those businesses certified as soon as possible and put them in the pool with the DBE."

Technical assistance is available for all Native American businesses looking for DBE certification through WisDOT.

"We provide special

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DBE goals

Tradition is still a winner





Lacrosse is the oldest sport in North America and rich with tradition. As seen below and left, members of the Oneida and Menominee Nations take part in a traditional lacrosse game that was played on Saturday September 16th at the Norbert Hill Center. Two games were played and a cook-out was served upon completion.

"Through our teachings, we provide and open address to acknowledge all of creation. Lacrosse is played for many purposes including healing someone ill," said Brian Doxtator.

Budget approved for 2007

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The General Tribal Council (GTC) approved the 2007 budget for Oneida with a vote of 55 to 28 and one abstention on Saturday, September 16th.

The $411,134,099 budget is down approximately $3.2 million from the 2006 budget due to fewer loans being applied for according to Oneida Business Committee Treasurer Mercie Danforth.

One change made at the budget meeting was reducing the Appeals Commission wage adjustment from a 7% increase to 3%.

The 2007 budget also included information on the gross profit versus the net profit for the casino, retail and other enterprises.

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Budget

Third rare white buffalo born on Wisconsin farm

By Emily Fredrix
Associated Press Writer

MILWAUKEE (AP) ~ A farm in Wisconsin is quickly becoming hallowed ground for American Indians with the birth of its third white buffalo, an animal considered sacred by many tribes for its potential to bring good fortune and peace.

"We took one look at it and I can't repeat what I thought but I thought, 'Here we go again,'" said owner Dave Heider.

Thousands of people stopped by Heider's Janesville farm after the birth of the first white buffalo, a female named Miracle who died in 2004 at the age of 10. The second was born in 1996 but died after three days.

Heider said he discovered the third white buffalo, a newborn male, after a storm in late August.

Over the weekend, about 50 American Indians held a drum ceremony to honor the calf, which has yet to be named, he said.

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Buffalo

US Senate gives its support for Artman's BIA nomination

By Bobbi Webster
Special to the Kalihwisaks

Carl Artman, former Chief Counsel for the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin received unanimous support from the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs in Washington, D.C. earlier this month for nomination to be the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of Interior. Artman is one of three Oneida who have served in this capacity. Robert L. Bennett served as the Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Aurene Martin, served as Assistant Secretary.

Artman was nominated by President Bush to serve in this position. He was required to first undergo an extensive background and security investigation before appearing in front of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. His nomination will now be attached to legislation before Congress for final approval. It is expected that his final approval will be the first week in October and an official swearing in will occur soon after.

Artman testified the reason he wanted this position to take on the challenges facing Tribes throughout the nation. Artman said "The challenges Indians and Alaskan Natives face today seem insurmountable. Yet, I see the determination and the potential of Indian and Alaskan Natives. Reservation populations are growing. Leaders are dinning in to the stem the spread of methamphetamines and the lawlessness that follows in its wake. Educators, Parents and police are learning to identify youth at-risk of committing suicide and interceding. Teachers at Tribal schools provide more with less. Inch by inch, Tribes are

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Carl Artman



Photo courtesy of Bobbi Webster

Carl Artman and Oneida Business Committee Vice Chairwoman Kathy Hughes prepare to testify before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

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Local

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assistance to Indian businesses to assist them with all sides of the business," Carr said.

According to Carr the crux of the program is to look at the 41 construction project in each of its separate pieces and find a way to help DBE's effectively compete for the pieces.

"Usually it was all a bundled contract that was given to a prime [contractor]," Carr said. "We decided we needed to have a much more transparent process and to make sure that we could help our minority business build their capacity 2-3-4 years out before the project."

In July of 2006 the WisDOT met with the Oneida Tribal Government to discuss the impact this project will potentially have on this community.

"We did an in-depth presentation of this project...we got into more specifically...the economic development and capacity building. We had a very long conversation about this aspect of the partnership agreement." Carr said.

"Every DOT project has DBE goals. It is basically the amount of participation we anticipate is available and can be successful completed based on the information we have, based on the number of businesses," Carr Notes.

University of Wisconsin Indian Law professor, Richard Monette is providing assistance in the area of tribal law to the WisDOT.

"These are things we need to become much more versed in at DOT. So we can afford everyone the opportunity that exists," Carr said. "We need to expand our portfolio of knowledge and part of that is expanding that portfolio in the area of tribal law and how it applies to transportation."

The 41 project will be widening US 41 from four lanes to six lanes along two stretches of road. The Winnebago county phase will see a stretch of 17 miles from Oshkosh north to Appleton redeveloped. The Brown county phase will effect a 14-mile stretch of highway from Scheuring road north to the Lineville road exit.

Colleen Harris, Planning/Programming Supervisor said, "In the last federal highway bill US 41 was designated an Interstate."

Business owners who are interested in becoming DBE certified can contact Gwen Carr by phone **(608)267-6693** or e-mail **gwen.carr@dot.state.wi.us**

For a related story, see page 5A "WisDOT American Indian business program helps first firm"

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reclaiming their land and the inherent rights of such ownership."

Artman concluded his remarks with a pledge to foster the growth of Tribal governments and acknowledged the potential of the sovereigns to motivate their communities. He shared his vision to bring the resources of the Department of Interior to the Tribes in an effort to propel them forward in the spirit of the seven generation philosophy.

Vice Chairwoman, Kathy Hughes also testified in support of Artman's nomination on behalf of the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin. Hughes testified, "The Oneida Tribe lauds the Department of Interior for considering an individual that has the experience working directly for and with Tribes. It is important for Tribes across the nation to have a Native in this position that understands and appreciates the complexity of being a sovereign within a sovereign and has experienced intergovernmental relations in a successful environment."

Chairman of the Committee, Senator John McCain, had to leave the hearing early, but spoke briefly in support of Carl Artman before the entire committee voted for unanimous support.

Carl's wife, Wendy and his 5 year old son Bennett along with his mother, were in attendance at the hearing. Carl is the son of the late Carl Artman Sr. and Carol (House) Artman, and great-grandson of the late Pearl and Walter House.

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Danforth

"There's that change that makes it look like (profits) did grow quite a bit." said Danforth.

The new budget was reached by using the Balance Scorecard initiative which is designed to give GTC members more input on future budgetary decisions.

"It's a changeable document to allow us to make the changes to meet the needs." said Danforth.

The Balanced Scorecard is a method of establishing Oneida Nation priorities based on tribal values. The goal is to get more input from the GTC earlier in the planning process rather than at the end during the approval stage.

"There are times that we asked the question, but didn't utilize the information. I want to make sure that when we ask the question, we have the pieces in place to utilize that information." said she said.

Danforth thanked everyone involved with the budget making process.

"It doesn't take just one person that can do it, it takes everyone to work together in doing that and it takes the whole organization to work together." she said.

Healthier lunch made with local foods

By Cathy Delgado
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Nation High School students finally got the opportunity to taste Oneida black Angus beef. They no longer need to say, 'where's the beef.'

On September 14 at 11:30 a.m. a Thanksgiving prayer was given by Randy Cornelius on behalf of the Oneida Living In Balance Team (OLB) and the Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS). The two programs put together a small presentation at the Oneida Nation High School to make a special acknowledgment to the Oneida Nation Farms who had donated the black Angus beef to the cafeteria as a way to promote healthier eating.

Tender beef tips over noodles, creamy mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, pea soup, strawberry short cake, build your own salad and milk were on the menu for the lunch that day.

John Christjohn a senior at the high school said, "The food was all natural and came from the Oneida Farm and it was the first time we get to eat it here and it was good."

For about five or six years the Oneida Nation Farm has been trying to get the Black Angus beef into the schools. After years of trying, there became a concern about the quality of the food served at the Oneida Nation High School. Students were not happy with the food and brought it to the attention of their parents. The empowerment came when the parents acknowledged the students concerns and rather than just complain decide to become proactive and created a positive change for the school. These parents became influential in improving the diets of the students and through research, meetings, goal setting, and input from the nutrition department became the development of OLB.

"We need to step up and I mean Tsyunhehkwa, the farm to provide our own foods and vegetables, besides white corn. We need to do our own berries and that's our responsibility" said Pat Cornelius, Oneida Nation Farms Manager.

"Today's meal was a celebration of the first step of integrating local foods into the school system" said Jill Martus-Ninham, Project

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Healthier Lunch



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

ONHS students are offered several food choices while in the lunch line, however there are rules when choosing lunch. 3 of the 5 main food groups must end up on students plates. Trisha Cottrell is preparing strawberry shortcake for students. Robert Danforth moves through the line.

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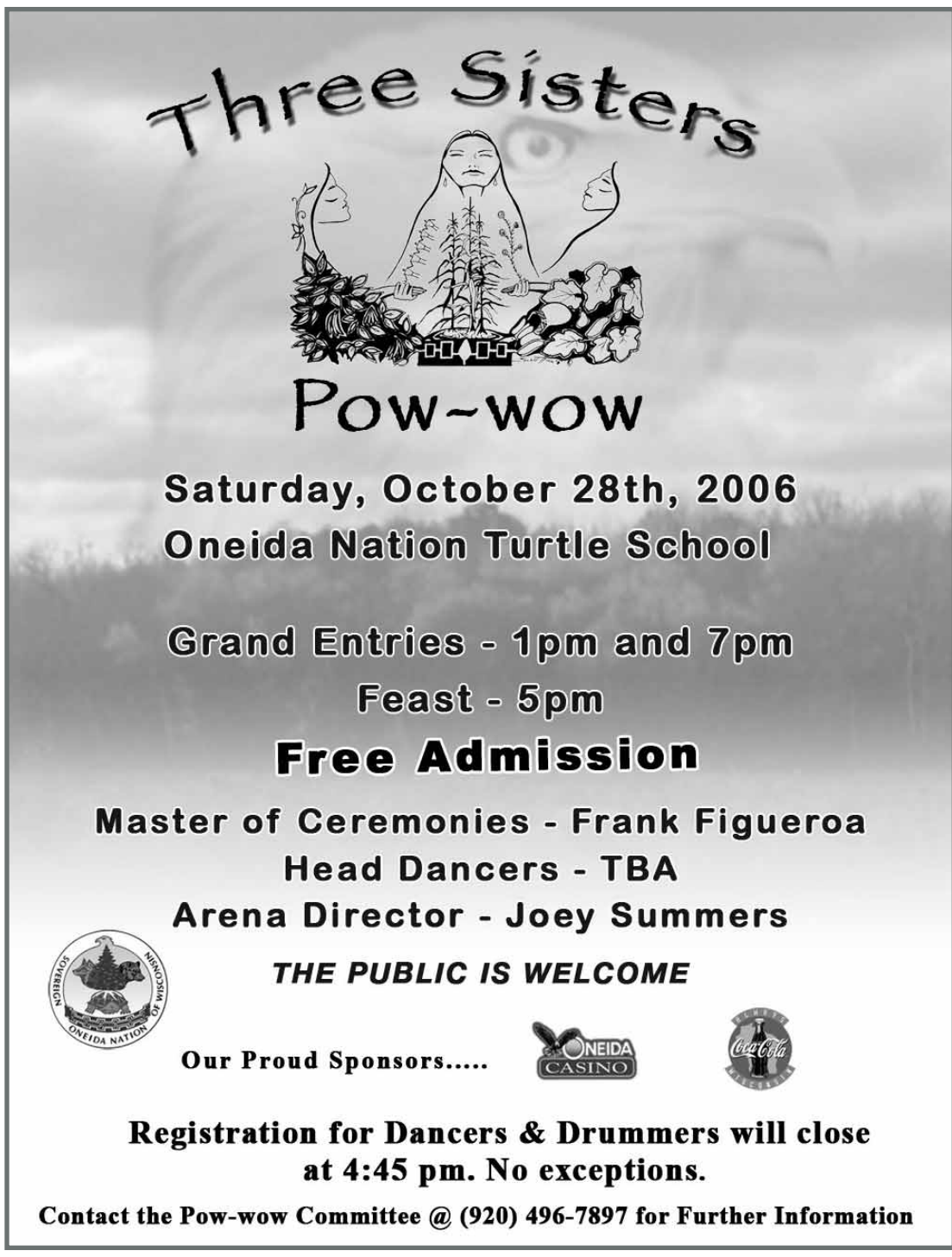
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Local

In Memory...

Chris C. Melchert

A loving husband, father, son, brother, and friend who gave up his ghost on 9-27-05



Life without you has been hard
My days go so slow
Many connections grow cold
When you're not there to hold

All the nights in my room
I realize I am alone
As I sit here and think of you
Remembering how life has been

Memories, I hope of this
How our life together was and still is
My life is hard, it shouldn't be
Because of the strength you've given me

God, only He
Will let me see
That one day things will be
Like it was, together again you and me

Missing you much
Your Family

In loving memory of

Sharon R. Lemerond

May, 24 1940 – October, 3 2005

Her journey's just begun

Don't think of her as gone away
Her journey's just begun
Life holds so many facets
This earth is only one

Just think of her as resting
From the sorrow and the tears
In a place of warmth
and comfort
Where there are no days
and years

Think how much she must be wishing
that we could know today
How nothing but our sadness
Can really pass away

And think of her as living
in the hearts of those she touched
for nothing loved is ever lost
And she was loved so much!

Loved and Missed by
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Caretakers Corner

AIRR: American Indian Records Repository

Suggested that tribes store inactive trust records at repository

By Carla Clark
Land Management

On August 23 & 24, 2006 two individuals from Land Management attended a Records Management Briefing in Minneapolis, Minnesota. This briefing was to provide tribes with information on safeguarding Tribal Records, specifically Indian Fiduciary Trust records. A fiduciary trust record is any document that reflects the existence of an Indian trust asset and is used in the management of an Indian trust asset (ITA) An Indian trust asset refers to land, natural resources, Indian Money accounts and other assets held in trust at a particular time by the Federal Government for a Tribe.

It was recommended that Tribes send their inactive trust records to the American Indian Records Repository (AIRR). There will be no cost to the Tribes for storage. Tribal Trust Records stored at the American Indian Records Repository remain in the legal custody of the Tribe. No one will be allowed to access the records without approval from the Tribe. All Tribal records are stored in a separate location then the Bureau of Indian Affair Records and Office of Special Trustee records. Requirements are a Tribal Resolution be sent to the Office of Special Trustee requesting that the Tribe be allowed to store the inactive Indian Fiduciary Trust Records at the American Indian Records Repository. Tribes must also provide an approved Record Schedule or adopt the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Office of Special Trustees Record Schedule. Tribes must provide a list of individuals that would be authorized to access their records. All requests for records retrieval will be processed through the American Indian Records Repository. All requests are processed that same day. Tribes that are interested may request to tour the American Indian Records Repository and they must contact their Office of Special Trustee Liaison for their region to set it up.

National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is the primary management of the American Indian Records Repository. AIRR opened on July 1, 2004 and currently stores the records for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Office of Special Trustees. Students from the Haskell University are involved in the management of the records. Curriculum in Records Management at Haskell University was initiated in 2005.

Office of Special Trustees for American Indian provides training for records management, assists Tribes with setting up a Record Schedule, and assists with development of an Emergency (Disaster) Plan to retrieve vital records. All participants were provided with a diskette with the BIA policies and procedures.

Any questions, please call Land Management @ 920-869-1690 and ask for Carla Clark or Steve Webster.



Kali's Delgado to recruit for Menominee Nation College

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Cathy Delgado has said goodbye to the Kalihwisaks and hello to her new position with the Menominee Nation.

Delgado said, "I'm going to be going over to the College of Menominee as the work-base coordinator. I will be recruiting high school students to the college and setting up programming for the college students to retain them."

She began her duties on Wednesday, September 27th.

Delgado has been working with youth and youth oriented programs for over 20 years.


Delgado

"I have worked for the Oneida Nation High School for six or seven years. Before that I worked in high schools for 15 years setting up services for [students] in the counseling field," said Delgado.

As a recent college graduate herself, Delgado feels better prepared for her new position. She has a degree from Fort Lewis College located in Durango, Colorado.

She said about her time with the Kalihwisaks, "I really enjoyed myself and working with the staff. I really enjoyed the camaraderie of the staff, how well we worked together and how we helped each other when it came time to go to print."

Delgado joined the Kalihwisaks staff in June as an emergency – temporary Reporter/Photographer.

Dept. of Public Works

Grounds keeping Update

The Grounds Keeping Department has recently hired a new manager. We all welcome Redmon Danforth, Jr. as the Grounds keeping Manager. Mr. Danforth has been in the Groundskeeping Department for 15 years, 5 years as a Groundskeeper and 10 years as a Supervisor.

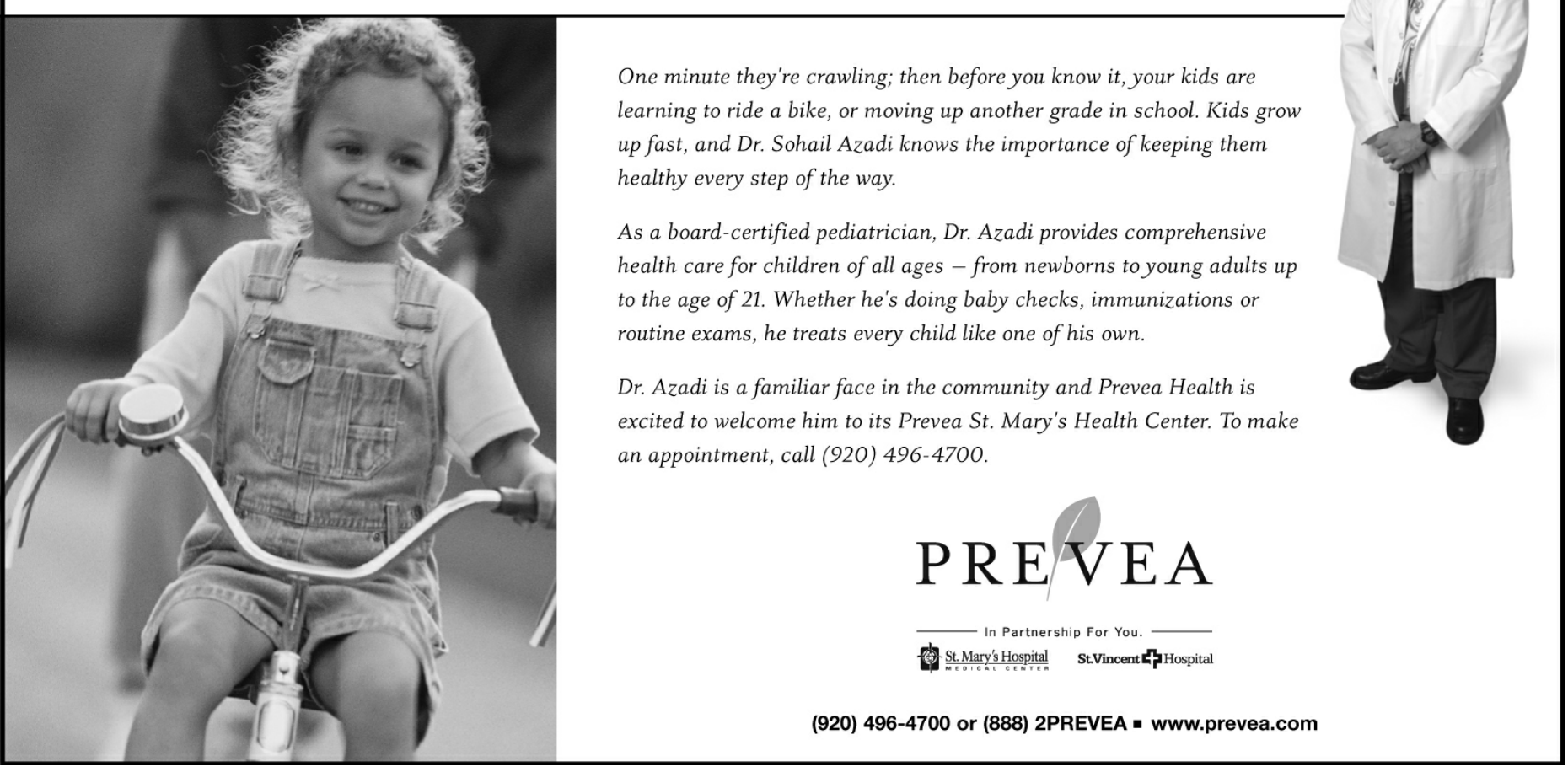
Since our move to 1237 Flight-Way Drive, there have been some changes. We currently have most of our equipment located at this site, as well as an inventory clerk that checks the tools & equipment out on a daily basis.

I would like to recognize all of the Grounds keeping staff for the excellent job they have done this summer and continue to do. We had two intern-students Isaiah Skenandore and Michael Skolaski, who were great workers. We would like to wish them good luck in their school year.

The Grounds keeping Department maintains approximately 250 acres of lawn on a weekly basis, along with various landscape projects that need to be taken care of. The department also maintains work order requests that come in on a daily basis.

Thanks again to our Grounds keeping guys and gals for the great job they do keeping the Tribal grounds looking good.

If you have any questions regarding the Grounds keeping Department we can be reached at 496-5970.



Local

Amerindian Center in Green Bay gets six month extension

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The United Amerindian Center (UAC) in Green Bay has received a six month extension from Indian Health Services (IHS).

A phone conference held with Dennis Murphy of IHS on Tuesday, September 12th stated the conditions for the organization to be considered for another five year grant.

"Basically, what (Murphy) wants and what IHS wants is the board to be fully functioning in our work, make sure all of our minutes are sent in on time signed by our secretary," said board member Elizabeth Fagan.

Other conditions include board training, revising the bylaws, filling two vacant board seats and filling the executive director position by November 30th.

The UAC had been informed August 16th that IHS would not renew the last year of their five year grant, a loss of $290,000. UAC board members stated at a public meeting held Tuesday, September 5th that board meeting minutes and executive reports were not being turned in to IHS on time resulting in the decision to end the grant.

UAC board members traveled to the regional IHS headquarters in Bemidji, Minnesota to persuade the organization to change their position.

The face-to-face meeting led to the September 12th phone conference.

"(IHS staff members) were very cooperative, they gave us a chance." said Fagan.

A public meeting will be held October 11th at 5:30pm at the Native Grounds Community Room at 235 N. Broadway in downtown Green Bay. Elections will be held at that time for board members.

Correction

In the September 14th issue of the Kalihwisaks, there was a paragraph in the story "Amerindian Center fighting for funding" that stated that the UAC had received a letter from IHS that said IHS was cutting off the grant because former executive director David Webster and former board secretary Tania Cornelius failed to send in board minutes. Rather, the letter only stated that funding was being cut off. Statements made by UAC board members at the public meeting held September 12th blamed Webster, Cornelius and two other former board members for not sending board minutes. Managing editor of the Kalihwisaks Dawn Walschinski apologizes for the error.

Doxtator wins seat on NICOA

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks


Doxtator

Clifford Doxtator has been elected to the National Indian Council on Aging (NICOA) as the Minneapolis Area representative.

"I thought I could help our Native American people on different issues," said Doxtator on why he decided to run for the position.

As part of his duties, Doxtator will meet with elderly Native Americans in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan.

"I have to visit the areas to find out what their concerns are." he said, adding that he plans to actively look for grant monies to help meet the needs of those in his region.

Some concerns he listed on his application to run for the seat are "Health Care, Nutrition and Impact of decreasing funding for Elder Care programs with an ever increasing population."

Doxtator is currently serving his third term on the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging (ONCOA) and has been very active as a volunteer with various community groups.

The election was held September 18th in Tulsa, Oklahoma at NICOA's 30th annual convention.

Calendar

October 8

2nd Annual Benefit Trail Ride/Drive or Walk
WHEN: Sunday, October 8th
PLACE: N5367 Mayflower Road, Shiocton, Wis. (Watch for signs)
TIME: 10 am - registration 11 am – ride
$20.00 per person or $50.00 per family. All Proceeds will benefit the Chaps Academy, providing equine (horse)-assisted counseling services to individuals, families and groups who are experiencing difficulties at home, school, work or in the community as a result of behavioral or emotional problems. Silent Auction, Pig Roast Dinner and lots more.

October 14

Staber Burr Benefit
WHEN: Saturday, October 14, 2006 • 1 P.M. – 6 P.M.
PLACE: Brown County Golf Course
Come join friends and family of Staber Burr as we gather to support him through his difficult time. Live Auction, Silent Auction, Raffles, Hole-in-One contest with a chance to win $10,000. There will be music, cash bar and complimentary hors d'oreurves.

October 18

Community Meeting on Maple Sugaring
WHEN: October 18, 2006
PLACE: Parish Hall
Meal at 5 PM and 6 PM Photo History, Heifer International Introduction, Cordwood building demo. For more information contact Sylvia at 496-5352

November 4-11

VFW Fish Fry Lunch
WHEN: Oct. 4th, from 1100 - 1400 hrs
PLACE: Oneida VFW Post 7784
Price - $6.00 Come on out and support our Oneida VFW Post!!!

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
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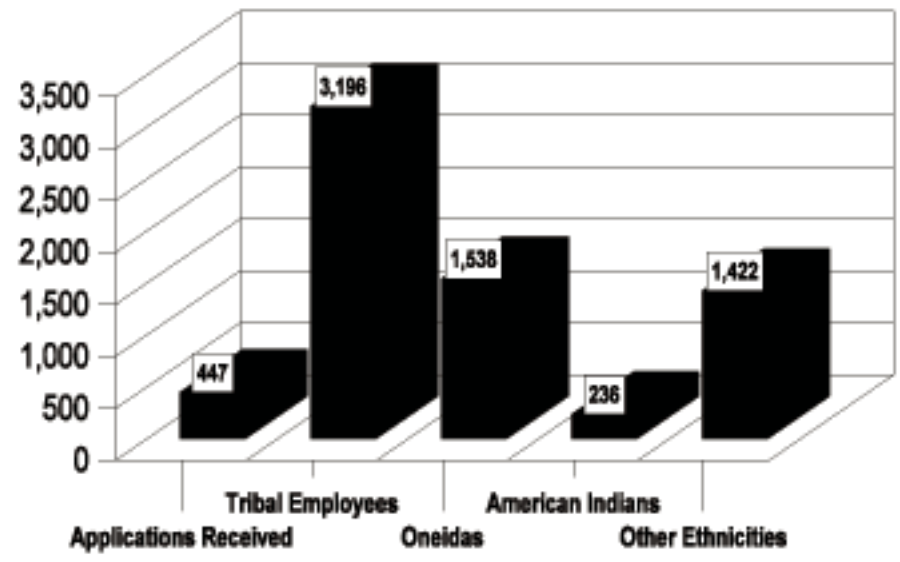
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4. Oneida Tribal Application - can be downloaded in Adobe format and/or Word Perfect

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Oneida Tribal Employment Stats

September 1, 2006



Job Opportunities

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- Recreation Specialist - Arts & Crafts - Oneida Recreation G-5 $27,290 Closing Date = October 2, 2006
- Counselor/Administrator - Vocational Rehab-6 $58,156
- Gaming Trainer - Employee Services G-7 $34,216 Closing Date = October 9, 2006
- Mental Health Psychotherapist (LTE) - Behavioral Health G-11 $52,873 Closing Date = October 9, 2006
- Community Health Staff Nurse - Health Center - G-10 $48,068 Closing Date = October 12, 2006
- Training & Curriculum Analyst - Employee Services (Gaming) G-9 $42,910 Closing Date = October 9, 2006
- Cage/Vault Supervisor - Gaming G-7 $34,216 Closing Date = October 16, 2006
- Ombudsperson - Governmental Administration G-9 $42,910 Closing Date = October 17, 2006

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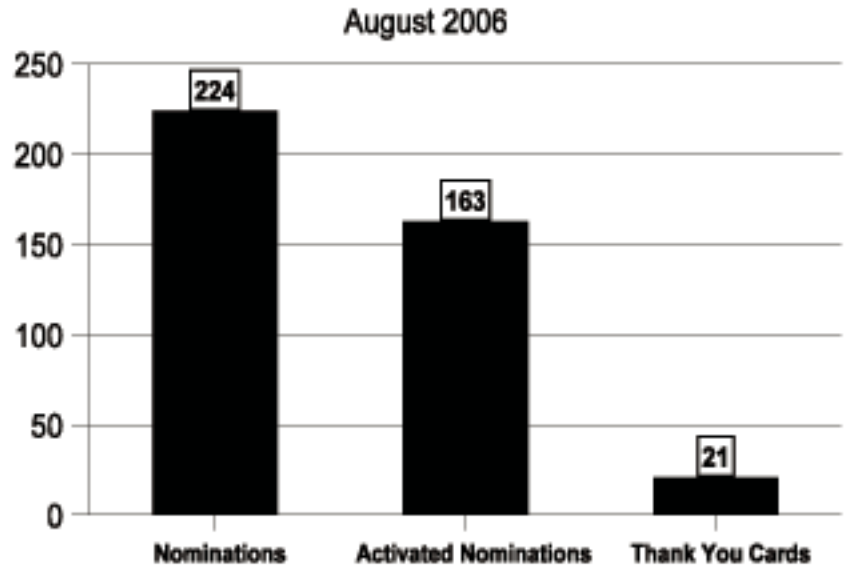
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Excellence In Action

August 2006



Business

Pow-wows to the IMAC Frybread Heaven is still cookin'

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Mary Ann Hendricks and Kelly Metoxen are the owners of Frybread Heaven, a restaurant located in the Irene Moore Activity Center (IMAC) Casino. Although the restaurant has a permanent home now, it wasn't always that simple. The two began business on the Pow-wow trail.

"We started out with a food concession stand. We would go do pow-wows all over the Midwest and I started out doing it by myself," Hendricks said.

Hendricks began the business with her sister, the late Anne Skenandore.

"I went on the pow-wow trail with my sister who owned Ann's World. We kind of traveled together and then, like within the first two pow-wows that we went to, she had a heart-attack and died," Hendricks recalls.

It was at this point that she and Metoxen began their partnership on the pow-wow trail.

"Kelly worked for [Skenandore] and then he came to me and said 'do you need help?' which I drastically did," Hendricks said.

At that time Metoxen's mother, Jamie Metoxen, and aunt, Darlene Meconish, owned Frybread Heaven, a stand at Indian Summer.

"They told us we could use that name, which we were real happy about, because I like that name better than what we had," Hendricks said.

According to Hendricks, the duo traveled the pow-wow circuit from 1992 - 2001 and used 400-800 lbs. of dough every week.

The pair began to feel the effects of the road and decided they needed to find a permanent home.

"It really got to be a lot of work physically. We both had to have carpel tunnel surgery from stretching so much frybread," Hendricks noted.

Metoxen and Headrick found their new home in 2001 at the IMAC Casino Bingo Hall area. The two won the bidding process for the space and have been there since.

Frybread Heaven, according to Hendricks, makes its dough fresh daily from a secret recipe given to them from Metoxen's aunt. They now go through approximately 80-100 lbs of dough per week.

The permanent restaurant has a lot of advantages over working the pow-wow trail and it give the owners an opportunity to provide jobs to the community.

"Every thing is in one spot and the set-up is so nice. I have excellent workers and all my workers are Indian. I don't do that on purpose, but it just so happens that they all happen to be Indian," Hendricks said.



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Now located in the IMAC Casino, Frybread Heaven serves up hot and cold foods seven days a week. Favorites like Indian Tacos and blanket dogs can be ordered along side other choices like a cheese curds or popcorn.

It is apparent that Hendricks appreciates and thinks very highly of her staff.

"I just want to stress that I have the best employees, because they are all fantastic," Hendricks said.

The menu at Frybread Heaven offers a variety of choices. There is a number of frybread items such as Indian Tacos, blanket dogs, hamburgers on frybread, frypies or plain frybread. Funeral sandwiches are made at Frybread Heaven daily along with a daily special. In addition to all that, traditional restaurant items like hamburgers, hotdogs, appetizers, chips, fruit, juice, soda, etc. are offered.

"There are people here who never knew what frybread was and now they come up here and say 'we are totally addicted to this frybread. We have to have it every day,'" Hendricks said.

Frybread Heaven is open daily from 8am to 9pm with an additional hour of operation on Fridays when they are open from 8am to 10pm.

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Half of U.S. Businesses Are Home-Based

Submitted by Mike Bergman
U.S. Census Bureau

Almost half (49 percent) of the nation's businesses are operated from home, and more than 6-in-10 owners used their own money to start the business, according to new U.S. Census Bureau reports on characteristics of businesses and business owners.

"Home-based businesses collectively generated a remarkable amount of economic activity, especially for women and minorities," said Census Bureau

Director Louis Kincannon. "Just released data also show most businesses are started by people and families who dig into their own pockets."

Home-based businesses made up 56 percent of American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms, 56 percent of women-owned firms, 53 percent of black-owned firms, 53 percent of Native Hawaiian- and Pacific Islander-owned firms, and 45 percent of Hispanic-owned firms. In contrast, 2-in-3 Asian-owned firms reported they conducted business from nonresidential locations.

-Top industries for home-based businesses were: professional, scientific and technical services, construction, and retail trade and other services (such as personal services, and repair and maintenance).

- People using their own

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Census

American Indian Economic Fund (AIEDF) to offer Indian Entrepreneur class

The American Indian Economic Fund (AIEDF) will be holding their fall Indian Entrepreneur Class at the Fortune Bay Casino, Tower MN. This 33 hour class will run for two weekends with the first class being held October 20-22 and the second part of the class being held on November 3-5, 2006. Students must attend both weekends to complete the course.

The AIEDF is a nonprofit agency who is positioned to help American Indian entrepreneurs by providing individualized, culturally-relevant business education as well as counseling and mentoring throughout the loan process. The AIEDF provides culturally sensitive financial technical assistance. They arrange and facilitate meetings between the entrepreneur and the main lender. Participate in the loan proves by providing gap funds at below-market interest rates and act as an advocate for the interests of the entrepreneur throughout the application, approval and repayment process.

The Fund makes loans to men and women who are creating or expanding retail, services and manufacturing business - all of which hire American Indians as employees.

If you are interested in starting a business or expanding an existing business and would like more information about the entrepreneur class or want to request an application for the class, please call 651-917-0819.

WisDOT American Indian business program helps first firm

New program seeks to build capacity among Native American businesses

A new Native American business development program at the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has successfully assisted its first firm. Four Directions, Inc., a landscape clearing firm from Lac du Flambeau, worked through WisDOT's American Indian Business Capacity Project to receive technical assistance in financial record keeping, tax issues and general bookkeeping. Four Directions followed up by successfully working as a subcontractor on a WisDOT clearing project in Oconto County.

"We are encouraged to see this new program yield its first success story," noted WisDOT Deputy Secretary Ruben Anthony, Jr., who plays an active role in the department's minority business development issues. "It is important that we increase the capabilities of small and emerging firms in Wisconsin to help keep the industry competitive, and to ensure that the entire state benefits from transportation investments."

WisDOT is conducting the project in partnership with the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin (AICCW), the American Indian Construction and Trades Association (AICTA) and First American Capital Corporation (FACC). The first two organizations provided technical training to Four Directions, while FACC provided a working capital loan to the firm that has since been repaid.

The American Indian Business Capacity Project is managed through WisDOT's Tribal Liaison office. The program is serving as a national model of how a successful cooperative project of this nature can make a difference in Native American construction businesses.

"If we could take experienced contractors and evolve them into a mentor protégé program and help fund their contracts, this would create more job opportunities and wealth creation for American Indian contractors" commented Craig Anderson, AICCW Executive Director. "The direction that WisDOT and AICCW has taken is proving that we are creating a positive and meaningful impact to the Native American community."

The AICCW is currently involved in a research project with WisDOT and the University of Wisconsin to identify potential American Indian DBE's in Wisconsin. This project will give American Indian contractors technical assistance, DBE certification assistance, capacity building, access to much needed financial resources and give Indian firms more opportunities to participate on a variety of transportation projects.

State/National



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...

General Tribal Council met Saturday, September 16th and approved the Budget for Fiscal Year 2007. Many comments were made at Saturday's meeting, and the community meetings held prior to Saturday that the Treasurer and Management made notes from for follow up. A lot of work, by a lot of staff, went into preparing a balanced budget for the Tribe and because of their diligence and the support of the GTC we can begin the new fiscal year with no slow downs.

An Oneida Veterans Memorial has been in discussion for several years now. The FY 2007 budget included an amount toward the cost of the memorial. The Oneida Nation Veterans Advisory Council (ONVAC) is heading up this endeavor and has made significant progress toward finalizing the design for the memorial but did not have enough information to provide an estimated cost to the Treasurer, so the amount in the budget is simply a start, with future requests for an additional amount being anticipated.

The Walk of Legends is one of the projects in this budget that was scrutinized. This is a multi-year project the Tribe is doing in conjunction with the Artist (Sandi Campbell of Aspire, LC) who came up with the designs. It is not a partnership with the Green Bay Packers, who have had no input whatsoever. There are many advantages to this project, the least of which is the opportunity for education and awareness of the cultural diversity we add to the community and the ability to clarify misguided information. It adds to the environment for working together and promoting long term enhancements to our community. Tourism is a key to the economy for this community and for the Tribe. It is certainly true the dollars spent on this project could be used to support a tribal service in need now but the long term value from this project will improve our ability to increase revenue in other areas that will have a positive impact on those services into the future.

This month I traveled to Washington DC to submit testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs for the confirmation hearing to appoint Carl Artman as the Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs. President Bush nominated Carl for appointment to this position last month and the confirmation hearing was one of the final steps needed for Congress to finalize the appointment. Carl Artman was our Chief Counsel, overseeing the Oneida Law Dept., and left us to work as Assistant Solicitor in the Dept. of Interior. I am sure his appointment will be approved by Congress and we will once again have an Oneida Tribal Member heading up the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The last time this occurred was when Robert L. Bennett was appointed as the first Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Congratulations to Carl Artman!

The last scheduled Land Claims Community meeting took place on Sept. 27, 2006. No further meetings are scheduled at this time. The activities surrounding our land claims settlement have slowed done due to the election issues in New York. Gov. Pataki is not running again so we will be dealing with a new governor. As things begin to move we will then schedule further meetings to update you with information.

As with New York, election activities are of concern to us here in Wisconsin. This is the season when it is almost impossible to open a newspaper or turn on the T.V. and not hear something from or about a candidate running for office. And I can be no different. I know it will get awfully tiring before Nov. 7th comes around but I cannot stress how very important it is for you to become familiar with the Candidates and how their election to office may impact the Tribe. We do not expect to elect anyone who will be in total agreement with the Tribe on philosophy or issues. But it is perfectly reasonable to expect the person to be open minded enough to allow for communication. Your vote will be extremely important in determining who will represent us in the 8th Congressional District and in the Governor's Office.

Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

Letters...

Reigning Miss Oneida Update

Hello! My name is Iris Rae Metoxen, and I am the reigning Miss Oneida of 2006-2007.



I'm 18 yrs old and will be attending UW Oshkosh as a freshman this fall. I'll be majoring in Criminal Justice and Medical Technology.

My parents are Tina Pospychala, the Asst. Director of Elderly Services; and Jeff Metoxen, the Manager at Tsyunhehkwa. My grandparents are the late Raymond Pospychala, Robin and Bill Emmerton & Lida and Roy Metoxen.

So far since I've been crowned, I've had the opportunity and the great pleasure of meeting the Business Committee and attended the following events: The Walk of Legends, Faith in Action Family Picnic, Culture Days at the Oneida Museum, Oneida's 4th of July Parade, Oneida's Annual Pow-Wow, Get to Know the Oneidas' Commercial shoot, Relay for Life, Green Bay Packer Family Fun Night, and Art Street.

My platform is education against drunk driving. I plan to hold a sobriety night for teens, where they will come and spend the night in a fun and safe environment, without any alcohol. And sometime in the near future, I'd also like to do a presentation to the community of how drunk driving has personally affected me.

As I bring my first article to a close, I'd like to say I'm very honored to be Miss Oneida and I hope to represent our great nation in a way that will make you all proud. In closing I would just like to say Congratulations to Jr. Miss Oneida Racheal Ninham and Li'l Miss Oneida Tianna Hackett. I just know we are going to have a great time during our reign together.

Iris Rae Metoxen
Miss Oneida 2006-2007

Reigning Jr. Miss Oneida Update

Sheku,



My name is Racheal Ninham. My Oneida name is Yakoliwhiyo which means she has good words. I am 16 years old and will be attending the Oneida Nation High School (Go Thunderhawks!!). I'll be a junior this year (almost done - YES!) I am the oldest of four (4) children - Paige, 11; Tabbitha, 7; and Jacob, 1 which is just great. You know the saying: first come, first served. I wish that was the case. My wonderful mother is Lisa Martinez and my father is Theodore Ninham. My grandparents are David and Shirley Green and Edith and the late Abraham Ninham.

So far I have proudly attended the Oneida Walk of Legends where I was participated in the groundbreaking with some very important people. I also attended the 29th Annual Oneida Cultural Days, my very first parade which was awesome, the 34th Annual Oneida Pow Wow, the 20th Anniversary of the Radisson Hotel, Relay for Life, the 8th Annual Diabetes Event, Packer Family Fun Night (this was a blast), a congratulatory dinner hosted by Jim Martin of the J. Dalton Institute, Artstreet, and Indian SummerFest.

Last but not least, I would like to thank the Miss Oneida Committee for their guidance and being there for me. And I would especially like to thank the Oneida Nation for allowing me to represent the Oneida Tribe of Jr. Miss Oneida 2006-2007.

Yaw^ko.
Racheal Ninham
Jr. Miss Oneida 2006-07

Do we have a voice?

Dear Oneida General Tribal Council…

Was that a Budget meeting? or was it a staff meeting? I'm wondering…do we have a voice? If we do…is it heard?

Respectfully,
Mindimoye

Legislative Update

Introduction

Tribal sovereignty is defined in Indian treaties with the United States. Most of the treaties guarantee that tribes will be secure in their lands and enjoy the rights of self-governance. Without adherence to the treaties, Indian tribes:

1. Would have no land base and no right to put land into trust.
2. Would not enjoy any rights of self-governance.
3. The federal government would have no special responsibilities to tribes, thus placing tribes completely at the mercy of the various states.
4. The jobs that casinos and federal funded programs create for Indian people would not exist (For Oneidas, approximately 1600 Oneida people work for the Oneida Tribe).

Attacks on Sovereignty or "Who are the Real Land Grabbers."

In a recent Green Bay Press Gazette article, a local politician accused the Oneida Tribe of being "land grabbers" because of the Tribe's policy of purchasing lands within our Reservation boundaries and requesting that the land be placed into trust status in accordance to Federal law. Aside from many Indian people wanting to laugh at that politician's ignorance, perhaps it's time to reflect on our treaty of 1838 which provided us with a reservation of 65,000 acres, of which, by the late 1970's, all but a few acres had been lost via questionable federal legislation and even more questionable local land schemes.

But the locals have not been alone in the attack against tribal sovereignty. In the 1980s, the Cayuga Nation of New York thought they had won the right to at least a cash settlement for the illegal loss of their lands. But the current U.S. Supreme Court decided otherwise and ended forever, the Cayugas' quest for a just land settlement. The Court, in its decision, said that the Cayugas had waited too long to bring their case to court (Until the late 1940's, Indian tribes were prohibited from filing a land claim in Federal court).



Councilman
Ed Delgado

But the loss of Tribal lands has not been the only area in which tribal sovereignty has been attacked. At one time, as the treaties provided, tribes enjoyed the right to govern themselves in accordance with their own laws and customs. But again, those rights, over the years, have been severely diminished to the point that here on the Oneida Reservation, our people are almost completely at the mercy of the local governmental courts and other administrative agencies (of special note, local governmental entities determine the future of our Oneida children in Indian Child Welfare cases and local governments collect all fines for traffic violations within our Reservation boundaries).

Pushing back

Although the land claims movements have not been doing very well due to the decisions of an ultra conservative U.S. Supreme Court, over the past twenty-five years, many tribes have initiated movements to protect their rights of self-government and have even began to push back the restraints placed on them by federal and local entities (in 1982, the Oneida Tribe directed the Oneida Business Committee to develop a Tribal Court).

Tribal courts are essential in the exercise of self-governance in Indian Country. How many Indian people would feel secure if their Tribal Councils or Business Committees both created and interpreted the law. In many tribes, the placement of their own children is now determined by their own court; and ever increasing number of tribal courts are now hearing domestic relations cases in order to protect tribal women and children; and, here in Wisconsin, the Red Cliff Band of Chippewa Indians now has jurisdiction over their roads and highways and are able to adjudicate and collect fines for traffic citations in their court.

Finally, what direction Tribal sovereignty will go, is to a large part, up to us as Indian people. We can sit back and allow our sovereignty to be eroded. History tells us that local non-Indian communities and the Federal government would be more than willing to govern us, take care of our children for us and interpret our laws for us. However, I am not of that bend, and I do not believe that the Oneida people are of that bend either. In the very near future, it is my belief that the Oneida people will gather and approve a Tribal Court for the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

VOTE

Recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions have all but destroyed the land claim rights of Indian people. The continued well being of Indian nations throughout the United States is dependent on changing that court and that can only be done by Indian people voting in local, state and federal elections. I encourage all Indian people to study the issues pertaining to Indian sovereignty and make a determination as to which candidate and which party would best protect the sovereignty we all depend on as we lead our daily lives as Indian people. Thanks for listening.

Moving back home to Oneida was best decision

Shekolih,

My name is Karen Valentino and I just wanted to write and thank the Oneida Tribe for helping me make the biggest and best move I could of made for me and my children. I moved to Green Bay from Chicago back in March and I was astounded when I found out how much the tribe is willing to help if you are willing to help yourself. Being a single mother of two and not knowing what was in store, I am so glad the tribe was there to help me out. When I moved up here, I had nothing. Now I have a three-bedroom house through Oneida Housing. I also have a good job working for the tribe. With that all situated, I finally signed up to go back to school starting in January '07. I want to give a special thanks to some people that I think went out of their way to help me, which are: Alice Severson, Debbi Balli, Sandy Skenadore, Wanita Decorah, Lisa Vega and Scott Denny. I really appreciate all the help I received for my family.

Yaw^ko
Karen Valentino

Participation is appreciated

Sweku Akweku,

I would like to thank the community for participating in the Lacrosse game and Community Feast on Saturday, September 16. A special yawa'ko to the following individuals that helped make this event a success: Randy Cornelius, Ken Metoxen, Kilabrew VanDyke, Kevin Shilka, Brenda Kindness-Baird, Nicole (Kalana) Brooks, John Teller Sr., C.A.P.P.S, Coca-Cola, Reinhart Foods, Jed Schaht, Lisa Behrenger, Diane Jourdan, DPW, G.L.I.S., Conservation, Kaliwisaks, and members from the Menominee and Oneida Communities. I would also like to take a moment to thank Brian Doxtator for all of his help. Without Brian, this event would not have been possible.

Yawa'ko,
Dionne Jacobs

For more information on 'Letters to the editor' contact: Dawn Walschinski at 920.869.4277 or email: dwalschi@oneidanation.org

State/National

From Page 2A *Healthier lunch*

Coordinator for Tsyunhehkwa.

Tsyunhehkwa plans on looking at what the need is in terms of the quantities. They raise vegetables, raspberries, beef, chicken and eggs. These are things that can be supplied to the school system once the evaluation is completed. Modifications to follow the USDA certification program will also be a factor.

The Oneida Farms include the Apple Orchard. The farm is hoping that the orchard would supply pumpkins, squash, and raspberries in the future. They currently have apple products which include apple juice, apple cider and dried apples that can all qualify for a healthy snack.

The OLB will be approaching the Business Committee to request funding for the schools to cover an afternoon snack. Part of the reasoning is that some students involved in after school sports do not have time to go home and eat before practice and sometimes have about six or more hours before they have their evening meal. The cost to cover an afternoon snack for the year is $177,000 which would be for kindergarten through 12th grade.

Part of the change not only came from the students but the education and awareness of Annette Cornelius who attends classes at UWGB in nutrition.

The OLB's mission is the team will work together to increase awareness of the effects of food choices on health and well being in the Oneida community and to promote healthy lifestyles and food sovereignty through organizational policy and procedure change where possible.

There are currently 22 individuals on this team and would welcome the community's input and joining the committee. They are a volunteer committee put together by community people and employees. To have input or assist in any way you can contact Sylvia Cornelius-Waupoose, Team Facilitator at the Environmental Health and Safety Division at **scornel2@oneidanation.org**

Scenes from SEOTS – Budgets and Indian Summer



Photos courtsey of Debbi Ushakow

Left: Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) hosted a Budget Meeting, Thursday, September 14th. The three hour meeting was attended by over 40 Oneida tribal members. Key personnel presented charts and graphs and answered questions from those attending.



Right: Thanks to all the SEOTS Indian Summer Volunteers! Laura Harrison, Lisa Chojnacki and Jodie Neinhaus manned the stand to distribute information about the services offered at SEOTS at the festival held September 8th-10th a the Summerfest Grounds on the shore of Lake Michigan.

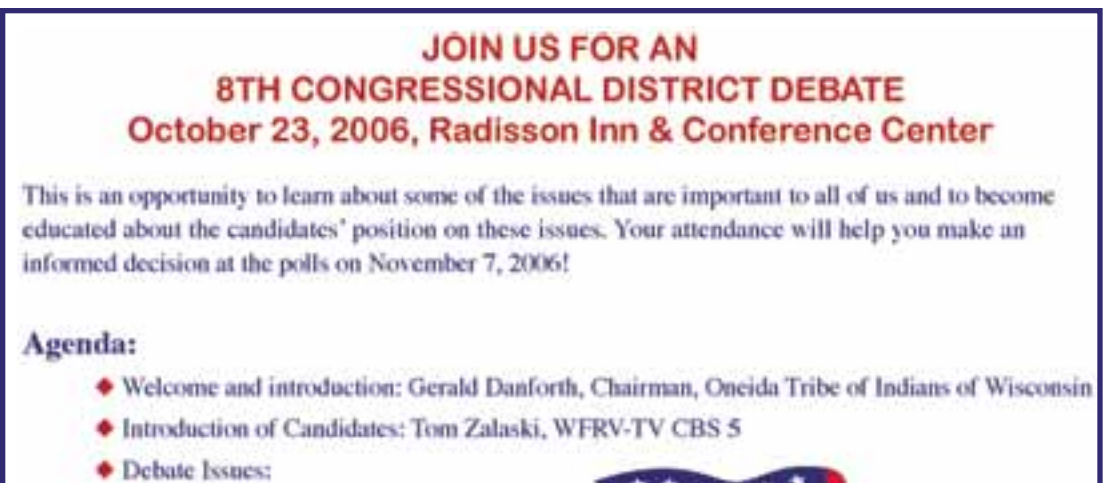
Oneida hosts Canidate Forum with AARP



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Oneida co-hosted a Candidate Forum with the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Tuesday morning, September 26th at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center. The event focused on issues concerning older adults.

Left: State Assembly man Tom Nelson addresses the attendees of the forum.



From Page 5A

Census

money or family assets for business startups included 77 percent for businesses with paid employees and 59 percent for

businesses with no paid employees.

-- Top industries for these "self-made" businesses were: accommodation and

food services (79 percent), manufacturing (78 percent), wholesale trade (74

percent) and retail trade (72 percent).

-- Nearly 3-in-10 (28 percent) of all entrepreneurs started or acquired

their business with no capital at all.

-- Nearly 1-in-10 U.S. businesses both employer firms and nonemployer firms were started by owners who used personal or business credit cards to finance the startup or acquisition.

Business owners are highly educated, 3-in-10 are over 55 and 14 percent are veterans.

-- In 2002, 64 percent of business owners had at least some college education at the time they started or acquired ownership in their business, 23 percent had a bachelor's degree and 17 percent had a graduate degree. Just over 1-in-4 owners had a high school education or less.

From Page 1A *Buffalo*

Floyd "Looks for Buffalo" Hand, a medicine man in the Oglala Sioux Tribe in Pine Ridge, South Dakota, said it was fate that the white buffaloes chose one farm, which will likely become a focal point for visitors, who make offerings such as tobacco and dream catchers in the hopes of earning good fortune and peace.

"That's destiny," he said. "The message was only choose one person."

The white buffalo is particularly sacred to the Cheyenne, Sioux and other nomadic tribes of the Northern Plains that once relied on the buffalo for subsistence.

According to a version of the legend, a white buffalo, disguised as a woman wearing white hides, appeared to two men. One treated her with respect, and the other didn't. She turned the disrespectful man into a pile of bones, and gave the respectful one a pipe and taught his people rituals and music. She transformed into a female white buffalo calf and promised to return again.

That this latest birth is a male doesn't make it any less significant in American Indian prophecies, which say that such an animal will reunite all the races of man and restore balance to the world, Hand said. He said the buffalo's coat will change from white to black, red and yellow, the colors of the various races of man, before turning brown again.

The birth of a white male buffalo means men need to take responsibility for their families and the future of the tribe, Hand said.

The odds of a white buffalo are at least 1 in a million, said Jim Matheson, assistant director of the National Bison Association. Buffalo in general have been rare for years, thought their numbers are increasing, with some 250,000 now in the U.S., he said.

Many people, like Heider, choose to raise the animals for their meat, which is considered a healthier, low-fat alternative to beef.

Gary Adamson, 65, of Elkhorn, who is of Choctaw and Cherokee heritage, said tribal elders will help interpret the animal's significance.

"There are still things that need to be done, and Miracle's task wasn't quite done yet, and we feel there's

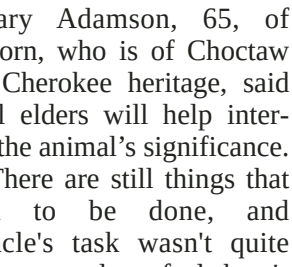
Elder Bingo

Hosted by
Oneida Housing Authority

WHEN: Monday, October 2nd, 2006
Monday, October 16th
Monday, October 30th
Monday, November 13th
Monday, November 27th
Monday, December 11th
Monday, December 18th

TIME: 1 p.m.

WHERE: Site II Building
W1144 Park Dr.



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Sport

T-Hawks drop to 1-3 for season



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy
Nick Cantu #21 (left) eludes would-be tacklers on a kick-off return in the third quarter. Darrell Skenandore #10 (below) rushes for a 19-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter. The Zephyrs took their first victory at the expense of the Thunderhawks on Friday, September 22.



By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Thunderhawks drop another game this season to bring them to a record of 1-3 with four games left to play.

On Friday, September 22 the Thunderhawks took on the St. Mary Central (SMC) Zephyrs at Oneida and fell to a score of 43 to 12.

The Zephyrs started out strong, outscoring the T-Hawks 12-0 in the first quarter. SMC botched a point after attempt on the first touchdown and missed on a 2-point conversion attempt on the second touchdown to leave them at 12 points for the quarter.

Oneida recovered a muffed punt with :42 seconds left in the 1st quarter deep in Zephyr territory. Unfortunately, eight seconds into the second quarter the Thunderhawks fumbled it back to SMC. The Zephyrs scored two more touchdowns and a field goal in the second quarter to finish the half with a 30-0 lead.

The third quarter was a back-and-forth battle of field position that finally saw SMC increase their lead by seven with a touchdown with 5:09 left to play in the quarter. The score was 37-0 at the end of three.

By rule, with a lead of 35 or more points the clock cannot be stopped except for official purposes.

The Thunderhawks finally got on the board early in the fourth quarter with a 19-yard touchdown run by Darrell Skenandore. The 2-point conversion was missed and the T-Hawks now only trailed by 31 points.

The Zephyrs changed out the varsity team for the junior varsity team mid-way through the fourth quarter.

SMC would score again with 5:50 left to play.

Oneida would not quit and managed to put up six more points late in the fourth. The long pass play from Skenandore to Nick Cantu was the Thunderhawks longest play from scrimmage.

The game ended with a final of SMC 43 and Oneida 12.

This was the first victory of the year for the Zephyrs.

The next two games for the Thunderhawks will be Friday, September 29th at Brookfield Academy and on Friday, October 6th at Sevastopol. Both games are scheduled to kick-off at 7pm.

The Thunderhawks will be back for their Homecoming game on Friday the 13th against Stock bridge.

Date set for Boo Bash at Site I

Come and enjoy the 2006 Oneida Recreation Boo Bash for families with youth ages 0-8. This special event will take place on Friday, October 27, 2006. Please park at the Site I Baseball field where our spooky bus will pick you up and drop you off at the Civic Center where you can enter the Costume Contest and weave through our trick or treat maze. Prizes will be awarded for the 1st - 5th place in each of the following age groups & categories.

Age Groups: 0-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

The categories include: Funniest, Scariest, Superhero, Fairy Tale, and Most creative.

Each child may only enter one of the categories at the registration table. Final entries will be taken at 7:30 pm SHARP!

For more information, please contact Kim at **833-0010.**



Fall Teen Programs at Oneida Rec

Submitted by Kyle Casper
Recreation Lead

The Civic Center and County H facilities are teaming up to offer cooperative Teen Programming for the Fall Season. Each night on Tuesdays through Friday the facilities will combine programming to better serve our teens. Transportation will be provided from each facility to the other on each night if you would like to attend. The Teen Programs will be from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m..

Tuesday nights will be Social Recreation game night at County H. Join in on the fun of playing games such as Family Feud or Price is Right. Participate in Pool tournaments or video games. Just come to hang out and have fun with friends.

Wednesday nights will be Teen Basketball at the Civic Center. We will play basketball games, so come out and get some exercise and have fun playing with friends.

Thursday nights will be Teen/Adult Football League at the Civic Site I Fields. Teams have already been formed but you can still come out and cheer the teams on and enjoy watching football.

Friday nights will be Movie night at County H. You can enjoy a movie on the big screen TV and enjoy some snacks and beverages.

If you have any questions contact the Kyle at **869-6288** or County H at **833-0010.**

October is going to be "Spook"-tacular

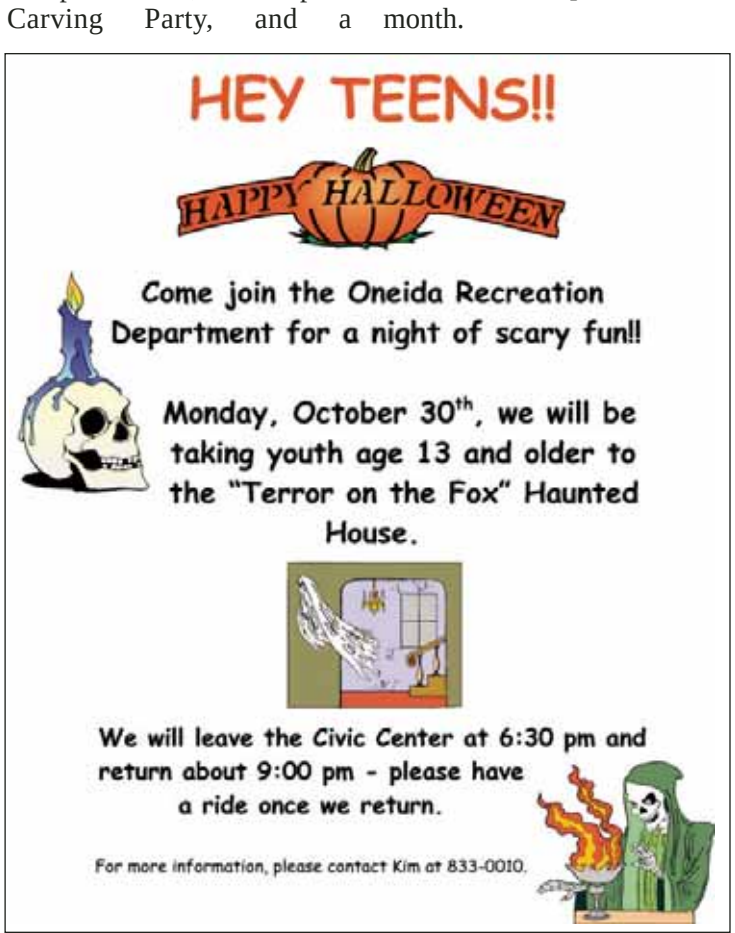
Submitted by Shara Summers
Recreation Center

October is filled with spooky fun and games for youth of all ages at Oneida Recreation. The Social Recreation Room at the County H facility will be featuring a Halloween surprise every day in October!

Mondays and Wednesdays will be BOO BINGO; mark your card with candy corn and win cool prizes. Tuesdays and Thursdays we'll be cooking up some creepy recipes in COOKING CLASS (Mummy fingers, Ghoul-Ade, and Nose-Blow Burritos, just to name a few). GIRLS GROUP will begin Wednesdays, starting Oct. 4, and feature a Halloween Craft for elders, a visit to the Pumpkin Place, a Pumpkin Carving Party, and a Halloween Luau. Every Friday is MOVIE NIGHT, with a festive, family-friendly video and snacks.

But the scariest surprise of all is FEAR FACTOR: Halloween Style!! On Mondays and Thursdays, youth will compete in games and contests to see who will become the Ultimate Champion and be able to say: "Fear is not a factor for me." If you have any questions, call Shara at **833-0010.**

And don't forget about Oneida Recreation's Halloween Community Events: Halloween Maze (ages 0-8), Tween Movie (ages 9-12), and Teen Haunted House (ages 13-18). With all of this excitement going on, October is guaranteed to be a "Spook"-tacular month.





Gospel soothes the soul



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

Joyful music was brought to listeners at the Radisson by Nashville recording artist Joyce Wagster (above). The country gospel concert also featured a silent auction with all proceeds going to the Oneida Area Faith in Action program. Wagster received the Female Horizon Award in 2005 and made it to number seven on the Christian Country Chart with her release of "I Believe." Local artists also performed prior to Wagster's appearance.

Fox Valley Natives have a place to go



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

From left to right: Program Director Becky Elder and Director of Education Lisa Hurst visit with Michelle Johnson at the American Indian Center of the Fox Valley.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Becky Elder often hears the same exclamation when people walk into the American Indian Center of the Fox Valley (AIC) located in downtown Appleton for the first time.

"Wow, I didn't even know there were other Indians living in the area." said Elder who is the center's program director and member of the Menominee Nation.

The AIC began six years ago when a group of Native Americans living in the Fox Valley area saw a need for a gathering place.

"(They) went to Goodwill and approached them with the idea of creating a center where Native people could come, get together, network and share resources and just support each other." said Lisa Hurst, Director of Education.

The original office, called the Intertribal Community Center was located on the Goodwill campus in Menasha. Two years ago, the AIC moved to 128 North Oneida Street in the Fox Cities Rotary Multi-Cultural Center.

"I think we've seen a huge increase in the number of participants just based on the fact of we're at where we're at - right across from Valley Transit. A lot of our participants do have transportation issues." said Elder.

The AIC pursues it's mission through five components: Healing through Learning, Healing through White Bison, Healing through Forgiveness, Healing through Community Education and Healing through Human Interaction.

To heal through learning, Certified instructor Hurst, a member of the Oneida Nation, gives one-on-one tutoring to people obtaining their General Education Diploma or Highschool Equivalency Diploma (GED/HSED).

In the Healing through White Buffalo, the center hosts group sessions based on Native American values and beliefs. A coed session is held Monday nights and a women's session is held Tuesday nights.

"I come to the Healing Circle, the Women's Healing Circle, and I feel very cleansed when I leave here." said Michelle Johnson who's lived in Appleton for thirteen years.

Elder and Hurst contact imprisoned Native Americans for Healing through Forgiveness.

"We actually go into the prisons and meet with the inmates," said Elder, "If you're a Native American person and you're incarcerated, and you contact us, we can advocate for you."

Their biggest event is part of Healing through Community Education when the AIC hosts a one session pow wow after the Appleton Flag Day Parade at Erb Park.

"Some people come because they hear the drums and they walk through their back yard asking 'What the heck's going on?'"said Elder.

The fourth annual pow wow held last June attracted 2000 spectators, 250 dancers and 10 drums.

Elder and Hurst also arrange community presentations for area schools on Wisconsin Native American history.

Finally, Healing though Human Interaction takes place in the American Indian Center. It's a place for some of the 3000 Native Americans living in the Fox Valley area to go for help or just to hang out.

"We all just mingle and get along," said local artist Henry Salazar who enjoys teaching others how to bead and do other crafts.

"I just love it, love it. Your pay is looking at everyone enjoying themselves," he said.

The AIC is supported by Goodwill as well as a community foundation and the Native American Nations in Wisconsin.

"The tremendous support that we've received from the tribes and Oneida has been exceptional." said Hurst. The center works with departments in Oneida such as the Contract Health and Social Services to help clients at the AIC.

When the health center in the Bad River community burned down July 10th, Elder and Hurst saw an opportunity to give back to those who had supported the American Indian Center.

After reading about the incident in Chairman Gerald Danforth's Legislative Review in the July 21st issue of the Kalihwisaks, Elders and Hurst began networking within Goodwill and the Fox Cities Rotary Club.

"Unknown to me, one of (the Rotary's) big projects is where they gather medical equipment," said Elder, "They happened to have two to three semi-loads of this medical equipment."

Goodwill and the Rotary Club worked together to deliver a semi-load of examining tables, lights and other medical equipment to the northern Wisconsin reservation.

"It was just heartwarming the way the people down here in the Fox Valley stepped up and said 'Yes, there's a need, and how can we help?" said Elder.

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Please Contact: Ted Skenandore at 920-869-2718

Thunderhawk Times

Players look forward to Homecoming

By Nick Cantu
ONHS junior

The T-Hawks have Homecoming the week of October 9 through the 13, ending with their homecoming football game against Stockbridge. There is also a bonfire set for the night of October 12.

Athletic director Lance Kelly said homecoming is important "because it promotes school spirit." The T-Hawks, haven't won a Homecoming game in a couple years, but they are playing a first-year team, Stockbridge.

The T-Hawks are preparing for that game, by taking it week by week. They're going for a winning record this year and trying to make it to the playoffs. But in order to do that, we have to win the rest of our games. We can do that, if we work as a team.

Coach Nathan King has got us in good shape this year and we're able to keep up with any team, if we play as a team.

Last year's Homecoming Game saw the T-Hawks get beaten badly by Brookfield Academy.

This year, we've only been blown out once, against Gibralter. But we're starting to work as a team and it's paying off.

We should win in their Homecoming game. We have to come into the game to play and not think it's going to be an easy win, because it's not. We are going to have to work for that win.

Meet English Teacher Vicki Norton

By Twyla Danforth
ONHS senior



Last issue we featured our two new math teachers. This issue we take a look at our new English teacher, Vicki Norton. Here's the interview.

T: How tall are you?

V: I am about 5'11.5"

T: How many kids do you have?

V: I have six kids. I had my first at the age of 22, and my oldest one is 23.

T: How old are you now!?

V: I am 45.

T: Are you married?

V: I'm not married now, I used to be.

T: What is your favorite class to teach?

V: My favorite class to teach is Business Writing

T: What is your favorite hour of the day?

V: My favorite hour is 7th hour with the freshmen.

T: What types of things do you like to on your free time?

V: I like knitting and playing with my animals.

T: Did you play any sports in high school? College?

V: I did swimming and played volleyball in high school and I did track in college. I ran the 400 and the 800.

T: What did you do before you came to teach?

V: I use to be a commercial pilot, and I used to be a pilot instructor.

T: What do you think of the staff here at ONHS?

V: I think they are very smart. They are great people.

Playoff Predictions

By Andrew Sitting Bear
ONHS senior

Last issue I made my predictions for the Packers season. With their win over the Lions, they stand at 1 and 2 and I stand at 3 and 0. I predicted all their wins and losses so far. Next up, they will lose to the Eagles.

The playoffs are still a long way off, but I am making my predictions for the end of season now.

The NFC will have the Bears, Eagles, Saints and Seahawks winning their divisions. The Wild Cards will be the Packers and Panthers.

The AFC will have the Bengals, Patriots, Jaguars and Broncos winning their division. Wild Card teams will be the Colts and the Steelers.

The Eagles and the Bears will play in the NFC championship game. The Patriots and Bengals will play in the AFC title game.

The Bears and the Patriots will meet in the Super Bowl and the Bears will win it all.

Green Bay Eagles?

By Martin D. Stevens Jr.
ONHS sophomore

Who are the Green Bay Eagles? They are a semi-pro football team, of course.

The Eagles have been a team for about two years now. Several Oneida guys play on the team.

There are two teams in Green Bay. The other is the Bobcats.

There are seven total teams in their divisions, scattered around Wisconsin.

The Eagle's record right now is 0-6.

My cousin Shane, who plays for the team, said they "are dead last" in the division.

They are in need of a coach because right now they're "all just telling each other what to do on the field," Shane said.

They are also looking for some team sponsors because they don't get paid and they have to buy all their own football gear. Shane said the team would have more players, but "people don't want to buy their own things."

The Eagles play on the Lombardi Middle School football field.

So far they have 22 players and there always looking for new people to join.

They do have fund raisers at Wal-Mart once and a while and an Indian Taco sale at the Parish Hall.

If you want to give some of our Oneida semi-pro football players some support, their next home game is on September 30th at 2:00 P.M.

My Scoop - Racism

By Eldon Powless
ONHS sophomore

Racism to me is when people think all Natives still walk around in buck skin, moccasins, and feathers in our hair. Some people think all the Natives were killed by cowboys.

It's racist when people think all Natives hate all whites. It's racist when people portray Natives in movies as a savage, wild, murderess people.

Some people stereotype Natives as drunks. People stereotype Natives as bums living off the government, by living on well-fair and food stamps.

It's racist when a baseball or football team uses Native people as mascots for their team. Then they make the mascots look like a smiling, red Indian with a feather in his hair. These teams are the ones who use Native people as their team mascot: Washington Redskins, Kansas City Chiefs, and the Atlanta Braves.

The Time for Senior Preparation is Now!

By Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

Seniors, even though it's the beginning of the year you should already be getting ready for college and or the rest or your life. This is probably the most hectic year of your high school career, with getting your ACT or SAT done, hearing from numerous colleges and planning for your future. Of course, you've still got high school to finish as well.

But there's also a lot of help out there, so there's nothing to be worried about. There are many programs that help people to get ready for college. There are also books, the internet, and people that will help with taking the ACT tests.

So now is the time to start planning your future and getting ready for the road that lies ahead.

In the Next Issue of Thunderhawk Times, we'll give you a clip-out, month-by-month checklist for seniors who are preparing for college.

A late summer visit with nature

By Earl Elm
ONHS senior

The day before today had the best weather for a spiritual sense.

I sat down in the perfect spot to listen and hear what the earth had to say.

When I was sitting in the woods, I heard a bunch of things like for example: birds, crickets, and insects.

When I got into my calm state of mind, I first heard the deer coming and I thought to myself, "It must be someone running in the woods." But when I looked, it wasn't a person it was a deer–actually, a buck. It looked to me that it had 6-8 points to it. When it looked my way, I looked right back at it and felt a calm mind. It was like all my cares and worry's went away.

I felt so happy to have seen a deer that close so I jumped up in the air and gave a big woooooa. Also when I walked around the woods I felt as if I were home.

If I haven't taken that walk, I would have never got to catch a snake. But I really didn't catch it first, someone else did. It was BJ.

The wind was blowing and the trees seemed as if they were talking to each other. You know when the tree branches start to bend, they make a weird noise. It's like there own little language for them.

This was my experience in the woods.

Meet more THT staff

Jam to Tupac with Twyla Danforth

By Shakira Stevens
ONHS senior



Shakira: Are you in any sports?

Twyla: Volleyball, Basketball, and Track.

S: Are you going to college?

T: yes, maybe NMU.

S: What was your reaction to the death of the Steve Irwin?

T: It's crazy!

S:What do you do on your free time?

T: Hang out with friends.

S: What grade are you in?

T: 12th

S: Do you like seafood?

T: No

S: Why?

T: Fish swim in their feces.

S: What do you want to go to College for?

T: For Business Administration

S: What's your Motto?

T: "In spite of the cost of living, it's still popular."

S: Favorite Song?

T: "Dear Mama" by Tupac.

Russell likes pow wows, parties

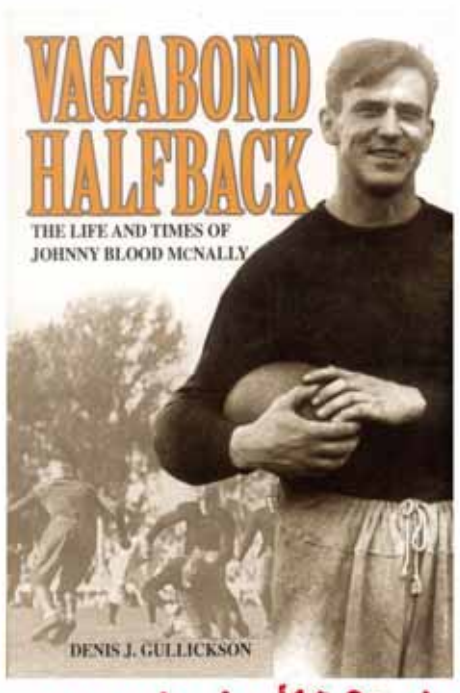
By Andrew Sitting Bear
ONHS senior



Russell Powless is 18. For entertainment, he likes wrestling, parties and pow wows.

When asked what color was his stolen horse, he said, "owiskal kohsatas (white horse)."

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What is our school coming to?: Part 1

By Ashley Melchert
ONHS senior

Principal Bob Ganka has spoken to everyone about the attendance in our school this year.

The policy regarding absences has changed. Why? Because too many students weren't strong enough to stay in school and learn, and get good grades. Some people just dropped out because they had nothing better to do, but do drugs. All that school cares about is your life and your career.

The staff here want to make out school look as good as those public schools. (Except East High, now that's another story.) Anyway, this school wants to make a difference, not only in this school year but in the years to come.

This year they made a good effort to bring in two new teachers for math. Lisa Zdrazil and Mike Hanke. We've also got a new English teacher, Vicky Norton.

And we've got more students, like the freshmen are new. (I really don't like freshmen - just kidding they're cool.) But they also have to learn about high school. They have to grow up in order to become young adults.

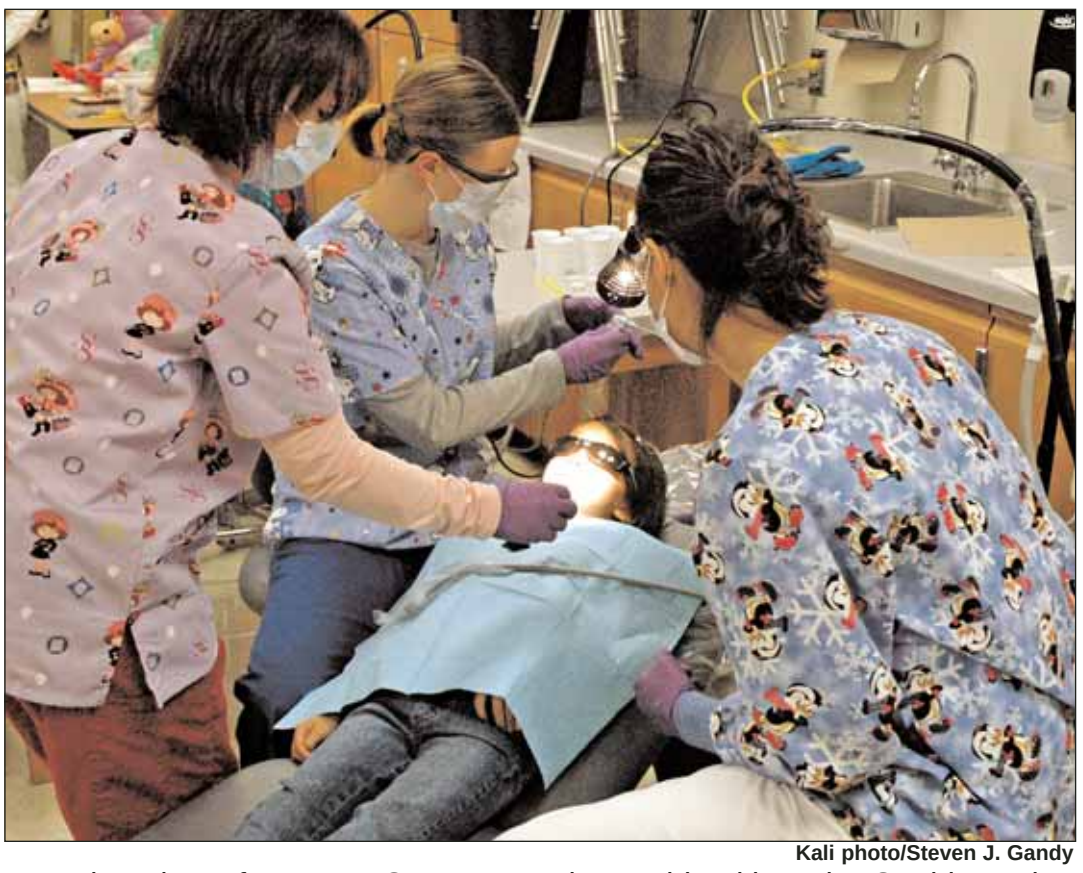
This year, we're trying to improve the attitudes and the attendance. There aren't many in detention and, hopefully, I'm not one of them.

I really don't like the ten excused absences, ten unexcused absences policy because it might lead to students being dropped from enrollment. What should matter is who you are, not what your GPA and attendance is. They should do what ever they can to try to pass you out of this school, and get you in to that great college in any state of your choice.

I think the reason there are fewer options around attendance this year is that too many students are out of hand, and need help to improve their attendance and their attitudes.

Education

Students open wide for NWTC



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Dental students from NWTC are promoting oral health at the Oneida Nation Elementary School. ONES pupils will receive tooth sealants from NWTC dental hygienist program students. The sealant will help protect the young teeth from decay. The 5-10 minute process is part of the Seal-a-Smile program according to NWTC instructor Carrie Stempski and is expected to take 4 weeks to complete the entire school. As shown, a ONES student receives the sealant from NWTC students Megan Geiger (left) and Kari VanRite (right) and they are being supervised by a NWTC Dental Hygiene instructor.

Oneida Community Education Center

October computer classes announced

Submitted by Bob O'Donnell
CEC Computer Instructor

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced its schedule of computer classes for October. Classes are free for tribal members and employees, and held at the Center's location at 2632 S. Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced computer software training in Microsoft, Corel and Adobe applications, the Community Education Center also offers classes for those who are new to computers and would like to learn more about how to use computers at home or work.

Among the classes to be offered are "Computer for Beginners" which is scheduled to begin on Monday, October 2. This three-session class provides those who have little or no prior computer experience with a basic understanding of how to use computers.

A class on improving typing and keyboard skills using Mavis Beacon software will begin on Monday, October 9. Those wishing to improving their typing skills or speed can participate in the class or work at their own pace to learn the basics of typing and computer keyboards.

The Center will also offer three sessions of a class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows X." and a two-hour class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Internet Explorer." The Internet Explorer class provides students with a basic understanding of how to use to navigate the Internet, and how to find information using search engines.

There will also be an "Introduction to Digital Imaging and Adobe Photoshop" class beginning on October 20. For those looking to learn word processing for home or work, an introductory class on Corel WordPerfect will begin on Monday, October 2. There will be an introductory class on Microsoft Word beginning on Monday, October 23. Both classes provide students with an understanding of the basics of using a computer typing letters, reports, etc.

Those who would like to learn how to use computer spreadsheets can attend an introductory class on Microsoft Excel starting on Monday, October 2, or a class on Corel Quattro Pro beginning on Tuesday, October 3. The next eight-week class on QuickBooks accounting software will begin on Thursday, November 2.

Also in September, the Community Education Center will be offering classes on Microsoft PowerPoint, Corel Presentations, Microsoft Access, and Microsoft Publisher. In addition to classes, one-on-one training and assistance is also available by appointment during regular business hours.

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center is open Monday thru Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information on computer classes, training or assistance, contact the Center at **496-7860.**

Toyota International Teacher Program opportunity

Professional Development in Costa Rica for Secondary School Teachers

Toyota International Teacher Program would like to remind you that the deadline to apply for the Professional Development in Costa Rica program is approaching quickly. What with the new school year, hectic scheduling, and juggling everything on your plate; finishing your application may have slipped your mind! If you have a moment, revisit the Toyota Teach website at www.iie.org/toyota.

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. sponsors this annual opportunity with the goal of broadening the global perspectives of educators and the students. Qualified individuals are sent to explore the unique

Eco-systems of Costa Rica while connecting with the people and culture of this small country. In order to be eligible you must work full time as a secondary school classroom teacher (grades 7-12) in Arizona, California, Florida, Iowa, Louisiana, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Wisconsin.

Full-time classroom teachers in grades 7-12, in the nine program states are encouraged to submit applications for the Toyota International Teacher Program by October 9, 2006.

* Apply online at <http://www.iie.org/toyota>
* Materials and informational poster may also be requested by visiting the Toyota International Teacher Program website or by calling the Institute of International Education at 1-877- 832-2457.

Application deadline: October 9, 2006.

Storytellers of the Americas Conference call for papers

The Third Annual Storytellers of the Americas Conference, hosted by the American Studies Graduate Student Association at the University at Buffalo, is pleased to announce a call for papers. The conference, scheduled for March 30th and 31st, 2007, represents the commitment of the graduate students of the American Studies Department to contribute to the University's intellectual community.

We invite paper submissions that address the importance of women in Indigenous oral tradition. Sky Woman, Yellow Woman, Anuk-Ite (Wia Numpa), Sedna, the Three Sisters, Selu, Changing Woman, and many others have described and defined women's roles in traditional Indigenous societies, and which remain essential to contemporary Indigenous communities. Through this conference, we wish to consider traditional understandings of Indigenous women in oral culture, the silencing of their voices through colonial hegemony, and current literary, political, social, economic, and artistic resonances of the oral tradition.

Please submit abstracts by **December 15, 2006**. Submissions should be no more than 500 words in length, and should be e-mailed as an attachment to the following addresses:

Nikki Dragone, **n_dragone@yahoo.com**; Amber Adams, **AmberMeadowAdams@aol.com**; Nancy Napierala, **nan3@buffalo.edu**, or Heidi Nickisher, **hcnfaa@rit.edu.**

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Environmental

Animals adapt for winter hibernation, environmental changes

Submitted by Bill Koonz
Specialist - Environmental Protection

Some local species adapt for winter by growing thicker coats, others change color and some find a place to sleep away the harsh season.

Common local species that are preparing for a winter sleep include: woodchucks (groundhogs), 13-lined ground squirrels (gophers), eastern chipmunks, raccoons and skunks. The woodchucks, chipmunks and ground squirrels are true hibernators while raccoons, skunks and bears will become active if temperatures increase or disturbance occurs. Both skunks and raccoons breed in mid winter, the reason for skunks appearing on the roadways just in time for Valentine's Day. Bears breed in the spring/summer but implantation is delayed until November so the half-to-one-pound young are not born until the middle of winter.

All of these hibernating animals store up fat in the fall and provide themselves with a nest for sleeping away the long winter days. The body temperature of the true hibernator drops to near the surrounding temperature and their heart rates slow to almost undetectable. These animals roll themselves into balls and will not easily arouse if disturbed during their winter's sleep. Temperatures and heart rates may drop considerably for species that are not true hibernators but they do not approach outside temperatures or heart rates of a few beats per minute.

Raccoons have adapted to human land uses, particularly in urban environments. They require protected areas to rest when temperatures drop below zero and snow depths limit their mobility. Garages, attics, old buildings, granaries, culverts, chimneys, and hollow trees provide cozy places for raccoons to get out of the cold. Wood fireplace chimneys are often taken over if they are not screened or used regularly. Raccoons can be very destructive, tearing wallboards, shingles or siding off buildings to gain entry. They will eat almost anything organic and can go for long periods without food or water.

Skunks are closely related to mink and weasels which also produce a musky smell. They have adapted to human activities in both rural and urban surroundings. Like raccoons, they are most active at night. Unlike raccoons that are usually aggressive any time, they are relatively sleepy and easy to handle during the day. They often group up for winter so if there is a skunk living under your porch, it may not be alone. Catching one may only be the beginning.

Live traps can be covered with a black garbage bag so the animal inside cannot see the handler. The trap, bag and skunk can be placed in a truck and hauled away from its urban home without much chance of spraying. Skunks can spray a mist that fills the air with tiny droplets or they can direct toxic drops at their target. The idea that they cannot spray if their hind feet are off the ground is a myth.

Our native wildlife are constantly adapting to human land uses. Do not be surprised to see wild animals in urban settings. They are not lost but have learned how to make your backyard their home. It is up to you to decide how to live with wildlife. If you remove an unwanted animal but do not change the habitat, another animal will likely take its place following the scent trail from the animal before. I know someone who removed over 100 gray squirrels from her yard one fall, only to have new ones constantly move in! Learn to live with the wildlife you have or change the habitat so unwanted animals no longer want to live with you.



Photo courtesy of Bill Koonz
A family of woodchucks would be getting ready to hibernate this time of year.

Please Pass the Syrup!

Maple Sugaring in Oneida

Submitted by

Did you know it takes 60-70 gallons of maple sap to make just four quart jars of maple syrup? That's why home made maple syrup is such a treasured commodity. Our ancestors harvested the maple sap from maple trees for generations, but here in the Oneida community the tradition was revitalized about 25 years ago.

Maple syrup can be used in cooking and baking. It is a healthier alternative to processed sugar. When compared to sugar, maple syrup is more beneficial because it contains nutrients such as calcium, iron, zinc, copper, manganese, and selenium among others. Sugar has no nutritional value and requires you to use your own stored nutrients to digest it. In most cases, maple syrup is considered a sustainable food. Harvesting it does not create environmental damage and trees are good for the environment.

The woods at the Norbert Hill Center have long been used for maple sugaring. Both the Sacred Heart School and the Norbert Hill, Sr family were part of this tradition. In 1981, the newly established Oneida Tribal School received permission from the Seminary to tap the trees. The Sherwin Rice family taught community members how to harvest and process the maple sap. Community members voluntarily manned the sugar camp and students from the Oneida school learned from them.

The sugar camp tradition continues at our school every spring. The children learn about maple syrup legends and the process of harvesting and cooking. Science and math skills are also strengthened through this activity. Maple sugaring also helps foster an appreciation of the natural world in the children.

The school has another tradition of hosting a pancake dinner every year featuring the end result, maple syrup. Unfortunately, the middle and high schools have not been able to participate in this tradition the last two years. The vandalism of the sugar camp house behind the Norbert Hill Center Woods destroyed the equipment and shelter the school had used. The school did receive a new evaporator, now they just need the rest of the equipment and a building to store it!

That's were the Environmental, Health & Safety Division (EHS) and Environmental Resources Board (ERB) comes in. We have been working on a plan to replace the burned down building with an environmentally friendly, economic and energy efficient cord wood building. The wood is from right here on the Oneida Reservation, donated and cut by our Conservation Department. The cordwood building is easily hand built, and after a foundation and frame are up, the walls will be built by the students and community.

EHS and ERB have partnered with Heifer International to facilitate community discussion on maple sugaring. Heifer International is a nonprofit organization, who's mission is: "To work with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth." They partner with local community groups to develop a community project, and possibly provide money for training, equipment and technical help.

Sound interesting? To learn more, please plan to attend a Community Meeting on Maple Sugaring on Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at the Parish Hall. Dinner will be served at 5:00 P.M. Maple sugaring meeting co hosted by Environmental & Heifer International to follow at 6:00 P.M. For more information please contact Sylvia at **496-5352** or Laura at **496-5360**.





Photos courtesy of Sylvia Cornelius-Waupoose
Top: Rod Hill, John Habeck and Micheal Finney work on setting up a wall made of cordwood. Left: Sylvia Cornelius-Waupoose decorated this cordwood log for the sugar shack under construction.

Record Breaking Year for Rabies Clinic



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski
Peanut and Harley wait patiently with their owner, for their number to be called during the Rabies Clinic held recently behind the Norbert Hill Center.

406 cats and dogs are now vaccinated thanks to the Environmental Health and Safety Division's 2006 Rabies Clinic held Wednesday, September 6 and Saturday, September 9 at the Norbert Hill Center Arbor. This year's Rabies Clinic attracted 256 families over the course of the two day event.

Pets owned by tribal members saved an estimated $85 per animal by attending the Environmental Health & Safety Division's Clinic compared with prices charged by veterinarian offices in the area for similar vaccination services. The clinic offered pets a wide range of vaccination services in addition to Rabies which included: Canine/Feline Distemper, Lyme and Feline Leukemia. Dr. Neil Rechsteiner and Dr. Becky Krull from the Green Bay Animal Hospital were present to administer the vaccinations.

The Rabies Clinic is a preventative public health measure to reduce the probability of rabies from being spread. It's important to remember that any mammal can get rabies: raccoons, skunks, foxes, bats, dogs, cats, ferrets, and also humans. Rabies vaccinations are especially vital for outdoor pets who may encounter other wild animals.

Spending a lot of time outdoors doesn't automatically qualify an animal to get rabies; rabies is spread through saliva, usually from a bite of an animal that has the disease. Animals with rabies act differently from healthy animals. Wild animals may move slowly or act as if they were tame. A pet that is normally friendly may snap at you or may try to bite.

The Rabies Clinic was happy to provide service to sixty percent more cats compared with last year. Feline Leukemia was one of the essential vaccinations each of the 157 cats received. The Feline Leukemia Virus can lead to immune deficiency in affected cats reducing their ability to fight off other infections. The virus is also the number one cause of feline cancer. The Feline Leukemia Virus is spread to other cats from affected cat's saliva and nasal secretions. Common early symptoms of infected cats include overall laziness, swollen lymph nodes and a mild fever.

Dogs formed the majority of pets in attendance at the 2006 Rabies Clinic. The Lyme Disease vaccine was administered to each of this year's 249 dogs. The incidence of Lyme Disease varies regionally. Based on the total cases identified in the US, ten percent of the cases occur in the Midwest. It's especially important to remember the Lyme vaccine for outdoor dogs since Deer Ticks are a common carrier of the bacteria that causes Lyme Disease. Prevention of Lyme Disease is possible by checking for ticks immediately after pets play in the woods and grasses; transmission of the bacteria typically occurs after 24 hours of attachment. Onset of joint pain and inability to walk and/or limping over a weeks time is the most common clinical observation witnessed by dog owners.

How do you know if your animal is in need of vaccinations? The Oneida Tribal Regulations of Domestic Animals Ordinance states that "vaccination is required for any dog/cat five months or older." Animals receiving their first rabies vaccine are applicable for one year. Beginning with the second vaccination, all vaccinations expire within either one year, two years, or three years, as specified on the certificate of vaccination.

Another reminder from the Domestic Animal Ordinance addresses the need for pet licenses which were also available during this year's Rabies Clinic. "A cat/dog license is required for the keeping of any animal over five months of age." Pet licenses can be purchased anytime through the Conservation Office located on County U. The license fee costs $5 for neutered male cat/dog or spayed female cat/dog, and $10 for an unneutered male cat/dog or unspayed female cat/dog.

Due to the huge success of this year's Rabies Clinic, next year's Rabies Clinic will be in late August 2007.



Health

Free stroke screenings offered at Health Center

- Every…45 seconds…someone in America has a stroke!
- Every…3 minutes…someone dies of a stroke!
- Do you have the following risk factors that can be controlled or treated?
 1) High blood pressure
 2) Use tobacco
 3) Diabetes Mellitus
 4) Physical inactivity and obesity
 5) High cholesterol
 6) Excessive alcohol use
 7) Heart disease
- Do you have the following risk factors you can't change?
 1) Increasing age: 50 years old and over
 2) Sex: Stroke is more common in men than women..however..women account for more than half of all.. stroke deaths.
 3) Family History: Your stroke risk is greater if a parent, grandparent, sister or brother has had a stroke.
 4) Prior stroke or heart attack: If you have had one stroke or heart attack, you are at much greater risk of another. If you have had a heart attack, you are at much greater risk of having a stroke too.

Screenings Offered
Wednesday, October 25th

When: 8:00am-12:00pm & 1:00-4:30pm 1/2 hr. appointments

Cost: FREE via a grant at St. Vincent Hospital

Location: Oneida Community Health Center

For whom: Community members

Administered by: St. Vincent Hospital Neuroscience Unit

Please call **(920)869-4899** or **(920)869-4884** to make an appointment. Coordinated by the Oneida Health Promotion Dept.

Benefits available for Blue Water Vietnam Veterans

Submitted by Kerry Metoxen
Tribal Veterans Service Officer

Navy and Marine Corps veterans who served aboard ship in the so called "blue water" or coastal waters off the coast of Vietnam War and were awarded the Vietnam Service Medal may qualify for veterans benefits for conditions related to Agent Orange exposure.

Recently, the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims ruled that the VA "erred" when it ruled that only those men and women who actually set foot on land in Vietnam were exposed to the defoliant Agent Orange.

If you served aboard ship off the coast of Vietnam between January 9, 1962 and May 7, 1965, and you fit into one of the following categories, you should contact your tribal veterans service officer (TVSO) as soon as possible.

A. Have a medical diagnosis of Type II, Adult Onset Diabetes Mellitus, prostrate cancer, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, multiple Myeloma, certain respiratory cancers or soft tissue sarcoma.

B. If you previously filed a claim for any of the above listed conditions and that claim was denied, you should contact your TVSO and reopen the claim.

C. If you are the un-remarried surviving spouse of a "blue water" service man or woman and you believe that your spouse may have been a victim of an Agent Orange related medical condition, you need to contact your TVSO.

You can contact the Oneida Veterans Department at **920-490-3921.**

www.oneida-nation.org
Click on Departments (at the top)
Select **Language Revitalization** and then language lessons.

After hours service for Oneida Health Center

Who – Clinic Registered Nurses are the staff that supply After Hour's coverage.
* This staff also works 40 hrs/week at the clinic.

What – Staff is available to help determine need for home care or urgent care.
* They DO NOT determine Contract Health eligibility.

Where – Staff are on call at home.
* They do not have access to computer information and/or the medical record.

When – Staff is on call any hours that the Oneida Health Center is closed.

For adult patients (18 and older) the adult doctors will not prescribe narcotics after hours.

Contract Health Issues

If an emergency occurs and you need to access an Emergency facility - you have 72 hours to notify the clinic of this event. Please notify clinic staff during open hours. If other services are needed before the next open day - please contact the on call staff.

- Emergency - chest pain, difficulty breathing, a laceration that won't quit active bleeding after 30 - 40 minutes, any injury that requires immediate attention (following a motor vehicle accident , obvious broken bone, head injury with signs of a concussion are examples).

Contract Health DOES NOT cover medication refill payment after hours.

Final eligibility is determined by Contract Health staff during open clinic hours.

Free prostrate screening for Native American males

Submitted by Dr. Joseph Binard
Urology Department, Oneida Community Health Center

More than 230,000 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed this year.

One - out of every - six - men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer.

More that 30,000 men will die from prostate cancer this year.

Early stages of prostate cancer may not cause any symptoms; thus, early check-ups are important!

Prostate Cancer Screening Blood Test

During the entire month of October, there will be a prostate cancer screening blood test at the Oneida Community Health Center.

It is for: All – Native American males – age 45 and over.

Younger, only if - there is a history of prostate cancer in the family.

When: The entire month of October – Monday thru Thursday, from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Cost: Free…(Insurance will be billed)…but there will be no cost to the tribal member.

How to Register:
1) Pre-registration is highly recommended.
2) Call **(920) 869-2711** and ask for Registration.
3) Tell Registration this is for a: a) "Lab Only" Appointment and b) For the: Free – PSA Test
4) Register under Dr. Joseph Binard for the test.
5) Test results will be mailed to you.

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Thanks to September's blood donors

By Dawn Krines Glatt
Health Promotion

The Blood Drive Committee and the Red Cross would like to thank the 27 blood donors who took the time out of their busy schedules to participate in the Oneida Blood Drive on Sept. 15th at Oneida Family Fitness. Because of your donations, 81 lives can be helped or saved! Every day, the Red Cross must collect over 900 blood donations in our region to meet patients' needs.

The Blood Drive is held four times a year at Oneida Family Fitness and is coordinated by Oneida Health Promotion. Tribal resolution #4-5-95-A allows for two hours of paid time off authorized by a departmental supervisor for any employee that is pre-registered and completes the screening process on the day of the blood drive. Both Debbie Thundercloud, General Manager and Neil Cornelius, Gaming General Manager give their support and encourage their departmental managers and supervisors to allow employees permission to participate in this valuable community service. Please mark your calendars for the next Oneida Blood Drive which will be held **December 8th.**

Huge thanks go to our Blood Drive Committee and volunteers:

Neva Archiquette, Jeanne Kurowski, Barb Truttmann and Casino Maintenance staff, Michelle Mielke, Teresa Roth and the Oneida Family Fitness staff, Karen Hallada, and Dawn Krines Glatt.

Refreshments were provided by: Brenda and Pat Buckley, Subway owners, Health Promotion, Oneida Community Health Center and Red Cross

ATTENTION

All Oneida Community Members in Brown and Outagamie Counties.

Starting in October random community members will be receiving a questionnaire from St. Norbert's Survey Center in conjunction with Oneida Community Health. We ask that you take the time to complete the questionnaire regarding health care services and your health in a honest manner. The information that we obtain will be vital in future planning of programs and customer care at the Oneida Community Health Center.

In appreciation of completing the Survey you will have the opportunity to enter a raffle for prizes yet to be determined.

Instructions will be included in the survey, if you have any questions about completing the survey or need assistance completing the survey feel free to call 869-4840

We thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the survey, your input will be very important to improving health care in the Oneida community.

Thank You,
Community Needs Assessment Planning Committee
St. Norbert's Survey Center

Diabetes risk rises with age, weight and gender

By Linda A. Johnson
Associated Press Writer

TRENTON, New Jersey (AP) ~ Getting fatter around the middle? Have a family history of heart disease or diabetes? You could be headed for the same trouble, especially if you're over 40 and female.

There are no obvious symptoms from high blood sugar or the condition called insulin resistance, so few people realize it is creeping up and putting them on the path to diabetes, heart disease or both.

But insulin resistance, a type of pre-diabetes, is a growing national problem: Some experts believe half of all overweight or obese American adults are insulin-resistant.

Yet, even many women with a family history of heart disease or diabetes don't know they need to eat a healthier diet and get more exercise to avoid those problems - two of America's top killers.

"We think this is a very important new issue for women," said Audrey Sheppard, chief executive of the National Women's Health Resource Center. "There's very little awareness."

As women enter the years leading to menopause, the hormonal changes that trigger hot flashes and end menstruation make women more likely to add fat around the waistline than in other places. A key

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Diabetes

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (first names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Also please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Mariah Marie House-Baillie



Mariah Marie House - Baillie, born at 3:19 a.m. to her proud parents Christine House & Patrick Baillie on Tuesday, July 25, 2006 at Aurora Bay Care Medical Center weighing 6lbs, 9oz and measuring 21 inches.

The proud maternal grandparents are Doug & Doreen House. Paternal grandparents are Sissy & Sonny Baillie. Great grandparent's are Pearl & Warren House, Judy & Donald Long and Elizabeth & Patrick Baillie. She has two siblings, Jose and Trinity at home.

Valencia Isabella Cabrera

Valencia Isabella Cabrera, newborn daughter to Bridget House and Adrian Cabrera, was born on Monday, August 28th at Bellin Memorial Hospital, Green Bay, at 12:28 p.m. weighing 7 lbs 2 oz., 21 inches in length. Proud maternal grandparents Doug & Doreen House and Great-Grandmother Pearl House. Valencia has 5 siblings at home, Damiano, Angelina, Adrian & Adrianna, and Andres.

Baby Boy Buschke

Robyn Buschke gave birth to a baby boy on Monday, September 18th, 2006 at St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday
Pies
on October 5th



Love your Family

Happy Birthday

Lordy, Lordy, Look who's
"40"
on October 2nd



Love...
UR Baby Girl, Pokey, Ashy & Grandma too

Happy Birthday

Happy October Birthdays...
Baby Boy
on October 2nd
Auntie Pies
on October 5th
Uncle Arlon
on October 9th
Sonja
on October 10th
Abraham
on October 12th
Love your Families

Happy 1st Birthday

Sonja Sweetgrass
on October 10th



Love Always...
Mama & family

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday
Uncle Arlon
on October 9th
Love Nieces,
Bobbi & Sonja

Happy 1st Birthday

Happy 1st Birthday
Abraham Gabriel
on October 12th
Love Auntie Bobbi & Cousin Sonja

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Happy Birthday

to my baby girl...
Schuyler Wyn Metoxen
who turned **14** on September 19th
You have certainly blossomed into a beautiful young lady!
With Love from...
Dad, Von & the rest of the Family!

October 2006 Calendar of Events

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Going Batty!
Monday, October 2 at 10 a.m. and again Monday, October 16, 2006 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families can learn about bats during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the short stories "Stellaluna," by Janell Cannon and "Little Bats," by Diane Mayer. After the stories, participants will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671.**

Kids Autumn Adventure
Saturday, October 14, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

What a great chance to give the kids a break from school. The event will allow the youngsters to release some energy and enjoy the changing season. Sponsored by the Thursday Morning Breakfast Optimist Club, children can enjoy face painting, animal exhibits, music and much more. All activities are free and open to the public. For more information, call **(920) 391-3671.**

Halloween Event
Saturday, October 21, 2006

The 13th Annual Halloween Event is geared for those youngsters who love to learn about animals. Pick a timeslot, register for the tour and enjoy an indoor hike through the Sanctuary. Along the way, you will encounter various nighttime characters that will share fun and factual information. Participants are encouraged to wear their Halloween costume. Tours take place every 15 minutes starting at 6:00 p.m. and ending at 8:00p.m. cost is $3.00 per adult and $2.00 per children 12 and under. This event is recommended for children 12 and up. Space is limited. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671.**

Oneida Swamp Stompers Snowmobile Club

First meeting of the season: **October 12 • 7 p.m at Wally's**

Club meets 2nd Thursday at Wally's Bowl, Seymour

Come join us! All are welcome!

Call Mary Ellen at **869.8697** for more information.

www.bcaclub.org/oneida.html

Oneida Housing Authority

Presents...

Money Smart Week

October 2nd - 5th, 2006

Oneida Housing Authority will offer the following presentation to coordinate with Money Smart WI Week. This event is open to the public and for more information on other statewide events you may go to: **www.moneysmartwi.org**

The following presentations start at 6 p.m. and will be held at the Three Sisters Housing Site Center.

Mon. Oct 2nd:	Two Part Presentation: Protecting your personal information/Putting your house in order. Presenter: Terri Rosin and Linnette Servais from Bay Bank
Tue. Oct 3rd:	The Balancing Act: How to address competing demand on a limited income. Presenter: Judy Knutsen, UW-EX Family Living Educator
Wed. Oct 4th:	Getting the most for your Money: Grocery Shopping 101. Presenter: Karen Early, UW-EX Nutrition Educator
Thur. Oct 5th:	Credit: The Good, The Bad, The Ugly. Presenter: Bobbie Lison, Catholic Charities Budget and Consumer Credit Counselor

For more information, please call (920) 869-2227

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NEXT DEADLINE

is...**Wednesday October 4th, 2006 @ 4:30 P.M.** with a **PUBLISH DATE** of...**Thursday, October 12th, 2006**

Questions, please call: **920-869-4277, 869-4279 or 869-4280**

Toll Free: *1.800.236.2214 ext. 4277, 4279 or 4280*

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John D. Murray, Craig A. Christiansen, and Jacob R. Reis

On March 24, 2006 – at the young age of 33…

Staber Burr Benefit



Staber Burr suffered a massive stroke which left him paralyzed on his left side. The stroke also affected his vision. Upon further testing, an unknown condition was discovered which will require expensive medication to control the condition for the rest of his life. Staber spent 12 weeks in the hospital, three of those in intensive care where a number of neurosurgeons monitored his recovery.

Stabers' main goal is to be able move about on his own, get down on the floor to spend some one-on-one time with his 9-month old son.

His family faces the loss of income, mounting medical expenses that are not covered by his insurance, and remodeling costs to accommodate his needs during his recovery process.

Come join friends and family of Staber Burr as we gather to support him through this difficult time.

October 14, 2006, 1–6PM
Brown County Golf Course
897 Riverdale Dr. • Oneida, WI

- *Live Auction, Silent Auction, Raffles, Hole-in-One Contest with a chance to win* ***$10,000****, Music, Cash Bar, and Complimentary Hors d'oeuvres*
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Private monetary donations may be made to:
Associated Bank • c/o Staber Burr Benefit • 2550 W. Mason St. • Green Bay, WI 54303
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Board Vacancy

Oneida Housing Authority (OHA):
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications:
a. A board member may be a member or non-member of the Tribe.
b. No person shall be barred from serving on the Board because he/she is a tenant or homebuyer in a housing project of the Authority
c. Full term of office of 4 years.
Purpose:
The Oneida Housing Authority shall be organized and operated for the purpose of:
1. Remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals;
2. Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for person of low income;
3. Providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement extension, alteration or repair and operation of low income dwellings.
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Committee Vacancies

Miss Oneida Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall serve a two (2) year term
– Shall be an enrolled Oneida citizen
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Audit Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall be a member of the Oneida Tribe
– Shall not be an employee of the Oneida Tribe
– Shall have knowledge, skills and experience of the Tribe
Members shall adhere to all Tribal laws, codes, policies and procedures with the strictest confidentiality
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Personnel Commission:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
– The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two (2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community members
– Shall serve a full term of 3 years.
The membership may not be such that a conflict of interest or nepotism is created as defined in these by-laws: A. Nepotism is created by the following relationships: father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, daughter, son father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other. B. conflict of interest is a conflict between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. A or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Committee Vacancies

Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee:
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications:
– Must be a member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin who have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United Sates of America Honorable Service.
Qualifications shall also include the following:
1. Honorable Service
a) A person who has been inducted into or voluntarily entered into active duty in one of the service branches and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch due to "less than honorable conditions"
b) Active duty is having served 181 days or more of continuous duty unless discharged early for a service-related disability
c) Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has complete at least six years in the reserves or National Guard or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability
2. Shall be a citizen of good standing
3. Shall serve a full term of 3 years (Ending November of third year)
Closing date of October 30, 2006

For Sale

Matching Sofa & Love Seat, $350.00. FMI call after 6pm weekdays at 715.304.9037 or 920.544.0493.

Committee Vacancies

Oneida Pow Wow Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall serve a three (3) year term
– May be required to perform the supervisory duties in regard to a Pow Wow.
Closing date of October 30, 2006
Please drop off applications at Oneida Business Committee temporary location at the OLC Building, 2640 West Point Rd, Green Bay. The applications may also be inter-officed or mailed to:
Oneida Business Committee
Attn: Boards, Committees & Commissions
P.O. Box 365
Oneida WI 54115
If you have any further questions contact our office at (920) 869-4364 or e-mail at lelm@oneidanation.org

RESOLUTION NOTICES

NOTICE. The following resolutions concerning stipend increases will be considered at the **October 25, 2006** Oneida Business Committee meeting. All interested parties are asked to submit comments in writing to the Oneida Business Committee, care of the Tribal Secretary's Office **no later than October 12, 2006.**

BC Resolution #_____
Oneida Nation School Board Stipend

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the duly recognized governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and
WHEREAS, the General Tribal Council has been delegated the authority of the constitution of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation School Board continues to clarify and enforce the Oneida Nation School System and Oneida Nation School Board Policies and Procedures for the benefit of the parents, students and employees of the Oneida Nation School System; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation School Board has received stipends which offset the cost and expenses related to membership as well as compensate for knowledge given in the course of duties and responsibilities; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation School Board is required to participate in screening, interviews, grievance hearings and continuing education training in order to maintain and enhance skills utilized in their duties and responsibilities; and
WHEREAS, the stipends paid to the Oneida Nation School Board members have not been adjusted to reflect the current economy for many years; and
WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Policy allows entities to petition the Oneida Business Committee for an increased stipend through a Resolution which indicates the reasons why the stipend should be different, and what would be an appropriate stipend; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Nation School Board is forwarding the stipend rates set out below for approval by the Oneida Business Committee,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee hereby authorizes a stipend in the amount of $75 to the Oneida Nation School Board for the following:
- Regular meeting or Special meetings.
- Half-day pre-screening or interview sessions, provided that the pre-screening or interview was actually conducted and not canceled or postponed.
- Grievance hearings, provided that a hearing was conducted and not canceled or postponed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the above stipend rates are effective upon the approval of a budget that accommodates this increase in the stipend rate.

Certification

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. ___ members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the day of _____, 2006; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of __ members for;__ members against; and members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

BC Resolution # _____
Oneida Police Commission Stipend Increase

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
WHEREAS, Article XI of the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions establishes stipends for commissions, such as the Oneida Police Commission, at a rate of $50.00 per meeting; and
WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions allows entities to petition the Oneida Business Committee for an increased stipend through a Resolution which indicates the reason why the stipend should be different and what would be an appropriate stipend; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Police Department was founded on November 12, 1985 to provide protective services to the Oneida Reservation; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council on October 10, 2001 approved the Oneida Nation Law Enforcement Ordinance, which included the creation of a Police Commission to oversee the Oneida Police Department; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Police Department has grown and evolved, so has the roles and responsibilities of the Oneida Police Commission; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Police Commission is required to meet monthly with all interested parties and the Chief of Police, along with any special meetings as required; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Police Commission believes that an appropriate stipend amount for its membership is $75 for each board member that attends a regular or special meeting and for each grievance hearing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee hereby authorizes a stipend in the amount $75 per regular meeting or special meeting or grievance hearing for members of the Oneida Police Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the above stipend rates are effective upon the approval of a budget that accommodates this increase in the stipend rate.

Certification

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. ___ members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the day of _____, 2006; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of __ members for; __members against; and ____ members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

BC Resolution # _____
Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) Board Stipends

WHEREAS, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is a federally recognized Indian government and a treaty tribe recognized by the laws of the United States of America; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida General Tribal Council is the governing body of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; and
WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council; and
WHEREAS, Article XI of the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions (Comprehensive Policy) establishes stipends for boards such as the SEOTS Board at a rate of $50.00 per meeting; and
WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Policy allows entities to petition the Oneida Business Committee for an increased stipend through a Resolution which indicates the reasons why the stipend should be different, and what would be an appropriate stipend; and
WHEREAS, the SEOTS Board has not had an increase in the stipend amount in over ten (10) years; and
WHEREAS, the SEOTS Board believes an increase in the stipend amount from $50 to $75 may encourage Board members to attend meetings and become more actively involved and positions will be easier to fill when openings occur; and
WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of each Board member to represent 2,000 members in Southeastern Wisconsin and therefore more responsibility comes with an appointment to the Board; and
WHEREAS, the SEOTS Board members are requested by the SEOTS Board or Oneida Business Committee to attend meetings in Oneida pertaining to business of the SEOTS Board and cannot be fully attended by the SEOTS Board and it is hard for a SEOTS Board quorum to be present; and
WHEREAS, the SEOTS Board believes that the appropriate stipend amount for its membership is $75 per meeting.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida Business Committee hereby authorizes a stipend in the amount of $75 per regular meeting or special meeting for members of the SEOTS Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the above stipend rates are effective upon the approval of a budget that accommodates this increase in the stipend rate.

Certification

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, hereby certify that the Oneida Business Committee is composed of 9 members of whom 5 members constitute a quorum. ___ members were present at a meeting duly called, noticed and held on the _day of _____, 2006; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by a vote of __ members for; __members against; and ____ members not voting; and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
Oneida Business Committee

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Legal Notice

Setting Time and Notice to Creditors: Request for information.
The following estates are being prepared for probate by the United States Department of the Interior and/or the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Appeals Commission, Office of hearings and Appeals. All creditors claims must be filed on or before **October 20, 2006.**
Debra L. Freeman
DOB: 06/07/1957 DOD 06/29/2005 Send all creditors' claims and information relating to the decedent to the following address:
Tina L Figueroa, Probate Clerk, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
Division of Land Management
PO Box 365
Oneida, WI 54115

Oneida Family Fitness

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

Arthritis - stay active to avoid cycle of pain and stiffness

Submitted by Oriana Lee Kreuscher
Lifeguard and water aerobics instructor for Oneida Family Fitness

Part 1–What is Arthritis

There are over 100 different types of rheumatic diseases that fall under the term arthritis. The word literally means joint inflammation; "arth = joint and "ritis" = inflammation. The disease may affect one or more aspects of the joint depending on the type of rheumatic disease. These diseases inflame the connective tissue structures of the body. This inflammation often leads to degeneration of these structures. The connective tissue which are most often affected are:

- Muscles - contracting tissue that, by becoming shorter or longer, moves the bones and thus moves you.
- Bursae - a small sac that is not part of the joint but is near the joint. It acts as a cushion between the bone and tendons or muscles.
- Tendons - a strong tissue that attaches the muscle to the bone.
- Ligaments - shorter fibrous cords that attach bones to bones and reinforce the joint capsules.
- Articular Cartilage - a tough material that cushions and protects the bone ends. The end of each bone is covered with cartilage.
- Synovial Membrane (Synovium) - lines and protects each joint and also secretes the synovial fluid that lubricates and nourishes the joint.

There are four signs of inflammation - redness, swelling, heat and pain. If you have watched a cut heal you have experienced these four symptoms. Sometimes after inflammation there is complete recovery but often the inflammation causes damage to joint structures. During inflammation enzymes are released into the joint spaces. The enzymes digest and destroy these tissues, causing damage and further inflammation. In some cases, as in rheumatoid arthritis and lupus, the body confuses the damaged tissue as foreign and stimulates the production of antibodies to destroy the bodies own tissues. This process is similar to developing an allergy to oneself. It is called and autoimmune response. The body cannot heal itself with ongoing inflammation.

The source of the disease may not always be known. It can have its beginnings from an injury, an infection inside a joint from a bacteria or virus, or with gout, the formation of a uric acid crystal inside the joint. Research indicates that genetics plays an important roll in these diseases.

Symptoms vary from person to person depending upon the type and severity of the disease. The most common symptoms are pain, stiffness, and/or limited motion of the joint. This loss of movement contributes to the weakening of the muscles and ligaments which precipitates further loss of movement. It becomes a catch 22 situation. Pain and swelling in the joint lead to less movement which leads to more pain and swelling which leads to even less movement. Breaking this vicious cycle is imperative if one is to function normally.

Most rheumatic diseases are chronic, which means they have no cure. However symptoms can usually be managed with exercise and treatment programs. There are several components to a comprehensive treatment program which include psycho social support, medication, exercise, energy conservation, stress management, occupational and/or physical therapy and surgery if indicated. In the next article we are going to explore what effect exercise can have on arthritis. Exercise can help interrupt the symptom cycle of Arthritis. Look for "Arthritis and Exercise" next month.

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Eric Frantz

Submitted by Adam Brown
Oneida Family Fitness

Eric has been working at Oneida Family Fitness for about five years. He has an extensive background in exercise through playing and coaching a variety of sports during the past 15 years. Currently, Eric is an AFAA Certified Personal Trainer and Group Exercise Instructor, American Red Cross Lifeguard, SCW Matwork Science/Pilates Instructor, and Arthritis Foundation PACE Instructor. Eric spends most of his time teaching a wide variety of group exercise classes, performing fitness assessments, and assisting members with personal training. He also coaches high school football and helps train high school athletes to enhance athletic performance. If you need help with your exercise program, stop and ask Eric to help get you going!



Photo by Oneida Family Fitness
Eric Frantz enjoys coaching football and teaching classes at the Oneida Family Fitness Center.

Five, Six, Seven... Dance

Submitted By Jason Manders
Oneida Family Fitness

Line dancing at Oneida Family Fitness has become a hit for anyone with the desire to stomp their feet and have a good time.

Every Tuesday evening country music fills Oneida Family fitness as dance enthusiasts exchange their running shoes for cowboy boots. This isn't just another "Texas" two step. Line dancing at Oneida Family Fitness will have you saying, "Yeehaww" as you learn the latest dances from experienced instructors.

Two separate classes are offered. A beginners class starting at 7:00pm teaches basic steps and dance progressions while the intermediate class at 7:30pm is designed for dancers wanting a challenge.



Come over to Oneida

From Page 5A/*Diabetes risk*

tipoff of looming trouble is a waistline over 34 inches (86 centimeters), according to one expert. (For men, it's 40 inches (101 centimeter).

Fat also builds up in the liver and other vital organs, predisposing them to insulin resistance, a condition in which insulin no longer can inject enough glucose into the body's cells for fuel, said Dr. David Katz, co-founder of the Yale Prevention Research Center and author of several books on weight control.

The body's compensatory mechanisms eventually fail, blood pressure rises along with levels of blood sugar and blood fat - making cells even more resistant to insulin. Diabetes, heart disease or both often follow.

"That's the sequence that's occurring in tens of millions of American adults" and an increasing number of children amid the country's obesity epidemic, said Katz. "It's an enormous problem. We're just starting to get doctors' attention."

Besides a family history of heart disease or diabetes, women who had diabetes during pregnancy or who had a baby 9 pounds (4.05 kilograms) or heavier are at higher risk of insulin resistance.

Frequent fatigue and cravings for sweets, bread and pasta also may be linked to the problem. But Dr. Henry Kahn, a chronic disease epidemiologist with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said those are vague symptoms that could have other causes.

The women's resource center, based in Red Bank, New Jersey, has just begun a new public health campaign targeting women aged 40 to 65 because they are at greater risk than others and often hold of the role of Dr. Mom, serving as monitor for the whole family's health.

Besides explaining on its Web site how uncontrolled blood sugar harms the body, the center offers tips for a healthy blood sugar level and suggests questions patients can ask a doctor.

Among research showing the benefits of a healthy lifestyle is a recent CDC study that found modestly overweight adults who worked with nutrition and exercise experts reduced their risk of diabetes by nearly 60 percent over several years, compared with a group that made no changes, said Kahn.

Lalita Kaul, an American Dietetic Association spokeswoman and professor of nutrition at Howard University Medical School, said over the last 25 years, about 70 percent of her patients at risk of diabetes have been able to control their blood sugar with diet and lifestyle changes.

The key diet changes, she said, include eating at least five servings of fruits and vegetables daily; cutting down on sugar and desserts while eating more whole grains; eating less saturated fat and using healthier cooking oils; eating salmon and other fish rich in essential fatty acids a few times a week; and avoiding prepared foods high in sodium, which pushes up blood pressure.

You are cordially invited to attend the

2006 Oneida Women's Wellness Fair

An event sponsored by the Oneida D.V. Program, in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Wednesday, October 18
4:30 to 7:30 P.M.
Oneida Social Services
(2640 Westpoint Rd., Green Bay)

This event is free and open to all women/employees in the Oneida Community
Come and learn about valuable resources available in Oneida and the surrounding community

Come for a massage, stay for dinner

Childcare is available. FMI please contact Belinda Brennan, at 490-3821.

The following agencies will be setting up a booth:

Oneida D.V. Program, Harbor House, Golden House, Mico Femina, Feng-shui by D. Spangenberg. Massage by C. Escamea, Crisis Center, Sexual Assault Center, Readings , Angel Reading by P.Poole, Tsyunhehkwa, Oneida Reproductive Health, Quit Smoking Prgm., Reflexology by

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October 28	– Boot Camp w/ Lori

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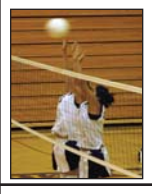
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CAPPS training seeks solutions to social issues



Kali Photo/Dawn Walschinski

Former Secret Service Agent Gerald A. Cavis, standing, led the Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies training held at Oneida Socal Services. The small groups worked on solving many social issues.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Several departments within Oneida came together to participate in training put on by the Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies (CAPPS) held early October at Oneida Social Services.

To kick off the training, the participants from the Oneida Police Department, Social Services, Health Center and other areas were split into small groups. The groups filled large yellow sheets of paper with lists that lined both sides of the Community Room.

"They've identified all the great things about the Oneida community, but they've also identified the problems within the Oneida community," said Gerald A. Cavis who led the training. Retired from the United States Secret Service with 20 years of experience, Cavis now works for Fox Valley Technical College as a National Security Specialist for its Criminal Justice Center for Innovation.

According to Cavis, the CAPPS training provides a business planning model that allows different departments to work together to tackle social and health issues such as substance abuse and obesity.

"The CAPPS strategy is a holistic community approach to overcoming problems with a solution based plan, not a management based plan," he said.

Cavis used the example of a drug addict going from being arrested, going trial, being treated or imprisoned, and then starting the cycle over again upon his release.

"We're managing an ongoing problem. These three entities responsible for managing aren't talking," he explained. "What CAPPS does is as a model is it grabs all of the necessary stakeholders and says 'let's solution base a plan versus manage base the plan so we can make the problem go away.'"

One part of the training was separating people from the same department and

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Hobart dedicates vet monument



On Saturday October 7th, the town of Hobart dedicated a veterans monument. The five branches of the US military are represented on the monument with flags and commemorative plaques.
The monument is dedicated to all veterans of all wars, retired, active-duty, alive or deceased. It is located at Four Seasons Park

Seneca Buffalo agree

By Carolyn Thompson
Associated Press Writer

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) ~ The Seneca Indian Nation and city of Buffalo ended an impasse Thursday that had threatened to drastically reduce the size of the Senecas' planned Buffalo Creek Casino.

Seneca President Barry Snyder and Mayor Byron Brown agreed to terms on the sale of a two-block stretch of city road that runs through the Senecas' nine-acre city casino site.

Brown said in August he would not sell the roadway to the western New York tribe because the Senecas would

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House approves Martinez native language bill

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) ~ Preservation of native cultures and language could get a boost thanks to legislation approved by the U.S. House that would establish grants for governments, colleges and other Indian language educational organizations.

The Esther Martinez Native Languages Preservation Act, sponsored by Rep. Heather Wilson, R-N.M., is named after a Tewa storyteller and linguist who died earlier this month after returning from an awards ceremony at the National Endowment for the Arts.

Martinez was honored at the ceremony with a National Heritage Fellowship for her stories and life's work preserving her native Tewa language and traditions.

"The native languages were precious to Esther Martinez, and this bill is designed to help preserve them," Wilson said. ``It is a fitting tribute to her life's work."

The measure was passed

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Oneida Domestic Abuse Program strives to end the cycle

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and the Oneida Domestic Abuse Program is holding three events to help break the cycle of abuse and isolation many women are caught in.

Advocate for Women's Domestic Violence Belinda Brennan explained, "When you're in that experience, you really feel like you're the only person who's going through it, so it's not something you go around telling your friends and family."

According to Evangeline "Vange" Danforth who is also an advocate, Native American communities have an abuse rate that's three times higher than the national average. A lack of financial resources exacerbates the problem.

"Women in poverty are at a higher risk in staying in the relationship because there's more obstacles for them to get out financially," said Brennan.

Their program offers counseling to both the abused and the abusers to create stronger, loving families.

"We're not here to break up families, we're here to help families emotionally," said Danforth. "We get the women help, we get the children help and we get the men help, and we want to reconnect the family as long as they're willing to make the changes into healing."

Brennan acknowledges that it can be difficult for abusers to change their ways.

"We have a lot of former abusers who come in and speak, and they're still struggling even after a year, so we need to get the message out there that it takes time," she said.

The events scheduled are geared towards educating the community, and reaching out to women who are in or were in abusive relationships.

"Within our community, I think people are becoming a little more comfortable with even coming to our events or even coming to us for help or coming to one of our support groups," said Danforth.

The Women's Wellness Fair held October 18 at Oneida Social Services is an opportunity for women to treat themselves to a massage, facial or many other activities.

"We're not just focusing on domestic violence ... we're focusing on living healthy lives all around," said Brennan.

The second event is a screening of the movie "Conversations with God" October 21 at the Norbert Hill Center Auditorium at 7:00pm. Danforth hopes the inspirational movie will show "people can find the joy in life and be who they want to be, and become who they want to be instead of always living in fear and feeling helpless."

The skit "But He Doesn't Hit Me" written by Chris Powless focuses on emotional abuse and will be performed October 30 at Oneida Social Services at 5:30pm and 7:30pm.

"Most of the women that we work with will tell you that the emotional abuse is worse than any of the bruises or any of the physical things that have happened, because they say the bruises heal, the scars fade, but the emotional

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Local

Big Brother Big Hero

Everyday heros come in all types. For one Oneida teen, his came in the form of a big brother he never had.

Matthew Kaercher, 15, was present when his "Big Brother", received the "Hero in our Midst" award is sponsored by the Greeting Card Association at the Packers Power Lunch at Lambeau Field.



Mathew Kaercher & Chris Ostrand at the Lambeau Field Power Lunch

Kaercher's "Big Brother", Chris Ostrand is an employee of Associated Bank and has been mentoring Kaercher with Big Brothers Big Sisters for six years, the longest mentorship currently running.

Kaercher had several other Big Brothers before he found his relationship with Ostrand.

According to officials at Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) the leadership and mentoring of Ostrand has helped Kaercher improve his academics and also to make better decisions in general.

"I never thought that such a special friendship would grow out of this mentoring relationship," said Ostrand in a BBBS press release. "I think that every person should take the time to connect with someone special in their life or community. Anyone can become an everyday hero no matter where they are."

Anyone wishing to send Ostrand a card thanking him for his commitment are encouraged to do so. Address cards to:

Big Brother, Chris Ostrand
1345 West Mason St.
Suite #210
Green Bay, WI 54303

Sara Karcz, Marketing and Partnership Coordinator for BBBS said in a press release, "Heroes In Our Midst representatives say they hope area residents will be inspired not only to send a card to Ostrand, but to become everyday heroes themselves, by reaching out to others through the type of personal interaction and caring that cards provide."

To learn more about becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister go to their website at http://www.bbbsnew.org or by calling 920.498.2227.

Raised bead work on display



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Amelia Cornelius won the raised beadwork contest sponsored by Bear Paw Keepsakes Friday, September 29. Her display of corn husk dolls wearing outfits decorated with raised beadwork motifs took the $150 first prize. Karen Hoffmans's creations of a decorative pillow and canister took second and third place, and pouches from Betty Williams won honorable mention. All of the contest entries will be on display at Bear Paw Keepsakes at 2667 West Mason Street through October.

From Page 1A/*Language bill passes*

Wednesday night on a voice vote, said Wilson spokesman Joel Hannahs.

Indian languages that have been passed down through the generations have been rapidly disappearing. In February, Wilson introduced the legislation and began working to raise awareness of the problem.

According to Wilson's office, experts estimate that only about 20 of more than 300 pre-colonial indigenous languages will remain by the year 2050.

New Mexico is home to 19 pueblos and 3 tribes; there are six major languages and various dialects. Wilson said language is a key element of each community's identity.

A recent survey of native languages found that among the Lipan Apache on the Mescalero reservation in southern New Mexico there are just 10 speakers of the native language. At Sandia Pueblo, most native speakers are middle aged or older.

Navajo is spoken more than any other native language in the U.S., but less than half of Navajo children entering kindergarten can speak it fluently.

"From learning the ancestry of those who came before us to passing stories down through the generations to maintaining religious, cultural and social ties, language is fundament," said Rep. Tom Udall, D-N.M., a co-sponsor of the measure.

Udall also said native languages have played significant roles in the nation's history. He pointed to the contributions of the Code Talkers, a group of Navajos who created a code for secure communications in battles with Japan during World War II.

The legislation authorizes competitive grants through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to establish native language programs for students under the age of seven and their families.

The bill aims to help preserve the indigenous languages that are still being spoken, increase support for language immersion programs to create fluent speakers and allow tribes and pueblos to develop their own immersion programs.

"This bill not only reconnects younger generations of Native Americans to the language and culture of their ancestors, it preserves an irreplaceable treasure for every American," said Rep. Steve Pearce, R-N.M., another co-sponsor

CORRECTION

In the "Background on Business" Story in the September 28 issue of the Kalihwisaks, Kelly Metoxen's mother and aunt were named incorrectly. The correct names are Jeanne Metoxen and Darlene Neconish. Also, Mary Ann Hendricks' name was misspelled once in the story. The Kalihwisaks apologizes for the errors.

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Fishery Restoration
Sustaining Our Tradition

COMMUNITY MEETING

Please join us at ONE of the scheduled sessions as we unveil three concept plans for the Oneida Fishery Restoration Project.

Share your thoughts and suggestions as we design your lake and its amenities.

PLACE: Radisson Hotel & Conference Center Turtle Conference Room

DATE: Thursday, November 9, 2006

SESSION 1: 3:30-5:00 pm
--OR--
SESSION 2: 6:00-7:30 pm

Select ONE Session to attend!

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Passing On...

Pieschek, Excelda F. "Exie"
May 28, 1937 – August 22, 2006



Excelda F. Pieschek, 69, DePere resident, died at her home on August 22, 2006. She was born on May 28, 1937 in Appleton, WI to the late Joseph and Marie (Johnson) Miller. She attended Wrightstown High School. On April 16, 1966 she married Donald Pieschek. Don and Excelda ran the Labor Temple and also owned and operated the Central Bar in Green Bay. She ran Exie's Used Furniture in the Town of Eaton. Don and Excelda were Foster Parents for thirteen children before adopting their daughter Joy. Excelda was a member of the Brown County NFO and St. Patrick Catholic Church. She enjoyed playing Bingo and going on bus trips.

She is survived by daughter Joy (Kevin) Bradley, Oshkosh, WI; two grandchildren Parker and Jaclyn Bradley; brother Joseph (Mary Jane) Miller, DePere; two sisters Virginia (Al) Kamke, Kaukauna, and Shirley Baeten; two aunts Eunice Wozney and Clara Sundstrom. She is further survived by members of Don's family: sisters-in-law Basillia Wypishinski, Angeline Danelski, Lorraine Pieschek, Catherine Pieschek and Marcella Pieschek; numerous nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents and her husband, Donald, she was preceded in death by brothers-in-law Ed Baeten, Adam Pieschek, Peter Ostrenga, Norbert Wypishinski, Louis Danelski, Frank Cherney, Clarence Van den Plas, Frank Pieschek, Mitchell Pieschek and Chester Pieschek; sisters-in-law Evelyn Pieschek, Verna Cherney, Pauline Van den Plas and Maggie Ostrenga.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, August 25 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 211 N. Maple St. with Msgr. Brian Coleman officiating. Interment in St. Cyril & Methodius Cemetery, Town of Eaton.

Proko-Wall Funeral Home, 1630 E. Mason St., Green Bay, assisted the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.prokowall.com.

The family wishes to express a sincere thank you to personal friends Helen and Jerry Soquet and Delores Cottrell for their special care and visits. Also to the nurses at Davita Dialysis Center and the Red Cross Drivers.

A memorial fund is being established in Excelda's name.

In Memory...

In Loving Memory...

Jaysen A. Calkins
October 30, 1969 to October 16, 2005

A life long memory
a certain thought...

All the laughter and tears
to everyone you brought.

Always Missed and
Forever Loved...

Your Spirit so strong,
only comes from above.



FOREVER & EVEN THEN...
Mom, Dad, Family & Friends

In loving memory of my husband

Emroy Stevens

who passed away 2 years ago on...

~ October 11, 2004 ~

Love & still miss you,
Your wife Carole



Many Thanks To All

The Chief Skenandore Benefit Concert *at White Eagle's was very successful and well attended!. The Aunts, Cousins & Family of Keith "Chief" Skenandore send heartfelt thanks to everyone in the community who made this a wonderful event.*



Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus

Susan White
Director, Oneida Trust Department

The Oneida/Enrollment Committee has developed a product they feel meets a directive given by the General Tribal Council (G.T.C.) in 1997. This communication has been prepared for your information and input. The Trust Committee will be asking for a special G.T.C. meeting to present this proposal for G.T.C. action.

Background

The Tribe established the Oneida Trust Committee by G.T.C. resolution on 4/28/74. Since then, the G.T.C. directed many responsibilities to the Trust Committee and it became the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee. With the increasing responsibilities, the Trust Committee focused on completing all directives given. It has focused on these projects, and one by one is bringing closure to each. The following information is the Committees' response to a G.T.C. motion from 1997. The directive involved a Tribal Social Security Plan. The Trust Committee's proposed solution contains long-term and affordable criteria. After years of due diligence, the Committee has created a product unique for the Oneida Nation.

In a General Tribal Council meeting on August 11, 1997, a motion was made directing the Trust Committee to develop a Social Security Plan.

"Motion by Lloyd Powless that the Trust Committee work with Bill Gollnick and bring back a comprehensive plan on the Tribal Social Security System." Seconded by Corrine Zhuckkahosee. Motion carried.

Since then, the Trust/Enrollment Committee worked to fulfill this directive. There were no parameters included in the motion for the committee to follow, such as a time line or funding, but they researched this subject for a long term solution.

In trying to follow the directive to develop a "Program" that could fill the needs of the entire membership, the Committee compared the existing Tribal benefits to the Federal Social Security system and to other social security systems. But the costs to "mirror" the federal system were prohibitive for the Tribe.

Product Development

The Committee developed criteria in the development of this product. Their goal was to amplify current benefits and improve the quality of life for tribal members. The criteria are:

1. ***Equity...***The plan had to be equitable for ALL members
2. ***Cost Efficient...***It had to be affordable for the Oneida Nation
3. ***Tax efficient...***It had to have tax advantages for Oneidas.
4. ***Low Risk...***It must be safe.
5. Flexible...It had to be flexible.
6. ***Membership Driven...***It had to meet need for the total membership
7. ***Perpetual...***The plan had to be able to eventually support itself, indefinitely

Of all the benefits available to tribal members at this time, the Committee determined the Burial Fund could be improved, thereby granting some peace at a time in need. The current burial benefit is $5,000 for burial expenses, which is paid directly to the funeral home, monument company, and cemetery. If the money were paid directly to the beneficiary from this fund, a tax consequence would be created. In many cases, the family is left with funeral expenses after the burial fund is used because of the increasing costs of funerals.

Epic Life Insurance Company

One of the biggest obstacles to overcome was locating an insurance company that would develop a custom program to fill the needs of the Tribe. Most insurance companies only deal with employer/employee relationships. Finding a company to design the special program was difficult until EPIC Insurance.

The Trust Department connected with EPIC Life Insurance Company[1], which was willing to design such a program for the Oneida Nation.

The Committee decided to focus on life insurance, because:

1. Its universally available to ALL Tribal members
2. It's affordable.
3. It's tax efficient – the benefits to the beneficiary will be tax-free.
4. It spreads risks over a year. Normally, not all people are eligible for insurance.

NOTE: It is estimated that 12.2% of Native Americans have type II diabetes, twice that of the US population, which translates to not being eligible for insurance or are charged higher premiums.

5. The benefit can be adjusted to keep pace with inflation
6. It's an area that the Tribe hasn't finalized.
7. Rates are guaranteed and it is a guaranteed benefit.

Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus

Instead of the $5,000 burial fund, the benefit will be increased to $15,000 of life insurance. The premiums will be paid by the Oneida Tribe. It is a tax free benefit for the beneficiary when paid by the insurance carrier. The tribal member designates their beneficiary. If there is no designated beneficiary, the benefit defaults to next of kin or estate. The beneficiary directs the use of the funds. They may use it for burial expenses, pay off debt, start an education fund, use for bereavement needs, etc.

The plan design is flexible. The options available are:

- Provide $15,000 to the designated beneficiary.
- Pay a $10,000 benefit to the beneficiary and process the $5,000 burial benefit according to the Tribe's current Burial Fund Endowment Law.
- Pay $10,000 to the beneficiary and $5,000 of the benefit to the Premium Stabilization Fund, to make it self-sustaining and perpetual.

Or a combination of the above.

This project has been designed in 2 phases. More information concerning the Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus will be published in the next few weeks.

The Trust Committee, it's task force, and Department have collected input from 6 community meetings and incorporated these comments into the proposal. If you have not already provided comments, your input is needed.

For more information concerning this project, please contact the Oneida Trust Department at 1.800.236.2214 or directly at 1.920.490.3935.

[1] EPIC Life Insurance is a Wisconsin based company, with in force life insurance of $1.1 billion dollars. EPIC is rated BBBq by Fitch Insurance Rating Agency and carries a Weiss rating of B+

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not go along with the city's hiring and marketing demands. Without the road, the Senecas said they would build a much smaller and less spectacular facility than the $125 million complex they envisioned.

Under Thursday's agreement, which needs approval from the Senecas' Tribal Council and the city's Common Council, the Senecas would pay $631,000 for the street and spend an additional $5 million to $7 million on infrastructure improvements surrounding the site. The tribe also would spend more than $1.7 million annually to market the Buffalo Creek casino outside the region, and give city residents hiring preference for half of the casino's projected 1,000 jobs.

"I can state with confidence this agreement is good for the city of Buffalo," Brown said.

Snyder said the agreement will allow the Senecas to resume plans to build a "signature facility" that through revenue sharing will bring Buffalo an estimated $5 million to $7 million a year.

The Senecas currently operate two casinos, in Niagara Falls and Salamanca, Cattaraugus County. A 2002 compact between the Senecas and Gov. George Pataki provided for construction of three casinos in western New York. In exchange, the Senecas must give 18 percent of slot machine profits to the state to share with the host communities.

A week ago, the Senecas delivered $68 million to the state, representing its 2005 share of profits. Snyder said $45.2 million came from the Seneca Niagara Casino & Hotel slot revenues, while $23.2 million came from the Seneca Allegany Casino in Salamanca. Of that, an estimated $11.3 million will go to Niagara Falls and Salamanca will get $5.8 million.

The 22,000-square-foot Buffalo casino is expected to open within two years. In the meantime, the Senecas plan to open a smaller, temporary casino at the site in the spring.

The agreement-in-principle announced Thursday came one day before the start of a two-day conference organized by gambling opponents seeking to stop construction of a casino. Rochester businessman and Buffalo Sabres owner B. Thomas Golisano was scheduled to deliver Friday's keynote address. Several anti-casino lawsuits are pending.

In Loving Memory of...

Larwin Vern' James King

who passed on 2 years ago October 25, 2004

This day is remembered and quietly kept,
no words are needed we shall
never forget.
For those we love
don't go away,
they walk beside
us every day.





We still miss you
and think about you
each and every day!

Lovingly remembered and sadly missed by, wife Rena, Children Annette & Lisa, their spouses, Grandchildren Raquel, Tiffany, Michael, and Family & Friends

Remembering...

Delphina Jordan

who would have been 52 on October 13th

Remember yesterday
walking side by side...

Now, we wake up to the city
sounds of pouring rain, the
wind would whisper and we
think of you.
What hurts the most
was being so close and
watching you slip away.

We love and miss her so much!





Always your Children,
Sally, Joseph, Lydia, and Delphina Jr.
And Forever Grandchildren,
Wyntr, Savannah, Adrian Jr., Alonzo, Asaylia, Leticia, Rosalinda, and Christian

Business

Web's Auto Body welds business and family ties together

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

By Steven J. Gandy
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"We'll paint anything that rolls, slides, slithers or flies." One step into the offices at Web's Kustom Touch Auto Body and you will begin to understand why that phrase is on Don Webster business card.

Web's Kustom Touch Auto Body in Oneida has been up and running for seven years. Their location in Oneida has been home for four of those years.

It came time to move to Oneida when Owners, Don Webster and his Wife, Jennifer, decided to expand their business in De Pere.

"Well that was just a small shop behind his parents' house. We needed a bigger shop, we needed the spray booth and this used to be my dad's machine shop," Jennifer said.

Don has been interested in, and worked on, cars for 29 years. He has taken that passion and turned it into a successful business.

"When you turn 16, you want your car," Don explained. "That's what kinda brought it all in. You look at all those hot rod magazines and get all those ideas, and it turns into this."

Don spent four years at Northeast Wisconsin Technical College studying a variety of auto related fields.

"I did two years of mechanic, one year of auto body and one year of welding," Don said.

Web's Kustom Touch is a full service restoration and auto body shop capable of doing insurance and collision work as well as full restoration and auto-body alterations.

"Overhaulen', Pimp My Ride, we do all that stuff and you don't have to go to California to get it. You don't have to pay a million dollars for it," Don said.

Web's Kustom Touch is truly a family business. The Websters have three children, all of whom help with different aspects of the business. Marcus is a junior and Zack is a freshman, at Pulaski high school. The youngest is Olivia, a fifth grader at Hillcrest elementary. According to Don, the boys already are becoming proficient welders and pinstripes and Olivia also enjoys practicing her pinstriping after school.

Don enjoys the freedom and responsibility that come with being a small business owner.

"I like being my own boss, I don't think I would ever go back to work for anyone else," Don said. "It's feast or famine thought. You don't have anyone to blame but yourself."

Jennifer echos her husband's sentiments, "It's hard work, sometimes we're here until midnight and on weekends he's usually here."

The Websters do find some time to work on their own project.

"We got a family project . . . we chopped the top of a 50 Plymouth four inches," Don said. "The fabrication is the fun part. The tedious stuff is the finishing off."

One upcoming project Web's has on the horizon is customizing a Zamboni for the yet-to-be-built Howard-Suamico-Pulaski ice arena.

Even with his busy schedule, Don still finds time to help out others by donating his time to help raise money for the Milwaukee Children Hospital.

"In Milwaukee, we do what's called Pinstripe Legends. We go down there and pinstripe for charity, for the children's hospital, and to date we raised $110,000 for that charity," Don said.

Web's Kustom Touch Auto Body is located in Oneida at 3792 County Rd. U. Don and Jennifer can be reached by phone at **920-869-9327**.



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Don and Jennifer Webster and their three children (L to R) Marcus, Olivia and Zack sit in front of their auto body shop in Oneida. The Websters have been featured in several trade magazines for their work throughout the years.

Mohegans to open first Pennsylvania slots casino Nov. 14

By Micheal Rubinkam
Associated Press Writer

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (AP) ~ Pennsylvania's foray into legalized casino gambling will mark an important milestone on Nov. 14, when the first of as many as 61,000 slot machines statewide are scheduled to begin whirring and ka-chinging at a horse racetrack outside Wilkes-Barre.

The Mohegan Sun at Pocono Downs, one of five racetracks to be awarded casino licenses by state gambling regulators last month, announced Monday that it will be first out of the gate to open a slots parlor.

"I think there's a feeling not only of relief but excitement that we're able to move forward and we have an actual opening date that is not too far off," said Pocono Downs chief executive officer Robert Soper.

The Mohegan Indian tribe of Connecticut, owner and operator of the Pocono Downs harness racing complex in Plains Township, spent $70 million on a 40,000-square-foot slots parlor. It includes two gambling floors with 1,083 machines

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Mohegan casino

Calendar

October 14

Staber Burr Benefit
WHEN: Saturday, October 14, 2006 • 1 P.M. – 6 P.M.
PLACE: Brown County Golf Course
Come join friends and family of Staber Burr as we gather to support him through his difficult time. Live Auction, Silent Auction, Raffles, Hole-in-One contest with a chance to win $10,000. There will be music, cash bar and complimentary hors d'oreurves.

October 18

Community Meeting on Maple Sugaring
WHEN: October 18, 2006
PLACE: Parish Hall
Meal at 5 PM and 6 PM Photo History, Heifer International Introduction, Cordwood building demo. For more information contact Sylvia at 496-5352

November 4-11

34th Annual Indian Film Festival
WHEN: Nov. 4–11, 2006
PLACE: San Francisco, CA
For more information: **www.aifisf.com**

August 17-19, 2007

Annual SMSC Wacipi (Pow Wow)
WHEN: August 17-19, 2007
PLACE: Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, Minnesota
The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community will hold their annual Wacipi (Pow Wow) Friday through Sunday, August 17, 18, and 19, 2007. The public is invited to experience the beauty and dignity of Native American culture at this event. On Thursday, August 16, 2007, the SMSC plans to hold a dance exhibition as a preview to the Pow Wow in Sam Goody Central at the Mall of America, Bloomington, Minn..

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there! FMI, please contact: Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

From Page 1A/ CAPPS training

having them work with people from other departments.

Justine Souto, Community Partnership Coordinator for the Good Mind Great Future Program, said, "If we were learning this process and we were all from one department, we would be having a very narrow focus. And because we're all mixed in different groups, we're able to look at a wider view."

Cavis, who is Cherokee and Apache, is optimistic that Oneida will follow though with the goals set in the training.

"It's just an honor and it's very humbling to be amongst these noble people that really care about their community and really want to wrap their arms around each child and care for each one of their members," he said.

BayBank Community Banking the Way it Used to Be.

Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program

Thousands of Families in Indian Country have achieved the dream of owning a home. The section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program has made that possible.

- Single-close for construction and permanent loans
- Loan limit –150% of FHA limit
- Low down payment
- No maximum income limits
- Flexible underwriting
- 1% guarantee fee at closing
- Assumable
- Secondary market potential
- 100% guarantee to lender

Homeownership in Indian Country

In 1992, Congress established the Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program. The program was designed to offer homeownership and housing rehabilitation opportunities for eligible Native American individuals, families, tribes, and Tribally Designated Housing Entities. (including Indian Housing Authorities) on their native lands and within an approved Indian area as defined in HUD P.I.H. Notice 2004-19.



Section 184 Program Highlights

- More than 1400 Loans creating more than $143 million in mortgage financing.
- Nationwide program on Tribal trust land, allotted trust, or fee simple land in an Indian operating area – state of Wisconsin.
- Refinancing available
- New and Rehab loan guarantees available

How does Section 184 Work?

HUD guarantees the mortgage loan made to eligible borrowers. The loan guarantee assures Bay Bank, the only participating lender in the Green Bay area, that its investment will be repaid in the event of a foreclosure. The borrower pays 1% loan guarantee fee at closing, which may be financed in the mortgage or paid in cash. The borrower applies for the loan with Bay Bank and works with the tribe and the BIA if leasing tribal land. Bay Bank will then evaluate the necessary loan documentation and submit the loan for approval to the Office of Loan Guarantees (located in Denver, Colorado) for underwriting and a formal commitment, unless the lender is an approved direct guarantee lender.

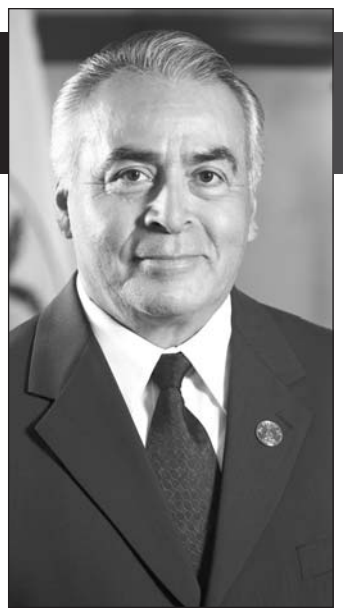
Who is Eligible for a Section 184 Loan?

- Any Native American or Alaska Native that is a member of a federally recognized tribe or an Alaskan village.
- An Indian Tribe
- A Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE)
- An Indian Housing Authority (IHA)

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2555 Packerland Drive • Green Bay, WI 54313
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Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Sagoli,

On Monday, October 23, 2006, the Oneida Tribe, along with a group of Oneida's vendors known as "Oneida Means Business," will be hosting a debate among the 8th Congressional District Candidates, Dr. Steve Kagen (democrat) and current State Representative John Gard (republican). The debate will be moderated by WFRV Channel 5's news broadcaster Tom Zalaski and is scheduled to begin at 12:00 noon and will last until approximately 2:00 p.m. There will be a question and answer session where the participants will have an opportunity to ask questions about issues important to us.

The debate will be held at the Radisson Inn in the Wolf Room and will begin with a "Get Out the Vote Rally" at 11:00 a.m. The rally is scheduled to be presented with a variety of speakers who will touch on important issues to our area and Oneida. The rally speakers will also emphasis why it is important to vote in the upcoming election and our guest keynote speaker will be the Native American and Olympian Medalist Billie Mills.

Oneida votes have made a difference in past elections at all levels and we need to keep the momentum alive by continuing to participate in the political process. Two examples of the difference Oneida votes made, were the election of Tribal Secretary Patti Hoeft to the Brown County Board of Supervisors and the election of Representative Tom Nelson to the State of Wisconsin Assembly.

The Nation makes every effort to inform our citizens on candidates and issues in upcoming elections. Our vote is our voice. Voting day is Tuesday, November 7, 2006, and it is imperative for Oneida people to vote for candidates who best support our needs and listen to and address our concerns. Every year our voters' participation has increased, thus ensuring our voices are being heard. With your vote, we can make a difference in this election. On behalf of the Business Committee, I encourage you to take the time to learn about the candidates' positions and attend the "Get Out the Vote Rally" and 8th Congressional Debate on Monday, October 23. Finally, the Oneida Business Committee is ready to return to the Norbert Hill Center. By Monday, October 16, the Business Committee and staff should be fully functional. I would like to thank the Center for Self-Sufficiency Staff for accommodating the Oneida Business Committee during the past three months by allowing our department to use their office space at the Social Services Building. I would also like to thank the Department of Public Works, the Planning Department, the M.I.S. Department and the Business Committee Office Manager for facilitating a smooth transition. These dedicated departments have allowed the Business Committee and staff to continue serving the community throughout the two transitional moves, with little disruption.

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Treasurer's Report



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

Greetings,

FY 2006 Budget

The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting.

The FY2006 Fiscal Year came to an end on September 30th, 2006. The organization is working to close out all expenses for the year. The year end auditing process will occur in upcoming months and we look forward to preparing the year end Treasurer's Report once the audit is complete.

FY2007 Budget

The FY2007 Budget was presented at the Saturday September 16th General Tribal Council Meeting in the amount of $411,134,099. A quorum was established and the budget was approved by the following motion:

Motion by Don Lilly to approve the FY07 budget with only one amendment to approve the request of Leland Wigg-Ninham to reduce Appeals Commission salary increase from 7% to 3%, seconded by Kevin Cornelius. For: 55 Opposed: 28 Abstained: 1 Motion carried.

Since the motion reduces the Appeals Commission salary increase, we made the necessary adjustments to their budget and the overall budget.

I would like to send my sincere appreciation to the organization for working so diligently on the FY2007 budget. All of your hard work made it possible to bring forward a balanced budget for General Tribal Council consideration. I would also like to thank the General Tribal Council for making the budget a priority and providing input and comments that we can use to make the budget process better. Your participation is greatly needed and appreciated.

Get out the Vote!

As many of you are aware, elections are once again upon us. It is very important that our citizens and employees of the Oneida Nation encourage one another to take the time to register and go to the polls and vote. I'm sure many of you have seen the advertisements for the races in the 8th Congressional District between John Gard and Steve Kagen and the race for Governor between Mark Green and Jim Doyle. These races are very important for the future of Wisconsin and I urge everyone to vote and to encourage others to vote as well. If you have any questions about the candidates or when and where to vote, please contact the Legislative Affairs office at (920) 869-4388, or toll free at 1-800-236-2214.

Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

Yaw^ko
Mercie L. Danforth

Legislative Update



Councilwoman
Trish King

Sagoli:

Following are brief updates on the activities my office has been working on over the past few months.

Spinning-off as a side-project of service negotiations with local governments, my office, along with Councilman Paul Ninham's office, are coordinating an educational curriculum that can be used to help everyone understand the Oneida Nation Government. The resulting compilation of information will be able to be used by Tribal members, community members, local government officials, and anyone else who shows an interest in learning who we are, our status as a Sovereign Nation, and how we operate. We have engaged the assistance of the Cultural Heritage Area Manager, Dr. Carol Cornelius and Tribal Historian, Loretta V. Metoxen to help us identify and put together all the relevant materials necessary to give a full and accurate picture of the Oneida Government.

Another component being researched by my office, is in regards to the need within our community and our organization to develop and maintain skilled laborers. What does this class of worker need to be successful, such as education, on-the-job-training, certifications, apprenticeships, or journeyman licensures, to name a few. The Compliance Department, Dept. of Public Works, and the Human Resources Dept. will also assist with the research and work toward a proposal for consideration by the Tribal Administration.

I am working on redrafting the Comprehen-sive Policy Governing Boards, Committees, and Commissions in a way that the LOC can support. The LOC was unable to come to an agreement on the direction of the policy in the past, and this item was tabled. However, the overall policy is not the cause of controversy, but rather the stipend portion of the proposed law is where we were unable to come to an agreement. Some of these entities were created as a result of a grant requirement, some as a result of a regulatory requirement, and some as advisors to the organization. As our organization grew, these entities continued to develop. In the past, most entity members volunteered their time. Over time the Tribe started paying the members a stipend for their services. As we look at what is needed now and into the future to help the Tribal organization enhance services to the people, we are finding that the function and purpose for some of these entities are no longer necessary, or that some can be merged with others to better serve the community and save on expense. I will be reworking the stipends section of the draft law, with a few other minor changes and bringing a recommendation back to the Legislative Operating Committee for consideration.

Along with the Human Resources Department, Legislative Reference Office, and Business Committee Office Manager, I have been working on the development of a Political Appointment Policy and Standard Operating Procedure for elected bodies, which have never existed within our Tribal system. This will help cure inconsistencies, define benefits, and assign appointments as a class of employees different from permanent and temporary employees of the Tribe. All roles and responsibilities will be defined clearly for the hiring, firing, and grievance processes. Since this will be a new law, the documents will be brought through the legislative process.

On a more personal note, I started taking classes this fall to complete my bachelor's degree in Business Management at Concordia University. It has proven to be a very rewarding and enjoyable experience thus far, and I encourage everyone to continue their educational experience throughout their lifetime. Education is becoming more and more important as employment competition becomes stronger. The Oneida Nation is reporting record numbers of graduates this year! I applaud the efforts of everyone who has taken this journey.

Next Regular Business Committee Meeting...
October 25, 2006
9:00 A.M.
BC Conference Room
NHC • 2nd Floor

Business Committee move back to NHC

The Oneida Business Committee and Legislative Reference Office will be moving back to the Norbert Hill Center on October 12 – 13, (Thursday & Friday). These two days will be moving days with minimal communication and email capabilities.

On Monday, October 16, 2006, the BC & LRO offices will be fully operational.

Special Thanks...

The Oneida Business Committee, Staff and LRO Department would like to take this opportunity to thank the Center for Self-sufficiency for allowing us to occupy their offices during our move. We truly appreciate the hospitality by the staff; Linda Torres, Pre Leverence, Lisa Schwartz, Michelle Rutues and Stephanie Vega as well as Lance Occhino, Irvin Metoxen and maintenance staff, Custodial staff member, Virginia Dessart. We also thank the SSB/MIS group, Bob McKindles, Jason Doxtator, & Julie Eckberg. Thank you all for making us feel welcome!

Another thank you goes out to those individuals and departments who assisted us in the our move to Green Bay and who will be assisting us on our way back; MIS/Telecommunications (Brad Bessert, Joe Poole, Tom Kros & Roy Sloan, Eric Bristol), Purchasing (Steve Grishaber & Jed Schacht), DPW staff (Jacque Boyle, Mike King, Craig Clausen, Clyde Skenandore & crew), NHC Maintenance Crew (Kevin Shilka, John Christjohn, Ray Terrien, Jeremy VandeiHei), Engineering Department (Troy Parr, Wayne Metoxen, Paul Witek). Communications (Bobbi Webster, Phil Wisneski), and Kalihwisaks (Dawn, Yvonne & Steve). Our apologies if we have forgotten anyone. We truly appreciate the coordination of everyone in making our move from one building and back, a smooth one.

Yaw^ko,
Oneida Business Committee, Legislative Reference Office & Support Staff
Pogi King Dessart & Lisa Summers (BC move coordinators)

Letters...

Oneida License Plates...a hot item

To the BC and Tribal Members,

I have been noticing all of the Native American license plates and I am very curious as to why the Oneida license plates are only issued to the Native Americans who live on the reservation. Wouldn't it help our people (Oneidas) financially and also help to locate the ones who live in another state or country? I'm sure it wouldn't bother people who live off the reservation to pay a little more for an Oneida license plate. I know I would be very proud to have an Oneida plate on my car. Please give me an answer.

Sincerely,
Barbara King, Appleton

Tribal member: 'Governor's race is critical'

Oneidas have made a difference in the politics of Northeast Wisconsin. In 2004, we estimate that 655 Oneidas voted in Oneida and 200 voted in Hobart. It is that time of year again and a group of Oneida community members are back asking you to get to the polls and vote Tuesday, November 7.

I know you hear this every time but this is the most important election of our lifetime. Specifically, the Governor's race is critical to you and your family. As Governor, Jim Doyle, Democrat has listened to our community concerns. More importantly, he negotiated in good faith our current gaming compacts, just like the previous Republican Governor. The compacts, like them or not, are the security for the services we get today such as health care, education and community development and for future growth of the Oneida Tribe.

As a Congressman entrusted to fulfill the federal governments trust responsibility to us, Mark Green, Republican has not listened or responded to our concerns. Mark Green is now a non-tribal resident of the Oneida Reservation, and if elected Governor, will continue to work to change our current way of life. Green has not tried to build bridges, work cooperatively and advocate our interests in the business of the State of Wisconsin. In fact, Mark Green doesn't want your money either. He returned a cash contribution from a Republican tribal member just because he was Oneida.

Make Oneida's vote heard and re-elect Governor Jim Doyle.

The U.S. House of Representative 8th district race is also very important to keep John Gard, Republican out of Congress since he has cast every possible vote against Oneidas and the other Wisconsin Tribes. Also, he sued Governor Jim Doyle, a Democrat, for negotiating the gaming compacts, a process created by the previous Republican Governor. And ironically, he is very vocal

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Letters (Continued)

Oneida Business Committee
Meeting Minutes



Regulary Meeting
September 13, 2006
Business Committee Conference Room
Present: Gerald Danforth–Chair, Trish King–Council member, Kathy Hughes–Vice Chair, Paul Ninham–Council member, Mercie Danforth–Treasurer, Melinda J. Danforth–Council member, Patty Hoeft–Secretary, Edward Delgado–Council member. *Excused:* Vince DelaRosa– Council member.
Others Present: Pat Kohlman, Marty Antone, Debbie Thundercloud, Leyne Orosco, Wanda Diemel, Norma Flauger, Barb Dickson, Susan White, Racquel Hill, Brenda John, Jim Martin.
Opening Prayer:
Randy Cornelius
Special Recognitions:
Introduction of Marty Antone as the head of Emergency Management Director by Bill Gollnick.
1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth
2. Oath of Office
Oneida Seven Generation Corporation Board
William Cornelius - Present and administered by Patricia Hoeft
3. Approval of the Agenda
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the agenda with the deletion of Legislative Affairs Halo Minutes, deletion of travel request #1, and the addition to Executive Session New Business #3 - Personnel Issue, and the assignment of 1:30 p.m. for Seven Generations, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Minutes to be Approved
Regular Business Committee Minutes of August 30, 2006
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the regular Business Committee minutes of August 30, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Tabled Business–None
6. Reports–None
7. Travel Reports
1. Patty Hoeft RE: EPA Meeting and Great Lakes Governors and Premiers, Chicago IL, June 19-21, 2006

Deferred August 1st, 16th, 30th
Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the travel report, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings
1. Patricia Kohlman RE: Retro approval of survey from Kelly Mella from UW-Madison as part of her degree

Excerpt from August 30th: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to retro approve Kelly Mella from UW Madison to conduct a survey as part of her degree, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
9. New Business:
a. Resolutions–None
b. Requests
1. Susan White RE: Trust Committee Recommendation

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the appointment of Sharon Alvarez to the Oneida Trust Committee, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Patty Hoeft RE: Post (2) vacancies for Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the posting of two vacancies for the Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Patty Hoeft RE: Post (2) vacancies for Oneida Housing Authority

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to post two vacancies for the Oneida Housing Authority, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Patty Hoeft RE: Post (1) vacancy for the Oneida Personnel Commission

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to post one vacancy for the Oneida Personnel Commission, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Patty Hoeft RE: Post (1) vacancy for Oneida Pow Wow Committee

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to post one vacancy for the Oneida Pow Wow Committee, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Patty Hoeft RE: Post (1) vacancy for Miss Oneida Committee

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to post one vacancy for the Miss Oneida Committee, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Racquel Hill RE: 2006 Election Results

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to ratify the official results of the Special Election of August 26, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
8. Kathy Hughes RE: Police Commission Recommendation

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Gerald Danforth RE: Pow Wow Committee Recommendations

Action: Motion by Melinda J.Danforth to approve the recommendations of appointing Maureen Metoxen, Lloyd E. Powless, Jr. and Ben Vieau to the Oneida Pow Wow Committee, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Gerald Danforth RE: Personnel Commission Recommendation

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.
11. Gerald Danforth RE: Arts Board Recommendation

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the recommendation of Cynthia Thomas to the Oneida Arts Board, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
12. Gerald Danforth RE: Audit Committee Recommendation

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to repost this vacant position, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.
c. Travel Requests
1. Melinda J. Danforth RE: National Tribal Gaming Commission/Regulators Conference–October 2-4, 2006

Action: **deleted**
2. Kathy Hughes RE: IHS/VA Steering Committee Mtg.- October 26, 2006

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the travel request, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Patty Hoeft, Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.
3. Kathy Hughes RE: Senate Confirmation Hearing–September 14, 2006

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the travel request, seconded by Trish King. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Melinda J. Danforth, Mercie Danforth. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.
10. Finance Committee – None
11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) – None
12. Treasurer's Report – None
13. Oneida Business Committee Planning – None
14. Executive Staff Meeting – None
15. Legislative Affairs Update
1. August 16, 2006 HALO Minutes - Approve

Excerpt from August 30th: Motion by Paul Ninham to defer this item for two weeks for clarification on the names, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: **Deleted**
16. Executive Session
a. Tabled Business
1. Chief of Staff RE: Amendment to Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Public Safety Officer Pension Plan

Excerpt from May 10, 2006 Minutes: Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer to July 5, 2006 for research of minutes from 70's, 80's and 01, correspondence from HR and management on this issue, recommendation from COS for options, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
Tabled: July 19th, August 16th, August 30th, September 13th
b. Old Business
1. Nelson Wahlstrom RE: Determining Tribal Representation in Criminal Court Proceedings

Excerpt from August 16th: Motion by Trish King to defer to the law office for a legal opinion, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the law office to bring back recommendations, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
c. New Business
1. Mercie Danforth RE: Retro Extension of the Gaming General Manager's Contract

Action: Motion by Trish King to retro approve the Extension of the Gaming General Manager's contract, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Vince DelaRosa RE: Gaming General Manager Contract

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to the October 11, 2006 Business Committee meeting with comments back from the Business Committee Interview Team at the September 27, 2006 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth that the law office create a new contract extension to the Gaming General Manager's current contract continued to December 31, 2006, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Gerald Danforth RE: Personnel Issue

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to accept as FYI, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
d. Legislative Affairs Update
1. Get Out to Vote Field Plan

Excerpt from August 30th: Motion by Mercie Danforth that a report on contribution and recommendations be provided, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer this item to the next Business Committee Meeting, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
e. Attorney Brief
1. Contract Reviews by department and contracts executed prior to legal review

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept as FYI, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
2. NR 151 Farm Land Fees

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth that draft Letter be delivered to appropriate county agency advising this issue will be deferred to the Service Agreement Team, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Cemetery Liability Issues

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to accept as FYI, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Village of Hobart Objection to Fee to Trust Application

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to direct the Chief of Staff to do a follow-up letter, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Decision of the Appeals Commission regarding Sovereign Immunity

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer this item to the Business Committee meeting of September 27, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
f. Audit Committee
Audit Committee Minutes of June 29, 2006
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Audit Committee minutes of June 29, 2006, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.
g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1st meeting of the month)
h. Seven Generation Corporation Update (1st and 2nd meeting of the month)
Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the Chair to draft a letter to Hobart referring all Thornberry issues to Seven Generations Corporation, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.
Recess/Adjourn
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adjourn, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on September 27, 2006.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Attention:
Starting October 16th, the Business Committee, will be located at the Norbert Hill Center, 2nd Floor. Thank you!

Next Regular Business Committee Meeting…
October 25, 2006 9:00 A.M.
Business Committee Conference Room
Norbert Hill Center • 2nd Floor
Please note: BC meetings will once again be held at this location.

To the highest bidder…





Vehicles

The following vehicles will become available through a sealed bid process. The bidding process includes:

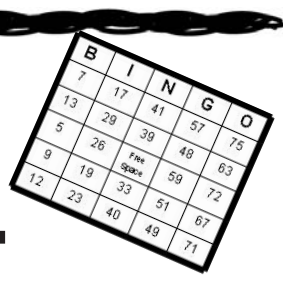
* **All vehicles are sold "as is"** please inspect vehicles carefully before bidding.
* Vehicles can be inspected at Department of Public Works, 1278 Ranch Road.
* Bidders must be enrolled tribal members and be 18 years old or older.
* Bidding will start on October 23rd and will end at 11:00am on Friday November 3rd. No exceptions. All bids to be considered need to be at D.P.W. by 11:00am.
* The sealed bids will be opened on Tuesday November 7th at 9:00am
* All sealed bids are to include vehicle tribal ID number on the left front fender, bid price, the bidder's full name, address, and telephone Number. The bid must be sealed in an envelope labeled vehicle sealed bid and dropped off at the Department of Public Works, Attention Amanda Stevens.
* The sealed bids will be opened by Bruce Danforth, Rick Fuss, Wes Smith, and Amanda Stevens.
* The highest bidder per vehicle will be notified by phone on Tuesday November 7th.
* All vehicles must be removed from Department of Public Works by Tuesday November 14th 2006.

Vehicles you can bid on include:

- 9123–1993 Chevy truck 4x4 169,972 miles (best offer)
- 9124–1993 Chevy S-10 truck 4x4 99,909 miles (best offer)
- 9138–1993 Chevy truck 155,731. miles (best offer)
- 9139–1993 Chevy truck 131,507 miles (best offer)
- 9145–1994 Ford E-350 Diamond bus 25 passengers miles ? (best offer)
- 9171–1994 Ford E-350 van 62,651 miles (best offer)
- 9177–1994 Ford E-350 van miles? (best offer
- 9186–1995 Chrysler Concorde car 4 door 66,557 miles (best offer)
- 9201–1995 Chevy S-10 blazer 4 door, 4x4 190,895 miles (best offer)
- 9214–1995 Ford Explorer 4 door, 4x4 87,034 miles (best offer)
- 9217–1995 Dodge caravan 124,243 miles (best offer)
- 9221–1995 Chevy S-10 Blazer 4 door, 4x4 143,247 miles (best offer)
- 9232–1995 Chevy 3/4 ton truck 4x4 with plow 176,695 miles (best offer)
- 9242–1996 Chevy S-10 truck ext cab 89,487. miles (best offer)
- 9245–1995 Chevy sport van 15 passengers, 100,242 miles (best offer)
- 9251–1996 Chevy Astro van miles ? (best offer)
- 9261–1996 Chrysler Concord 4 door 154,125 miles (best offer)
- 9263–1996 Chevy 3/4 ton truck 4x4 with plow, 179,646 miles (best offer)
- 9326–2002 Chevy S-10 Blazer 4x4 112,044 miles (best offer)

All vehicles must be paid for by money order or cashier's check and made out to the Oneida Tribe within 4 business days (November 13th) ***NO business checks, cash, or credit cards***
All vehicles not paid for by November 13th will be sold to the next highest bidder.

Elder BINGO…



On MONDAY's, on the following dates:

- October 16th
- November 13th
- December 11th
- October 30th
- November 27th
- December 18th

TIME: **1:00 P.M.**

WHERE: **Site II Building**
W1144 Park Dr.

For more information, please call
(920) 869-2227

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State

Candidate Information for Area Legislative Races

Submitted by Gina Zabrowski
Voices For Oneida

We are providing information on candidates for area legislative races in an effort to assist you in making an informed decision when you go to the polls on November 7th. This is the first in a serious of articles that will appear over the next month. Some of you took advantage of the opportunity to attend the Candidate Forum held at the Radisson on August 31st, which provided the candidates an opportunity to meet Oneida citizens and directly answer questions on a number of important topics. In this article we will provide information on the candidates for Assembly Districts 4 & 5, along with their answers to questions we presented addressing issues of importance to the Oneida Nation.

Assembly District 4

The 4th Assembly District consists of parts of Brown County including The Village of Allouez, The City of DePere, Ward 46 in the City of Green Bay, and most of the Village of Ashwaubenon. Phil Montgomery, (R), Ashwaubenon, is the incumbent running for re-election against Rich Langan (D), Green Bay.

Phil Montgomery (R) Inc.*
4th Assembly Dist. Candidate

Phil Montgomery was elected to the State Senate in the fall of 1998 during which time he has been fighting for traditional Republican issues such as lower taxes and spending, less government, and a strong education for our children. His civic involvement includes membership in Ashwaubenon Friday Morning Optimists, and Leadership Green Bay Alumni. He serves on the following committees in the State Legislature: Chair, Energy & Utilities; Co-Chair, Joint Survey Committee on Tax Exemptions; Committees on Housing, Insurance and State-Federal Relations.

Phil was the only candidate who was invited and did appear at the Candidate Forum on August 31st, and he did not respond to the candidate questionnaire.

Rich Langan (D)
4th Assembly Dist. Candidate

Rich lives in Ashwaubenon with his wife Sally and their 11-year-old son Matthew. For 20 years he worked as a police officer with the Ashwaubenon Department of Public Safety, and also became a firefighter and paramedic along with his police duties. In 2000 he sustained a career-ending injury and retired at the rank of Lieutenant. Since his retirement, along with his duties as Mr. Mom, he became involved with the Alzheimer's Association, and worked with the American Heart Association and other advocate groups to advance the use of Automated External Defibrillators around the state. He has testified, lobbied and advocated for causes before Congress and the Wisconsin Legislature.

Rich participated in the Candidate Forum on August 31st and following are his responses to the candidate questionnaire:

How important do you feel Indian gaming is to the region and to Wisconsin's economy?

Every city, town, or village has its own unique way of generating dollars to support its infrastructure. Indian gaming is a tourist attraction, like the beaches off Door County or the water parks of th eDells. As I've said many times before, if I saw fancy cars, large houses with swimming pools, prostitution and drugs, I would be highly suspect of the money gathered from gaming. Instead, I see an environmentally friendly community that wants to preserve its culture for future generations. A community that doesn't tax its residents yet maintains it own infrastructure. I see nursing ghomes, clinics, schools, social services, affordable housing and a low unemployment rate. Gaming saves millions of dollars by paying for services that would ordinarily have to be supplied by he county or the state. It also is one of the largest employers in the region.

Would you support a legislative resolution recognizing the sovereignty of Wisconsin's 11 Indian Nations and push for its passage in the State Legislature? Why or why not?

I have little experience with Indian Nations other than the Oneida Nation. If the others are ready, willing and able to take on the responsibility then I say yes I would support legislation. I would, however, hate to see an entire group of citizens without support if they are allowed to venture out on their own before being prepared.

Do you think new gaming compacts should be renegotiated, as one gubernatorial candidate has suggested?

No. A deal is a deal.

The sovereign Tribal Governments, the State of Wisconsin and the federal government regulate tribal gaming. Do you think this is adequate?

Why would we need any more oversight, and what other group would provide it? I think you are more tightly regulated than Las Vegas.

Assembly District 5

The 5th Assembly District includes all or parts of Brown, Outagamie and Shawano Counties, and stretches from the northeast corner of Appleton to the west side of Green Bay, including most of the Oneida Nation Reservation. Tom Nelson, (D), Kaukauna, is the incumbent running for re-election against Jim Reigel (R), Green Bay.

Tom Nelson (D) Inc*
5th Assembly Dist. Candidate

Tom Nelson has been a member of the Assembly since his election in 2004. During his term he has authored and sponsored legislation covering an array of policy areas, in particular safe-guarding victims rights, promoting veterans benefits, making health insurance more affordable & accessible, raising the minimum wage, protecting life-saving medical research and improving the business climate in our state. Representative Nelson has been open and receptive to dialogue and communication with Oneida citizens and Business Committee members, and he attended the Candidate Forum held at the Radisson on August 31st.

Following are Representative Nelson's responses to the candidate questionnaire:

How important do you feel Indian gaming is to the region and to Wisconsin's economy?

Indian gaming has become an important component of Wisconsin's economy, especially here in northeastern Wisconsin. The Oneida Nation's bingo and casino complex provides over 3,000 good paying jobs in our community, and generates millions of dollars of tourism revenue. With almost the entire reservation in the 5th District, I am committed to working with the Oneida Nation to build upon the economic success we've already realized.

Would you support a legislative resolution recognizing the sovereignty of Wisconsin's 11 Indian Nations and push for its passage in the State Legislature? Why or why not?

Yes. The federal government already recognizes the sovereignty of Indian nations. There should be no reason that Wisconsin does not do this.

Do you think new gaming compacts should be renegotiated, as one gubernatorial candidate has suggested?

No, the current compacts benefit the taxpayers of Wisconsin, as well as Wisconsin's Indian nations.

The sovereign Tribal Governments, the State of Wisconsin and the federal government regulate tribal gaming. Do you think this is adequate?

The current situation is adequate. Adding legislative oversight in the negotiating of gaming compacts would be not beneficial. This debate is laden with overtly partisan agendas that do not bear in mind the best interests of the state or the tribes.

Jim Reigel (R)
5th Assembly Dist. Candidate

Jim Reigel has been married to his wife Susan for 32 years, has two grown children and describes himself as a Wisconsin conservationist, with a deep concern for small businesses, which he considers the heart of the Wisconsin economy. Memberships include the NRA, the Wisconsin Restaurant Association, the National Audubon Society & the Brown County Taxpayers Association. His civic involvement includes work on the Pulaski School District Site Committee and the Hobart Ethics Committee. He has also been involved with various environmental efforts connected to the PCB cleanup of the Fox River, particularly in the Brown county area.

Jim also attended the Candidate Forum on August 31st; in lieu of responding to the candidate questionnaire, Jim submitted the following record he has developed over the past 6 years with regards to fighting for Oneida issues of land, air, and water:

2001 – Worked with the Oneida Nation, opposing landfill changes, threats to Duck Creek, and the location of the Brown County Transfer Station.

2002 – In partnership with the Oneida Nation BC, opposed the Transfer Station at all levels of government, including picketing at the site, frequent appearances at Brown Co. Committee and Board meetings.

2003 – With the support of the Oneida Nation, continued opposition to the West Landfill, the Transfer Station, and the polluting of Duck Creek Aquifer. Also worked to support a change in Hobart village government.

2004 – Working with Oneida Environmental Department, continued efforts to oppose Landfill use, noting repeated violations of DNR statutes and monitoring well failures .

2005 – Opposed use of overweight, special permit trucks rolling through Oneida neighborhoods, and County failure to prevent pollution of roadways, ditches and the air in Oneida neighborhoods.

2006 – Ongoing opposition to the use of the Georgia Pacific site for PCB disposal, from filing conflict of interest complaints to documentation of detailed violations.

* (I) Incumbent

Campaign Committee Information

We hope this information has been helpful. We are also providing Campaign Committee information if you want to contact the candidates with any specific questions or issues you would like addressed. You can also contact them if you are interested in displaying a yard sign, or if you are interested in volunteering to help get your favorite candidate elected.

Assembly District 4

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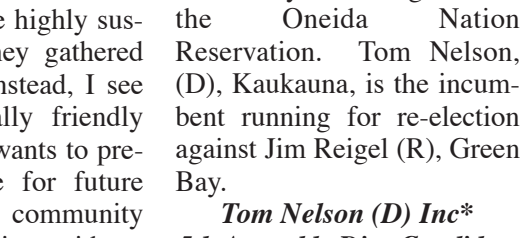
Jim Reigel for Assembly
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Green Bay, WI 54307
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JOIN US FOR AN
8TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DEBATE
October 23, 2006, Radisson Inn & Conference Center

This is an opportunity to learn about some of the issues that are important to all of us and to become educated about the candidates' position on these issues. Your attendance will help you make an informed decision at the polls on November 7, 2006!

Agenda:

- Welcome and introduction: Gerald Danforth, Chairman, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
- Introduction of Candidates: Tom Zalaski, WFRV-TV CBS 5
- Debate Issues:
 - Health Care
 - Native American Issues
 - War
 - Environmental
 - Wisconsin's Economy
- Closing remarks from each candidate
- Question and answer (time permitting; written questions selected from the audience)
- Meet & Greet reception



8TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DEBATE

- **Date: October 23, 2006**
- **Time: 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM**
- **Location: Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, Green Bay, in the Wolf Room**

For more information, please contact Doug Hutchison, OMB Committee member at (920) 430-5131 ext. 225 or Tana Aguirre, Oneida Legislative Affairs at (920) 869-4239.



OMB

Pre-Debate Rally

Meet at the Radisson Inn
at 11:00 A.M. for a rally
before the
Kagen-Gard Debate

Catch the speakers and refreshments

Wisconsin Salutes Veterans License Plate

The Division of Motor Vehicles has begun issuing its newest special plate. Wisconsin Salutes Veterans license plates have a white background with black numbers and letters. An American bald eagle, flanked by both the US and Wisconsin flags, is on the left. In red letters, "Wisconsin" is printed at the top and "Salutes Veterans" is printed at the bottom of the plates.



Wisconsin Salutes Veterans plates are available for the following motor vehicles: automobiles, motor homes (with annual registration only), light trucks having a gross weight of 4,500, 6,000 or 8,000 pounds including dual purpose farm and dual purpose motor homes and 12,000 pound gross weight farm trucks.

- There is a $15 issuance fee associated with non-personalized Wisconsin Salutes Veterans plates that is applied to the Veterans Trust Fund.
- Personalized plates, which can carry up to six characters, are also available and are charged an annual $15 personalized plate fee, the same as other personalized plates.
- Registration fees paid for current plates will be credited towards the purchase of the plates for the same vehicle type. However, no credit is given towards the $15 issuance or personalized fee.
- Wisconsin Salutes Veterans plates carry no special parking privileges.

More information and application forms are online at: <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/drivers/vehicles/personal/special/salutes.htm>

National

Some poor Alaska villages reject oil aid from Venezuela for reasons of patriotism

By Jeannette J. Lee
Associated Press Writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) ~ In Alaska's native villages, the punishing winter cold is already coming through the walls of the lightly insulated plywood homes, many of the villagers are desperately poor, and heating-oil prices are among the highest in the U.S.

And yet a few villages are refusing free heating oil from Venezuela, on the patriotic principle that no foreigner has the right to call their president "the devil."

The heating oil is being offered by the petroleum company controlled by Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, President George W. Bush's nemesis. While scores of Alaska's Eskimo and Indian villages say they have no choice but to accept, others would rather suffer.

"As a citizen of this country, you can have your own opinion of our president and our country. But I don't want a foreigner coming in here and bashing us," said Justine Gunderson, administrator for the tribal council in the Aleut village of Nelson Lagoon. "Even though we're in economically dire straits, it was the right choice to make."

Nelson Lagoon residents pay more than $5 a gallon for oil - or at least $300 a month per household - to heat their homes along the wind-swept coast of the Bering Sea, where temperatures can dip to minus-15 degrees Fahrenheit (minus 26 C). About one-quarter of the 70 villagers are looking for work, in part because Alaska's salmon fishing industry has been hit hard by competition from fish farms.

The donation to Alaska's native villages has focused attention on the rampant poverty and high fuel prices in a state that is otherwise awash in oil - and oil profits. In 2005, 86 percent of the Alaska's general fund, or $2.8 billion (euro2.2 billion), came from oil from the North Slope.

The Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association, a native nonprofit organization that would have handled the heating oil donation on behalf of 291 households in Nelson Lagoon, Atka, St. Paul and St. George, rejected the offer because of the insults Chavez has hurled at Bush.

Chavez called Bush "the devil" in a speech to the United Nations last month. He has also called the president a terrorist and denounced the war in Iraq.

Dimitri Philemonof, president and chief executive of the association, said accepting the aid would be "compromising ourselves." "I think we have some duty to our country, and I think it's loyalty," he said.

Over the past two years, Citgo, the Venezuelan government's Texas-based oil subsidiary, has given millions of gallons of discounted heating oil to the poor in several states and cities - including New York, Connecticut, Vermont, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Maine - in what is widely seen as an effort by Chavez to embarrass and irritate the U.S. government and make himself look good.

About 150 native villages in Alaska have accepted money for heating oil from Citgo. The oil company does not operate in Alaska, so instead of sending oil, it is donating about $5.3 million (euro4.2 million) to native nonprofit organizations to buy 100 gallons (380 liters) this winter for each of more than 12,000 households.

"When you have a dire need and it is a matter of survival for your people, it doesn't matter where, what country, the gift or donation comes from," said Virginia Commack, an elder in the arctic village of Ambler, an impoverished Eskimo community of 280 where residents are paying $7.25 a gallon for fuel.

For years, Alaska natives have accused the state and federal governments of sending too little money to their tiny, far-flung communities, where fuel and grocery prices are bloated by the high costs of delivery by plane and barge.

An editorial last month in the Anchorage Daily News bashed the Legislature's rejection in March of an $8.8 million state supplement to a federal program that helps poor Alaskans with home heating costs.

"It's embarrassing that residents in a state with so much oil wealth should be looking to a foreign nation for help," the newspaper said. "It's hard to blame villagers for accepting the gift."

A spokesman for Gov. Frank Murkowski, John Manly, said the governor believes Chavez's donation is a ploy to undermine Americans' faith in their government. But he said it is up to each village to make its own decision.

"It seems like a very strange irony that we produce the oil and yet every year there seems to be a chronic problem in getting the fuel to people that need it," Manly said.

From Page 4A/*Mohegan Casino*

and a food court, bar and patio.

The lineup will include 500 reel games, 450 video machines and video poker, in denominations ranging from a half-penny to $100 for the high rollers. The first shipment of games arrived at Pocono Downs on Monday morning, from WMS Gaming Inc. of Waukegan, Ill.

Soper predicted the casino will draw most of its gamblers from northeastern Pennsylvania, but also from New York and New Jersey.

"The bulk of our new customers will be slot players who currently do not wager on horse racing," he said. "We plan to try to market horse racing to these new customers in hopes that some of them ... enjoy it."

Pocono Downs has hired 400 people to staff the casino. The tribe plans a second phase of development that will nearly double the number of slot machines and add retail shops, a nightclub and other amenities.

From Page 5A/*Letters (Continued)*

about his dislike of Indian Gaming, although it is a major economic contributor of jobs, taxes and opportunity for northeast Wisconsin.

Steve Kagen has reached out to Oneida and will create a liaison position in his office for Tribes in the district to keep lines of communication open.

Finally, please vote for State Representative Tom Nelson, Democrat. Representative Nelson has taken his job seriously as your representative by working hard publicly and behind the scenes to find a resolution to the PCB landfill issue. And he even makes house calls to learn about issues that are important to you. Oneida needs him back in Madison.

So we are going to be asking for your help, your time, and your understanding as we work to get the Oneida Tribal citizens to vote for those candidates who will best represent Oneida. And we ask for your patience with our phone calls and visits to your house over the next few weeks.

If you are interested in helping build your community, having fun, giving money, meeting new people, making a difference, please come along with us in this journey. Please contact me at jenniferoneidavotes@yahoo.com. Remember you can vote before November 7 by visiting the Hobart Village or Oneida Town Hall after October 23. Come enjoy a bowl of corn soup at the Parish Hall after you vote on election day. We will be there from 11am to 9 pm. Your vote can make the difference in this election!

Jennifer Hill-Kelley

"Hometown Hero": Career Navy man to Chairman of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin

By John A. Scocos

A "Hometown Hero" isn't just someone who faced machine gun fire and lived to tell about it. Our Heroes are also those who served their country – and returned to serve their communities and their people. They returned to show us what the word "hero" means as good leaders and public servants.

Gerald Danforth served 30 years in dozens of postings around the world in the U.S. Navy. He captained a patrol boat in the deltas of South Vietnam, a service made famous by the movie, "Apocalypse Now," which captured the difficulty and instant horrors of patrolling a river in which every embankment, raft and river boat could hide the enemy.

He served on the cruiser Leyte Gulf during the Persian Gulf War as his ship launched cruise missiles into Saddam Hussein's army positions in Kuwait. He also served on the venerable USS Wisconsin. And, at the end of his Navy career, as a Master Chief he was one of the top officers in charge of enlisted personnel for the entire Atlantic fleet – a job that required enormous expertise, energy and leadership skills.

Today, Gerald Danforth is drawing from his 30 years of military experience to serve as chairman of the Oneida Indian Nation located near Green Bay.

The leader of one of Wisconsin's 11 Indian tribes, Danforth leads a sovereign government unto itself with its own health care, education and housing programs, its own social services, and police force. The tribe also even has its own veterans service programs. He, along with eight other elected Oneida leaders, has a job to help build and develop a sovereign Indian nation that, like all people, face challenges to grow and develop and succeed.

As veterans, we owe much to the Indian nations. In fact, many of us could learn a great deal from our first Americans about what it means to honor veterans.

As a people nationwide, Native Americans serve in the military at much higher percentages than any other group. They also have earned a higher percentage of medals for honor and valor. And as a nation, tribes hold their veterans in high esteem. The Oneida begin and end every special event with tributes conducted by their veterans. The tribes make sure that if their veterans need jobs or housing, they're first in line to get one when they become available.

The Indian nations' willingness to serve in the Armed Forces of the United States – and the honor with which they do it – is extraordinary, especially considering that America didn't even recognize Native Americans as citizens until 1928.

Danforth is a true leader. He leads by bringing people together to gain consensus (which is critical in Indian culture, he says). He leads by example, by using the skills he has acquired after three decades of serving our country.

"People are human beings, no matter where they live or what group they belong to," he says. "I'm no hero, but people do need leadership and I try to fulfill that responsibility. Leaders can make things happen if there is a plan and you stick to the plan."

The Oneida Nation has its own programs to support veterans. The WDVA provides a supplemental grant to the tribe to support its veterans. And their Veterans Service Officers offer the same state programs that county VSOs provide around Wisconsin. When Chairman Danforth calls and asks for help, our department will do its very best.

That's part of my commitment to veterans. Wisconsin has a proud tradition of supporting its veterans, and has one of the strongest state veterans assistance programs. And I am morally committed to maintaining that tradition for all veterans and making sure that our 12,000 Native American veterans receive our utmost support.

This year, we're honoring our "Hometown Heroes." I'm proud to call Gerald Danforth one of them.

(John A. Scocos is the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs)

From Page 1A/*Domestic abuse*

abuse, that stays with them for a long, long time," said Brennan.

Signs of abuse

- Behavior Changes - Goes from friendly to withdrawn
- Has less contact with family and friends
- Changes the way she dresses or stops wearing makeup.

Red flags of an abusive person

- Jealousy - Wants to know where she is and who she's with all the time. Accuses her of having affairs.
- Quick involvement - Often, within six months of the first date, the couple is either married, living together and/or expecting a baby.
- Gradual escalation - "If a man hit a woman on the first date, she'd never see him again," said Brennan. Instead, the abuse gradually escalates from verbal abuse to the occasional shove, up to punching, kicking or throttling.

If you're in an abusive relationship call:

We Connect Families at **(920) 490-3821** or **1-888-490-2457**

If you want to change call:
Men's Re-education Program at
(920) 490-3736 or **1-888-490-2457.**

October...
National Domestic Abuse Awareness Month
In honor of this month, the Oneida Domestic Abuse Program will be hosting the following events:

Weekly Community sweat-lodges
Every Wednesday evening at 5:30
(By cottages behind Oneida Social Services)

Women's/Children's Sweatlodge
(Date and time to be announced)

Women's Wellness Fair
"Come for a massage, stay for dinner"
Date: Wednesday, October 18
Time: 4:30 to 7:30p.m.
Place: Oneida Social Services
Free dinner and childcare provided

"Conversations With God" Movie Premier
Date: Saturday, October 21
Time: 7:00p.m.
Place: Norbert Hill Center Auditorium
Tickets: $10 in advance/$12 at the door
For info. or tickets, call 490-3821.

"But He Doesn't Hit Me"
A focus on emotional abuse
Date: Monday, October 30
Time: 5:30 to 7:30p.m.
Place: Oneida Social Services
Free Meal – Sponsored by CAPPS
Childcare provided, as well as presentation for teens



Local

South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services News

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Saturday: 9AM–12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

Southeastern Oneida Color Guard travels the state and country to honor Native American Veterans

Submitted by Debra Ushakow
Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS)

November is the month that America honors the Veterans. But everyday we should honor our Veterans. Showing reverence, respect and thankfulness for the service they provide for all of us. Members of the Color Guard from the Southeastern Wisconsin, feel the importance of not only serving in times of need but continuing service to the community after discharge.

The Southeastern Oneida Color Guard is proud to serve the community. It all started in 1995 when Roy Huff received a flyer called "Proud Warrior" from the Oneida Nation Veterans. Roy thought about Southeastern Wisconsin and felt there was a need to educate the public at large about the Oneida Veterans that have served and continue to serve in the Military. Roy put out the word and within a year the Southeastern Oneida Color Guard began representing our community.

In 2004 Roy retired as the Organizer and passed his duties to Leon House but still continues to serve when called upon. Our appreciation and thanks goes out to Roy for starting the Southeastern Oneida Color Guard.



Kali file photo/Steven J. Gandy

Members of the Southeastern Oneida Color Guard bring out the flags at Indian Summer held in Milwaukee September 8-10, 2006. The Color Guard travels throughout Wisconsin and beyond to present the colors.

Leon House, a Marine Veteran, thinks it is important to honor Veterans living and deceased. He serves on the Milwaukee County Veterans Board, the Wisconsin Vietnam Vets, and is on a Delegate Committee that shares important issues affecting all Veterans. He feels that Veteran's tend to look out for one another and often time become the messengers to others, by explaining where to go for help and support. We thank Leon for his enthusiasm and dedication to Veterans and the Southeastern Oneida Color Guard.

The Southeastern Oneida Color Guard and the Color Guard from Oneida have combined their efforts in serving various functions throughout the country. Some of the highlights of both Color Guards was attending the Grand Opening of the Native American Museum in Washington, DC. They also traveled together to Haskell to attend a Commencement Ceremony. The camaraderie that Veterans have is something to be admired.

The many functions that the Southeastern Oneida Color Guard has served are Ceremonies, Funerals, Parades, Memorial and Veterans Day festivities, Discovery World Grand Opening, Brewers Games, Indian Community School functions, Veterans Dinner at the Art Museum, Campaign Luncheons, Senator Gwendolyn Moore's Inauguration, Washington D. C. Native American Museum, and the most enjoyable one is a Pow-wow.

Honoring past and present Southeastern Color Guard Veterans:

Past: Chuck Bannack, Harry Cooper Sr., Russ DeNomie, and Tom House

Color Guard: Rick Boucher, Mike DeNomie, Patrick DeNomie, Leon House, Rick House, Roy Huff, Larry Schuyler, Jessie Torres, Ervin Wheelock and Huston Wheelock (If any was omitted we apologize)

We honor and thank all Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines throughout the country and appreciate many that have given up their lives to serve our Country.

Circle of Healing Group at SEOTS

Circle of Healing Group is support group for War Zone Veterans

The Milwaukee community is so pleased to have Rodney Pearsall, a Readjustment Counselor from the Milwaukee Vets Center, provide services to war-zone Veterans discharged from the Military. Rodney is Native and has a Masters Degree in Social work and is a counselor for the Milwaukee Vets Center. He has been providing individual and group counseling for veterans and their families in Milwaukee, and also travels to four of the eleven Native Nations in Wisconsin, to provide group counseling.

Rodney has been coming to SEOTS providing outreach to the Native Community. He has been meeting with Native Veterans to discuss benefits, job counseling, community education, referral and outreach. Since he has been meeting with other Nations in the state, he noticed a need for group support in the Milwaukee area. The purpose of the Circle of Healing Group is to provide a safe environment for Veterans to come and talk about the problems they are experiencing. The Group will help Veterans to develop new and constructive skills to manage and improve the quality of their lives. The Circle of Healing will provide a support for veterans experiencing problems with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), readjustment difficulties, anger management problems, depression, relationship, and alcohol or drug problems. The group also offers off site traditional healing ways such as sweat lodges.



Rodney Pearsall

The Circle of Healing Group for War-zone Veterans will be meeting in the SEOTS Office at a date to be announced. All those interested will need to call Rodney at the Milwaukee Vets Center 536-1301 to register.

Information
Please Call Rodney Pearsall for registration, information, and time of meeting. Milwaukee Vets Center - 414-536-1301. Meeting will be held at Seots

Regular Events…

Oneida Singers
Mondays, November 6, 13, 20, 27 at 6:30pm
Place: Seots - Contact person John House (414) 443-0301

Oneida Language Class
Saturdays, November 4, 11, 18, 25,
9:00 - Beginners
10:00 Advanced

Special Notice: Language will begin to meet on Saturday in the month of November. Be sure to check your Kalihwisaks. Beginners Language will also begin in November at 9am

Veterans Walk-in with Rodney Pearsall, Benefits Specialist
Tuesday, November 7, 10:00 - 1:00pm
Veteran's contact person for Color Guard - Leon House (414) 543-1622

Circle of Healing Group

Computer Lab
Open Daily for use (unless reserved for class)

MAIRN Meeting
Wednesday, November 29 at 12:00 - 2:00pm
Place: Ignace Indian Health Ctr. 1711 S. 11th St. - The Gathering Place

SEOTS Board Meeting
Date: Tuesday, November 14 and 28 at 6:00pm

Van Trip
Wednesday, November 15th, Departs Seots at 8am and returns by 6:00pm

Med Pick-up
Dates: Wednesday, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Medication MUST be called in on the Friday BEFORE the Wednesday Pick-up!

SEOTS Mission…

Our mission is to provide for the well-being of **On·yote?a·ka** *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS *News* once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us. The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

Focus… Monthly Calendar

Special Events…

Needed - Dancers for the Holiday Folk Fair
Date: November 17, 18 and 19th
Please Call Mark Denning 384-7740

Pottery Class
Taught by Laura Harrison. Date: Friday, October 27th and Saturday 28th; Time: Friday-6-9pm, Saturday 12-2pm; Cost: $10

Meeting with Vince DelaRosa
Topic: SEOTS Building and Round Table Discussion on topics of your interest; Date: Saturday, November 4th; Time: 10am; Place: SEOTS - Coffee and Donuts

Pow-wow Dance Class
All ages - Children must be accompanied with parent; Date: Thursday, November 2nd; Time: 6:30 pm; Any questions call 384-7740

Its Your Choice Program for Teens
Program for enhancing reading skills, home-work help, developing leadership skills, making healthy choices and also extra-curricular activities. Incentives will be provided for attendance along with evening meals and bus tickets to attend.
Date: Tuesdays, November 7, 14, 21 and 28th; Time: 4 - 6:30pm; Place: SEOTS

Craft Class
Native Holiday Ornaments
Date: Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 15, and 29th (No class the 22nd due to the Holiday); Time: 6 - 8pm; Place: SEOTS

Cultural Heritage with Randy Cornelius
Date: Thursday, November 9th; Time: 6 - 8pm; Place: SEOTS

Family Photo Day
Date: Saturday, November 11; Time: 9 - 12pm; Place: SEOTS
Fee: 1 - 5x7 for $5. Call to reserve your time 384-7740

Harvest Dinner
Date: Sunday, November 12th; Time: 1:00 - 4:00pm; Place: Marion Center, 3195 South Superior Street (Formerly St. Mary's Academy on Lake Drive in Bayview)
SOETS will provide turkey, dressing, gravy, and beverages
Please bring a dish to pass! Any questions call Deb at 384-7740

Native Film Day
Date: Friday November 17th; Time: 1:00pm; "The Broken Chain" Story of two Iroquois Brothers caught in the midst of the Revolutionary War; Place: SEOTS

Diabetes Support Group
Date: Thursday, November 16; Time: 10:30-12:00 - Lunch will be served; Place: SEOTS - RSVP - 384-7740 by November 14th

Elder Bingo Trip
Date: Wednesday, November 29th ; Time: Van will leave Seots at 7am - Return by 6pm; Van seating for 10 people, so reserve your space, call 384-7740

Financial Planning
Date: Thursday, November 30; Time: 6:30pm; Place: SEOTS

FYI…

Housing Authority
If you have any questions regarding housing in Oneida, please call: 1-800-236-2214, ask for the Housing Authority to speak with Lisa Vega or Julie Cornelius.

Sweat Lodge
Women's Sweat Lodge is held weekly by a community member. Call Dona at 383-7072.

Attention all Community Members…
Young tribal member in need of kidney transplant.
Jessica is on the waiting list for a transplant. It's possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, please call Jessica's nurse, Nancy at (414) 385-2550. Express your interest in being tested as a match for Jessica, who is on the kidney transplant list. You may also call to inquire about the criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who knows, you may be a match. Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Information, contact #'s around the city
- 211 Impact–Simply call 211 for help with life/food/shelter/health/crisis intervention, etc.
- Pow Wow AA Group–All Welcome. Thursday's–8:00pm, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th
- Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 383-9526
- Domestic Violence–Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132/Ext.153 Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case Manager/Advocate and available to assist women or family members.
- Urban Circle of Voices–Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper: 643-5510, Vicky Rank.
- Interfaith Program for the Elderly–Meals on Monday and Friday at 11:30am 631 N. 19th St.–First Friday of the month at 5pm.

Sport

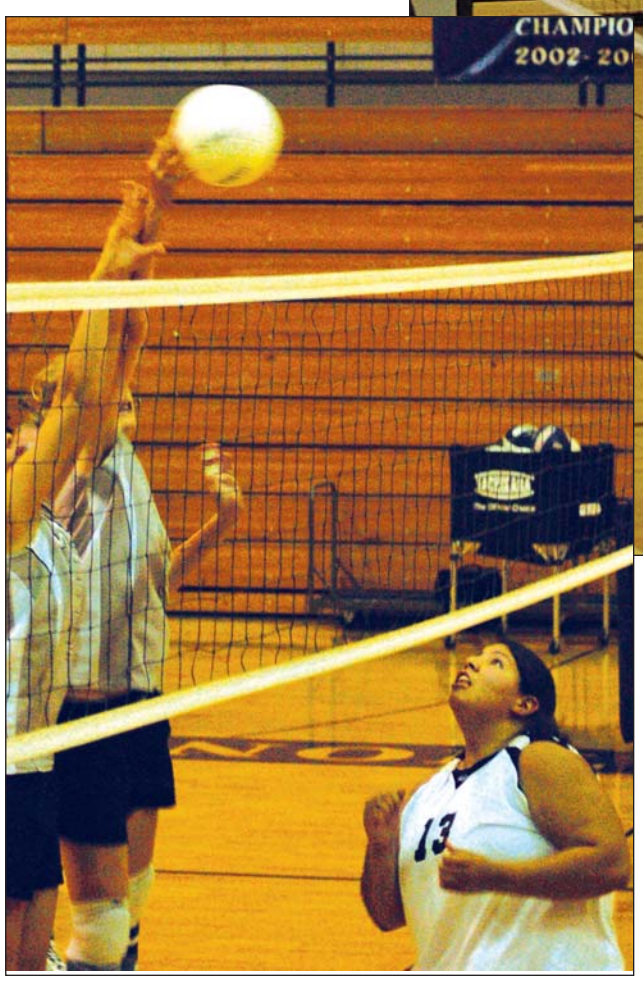
Girls try to rally past Valley Christian

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Thunderhawk girls lost to Valley Christian on Tuesday, October 10th during their homecomming game in Oneida. The 3-1 loss, 22-25, 25-18, 25-18, 25-13,loss finished up their regular season.

The Thunderhawks Girls volleyball team will be participating in a tournament in Lena on October 14th at 10am.





Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

(Left) Twyla Danforth keeps her eyes on the ball as two opposing players attempt to block it back over to the Thunderhawks' side of the net. (Above) Raeanne Funmaker and Debbie Santiago attempt to block a shot from an opposising Valley Christian player in Tuesday's game.

T-Hawks with one more chance

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

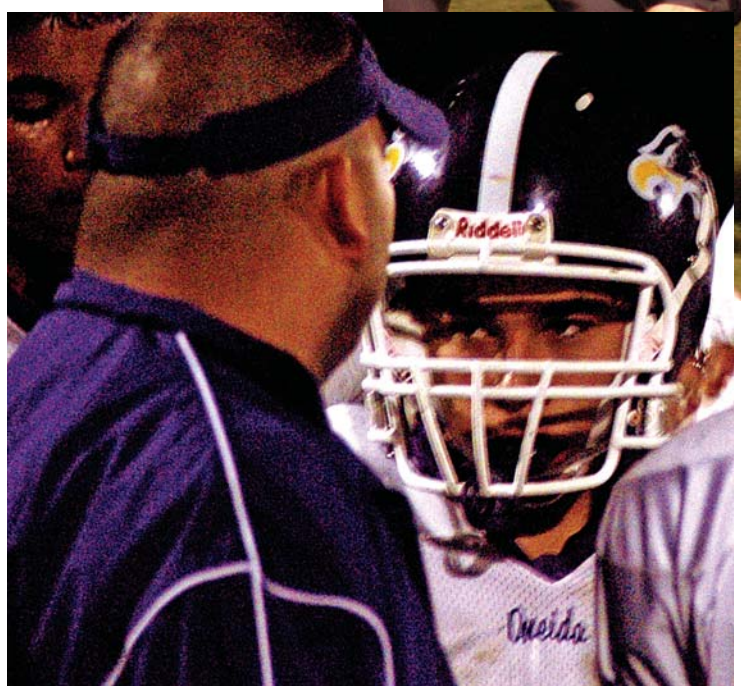
Thunderhawks drop another game, this time to Sevastopol. On Friday October 6th, the T-hawks lost in a 6 - 48 in Sevastopol.

The loss is the fourth straight since winning at Menominee on September 1st.

Fortunately, the Thunderhawks will have another chance at victory. They are hoping to wrap up their season with a win in this week's Homecoming game against the upstart Stockbridge team.

The homecoming game will be Friday October 13th in Oneida. Kick-off will be at 7 pm.





Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

(Above) Frank Clary #77 puts a big hit on the Sevastopol runner.

(Left) Sean Metoxen #44 listens intently to Coach Nathan King during a time-out in last Friday's loss.

Mandatory Meeting

for all Parents/Players

involved in
Boys/Girls Basketball

When: Wednesday, November 1st, 6:00 p.m.

Where: BC Room in Norbert Hill Center

Issues include:
Code of Conduct, Physicals,
Prevea Forms
Practice/Game Schedule
Meeting Coaches, Fund-raising

For more information call
Lance Kelley w-869-4490
c-562-4965

Local team wins all



Photo courtesy of Cathy Delgado

2006 Howard League Champs

Congratulations to the "Josh Webster Memorial" team for going 11-0 this season in the Howard Co-ed Softball League. Pictured above, front row (l to r): Kelly Kinjerski, Cathy Delgado, Lesley Metoxen, and Waylon Denny. Back row, (l to r): Brian Denny, Renee Hill, Laurie Metoxen, Lisa Steffes, Julie Denny, "Kool" Karl Webster, Jason Denny, Leon Webster, and Mel Webster. Another member of the team, Jermaine Webster, was unavailable when the team photo was taken



Oneida Family Fitness

6-on-6

CO-ED Volleyball League

WHEN
Tuesday Evenings
Starting Nov. 14th

TIME
7:00PM

COST
$30.00

Contact Jason Manders at 490-3730 or
jmander@oneidanation.org

Thank You... *We would like to thank everyone who has completed and mailed back their Oneida Nation Child Support Survey.*

Reminder...

To anyone who has not yet competed the Child Support Survey, please remember to do so. The Oneida Nation Child Support Program strongly encourages you to provide your input by completing and mailing this survey back as soon as possible.

Please remember that although you may not be in the position of needing or using child support services we would still like your feed back.

If you did not receive this survey or you would like additional information contact Jodi Van Cuyk ONCSP Program Development Specialist at (920) 490-3885 or Lisa Schwartz, ONCSP Program Director (920) 490-3766 located at 2640 West Point Road, Green Bay, WI 54304, during the business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

ONAP Announces new family friendly concert series



Photos courtesy of Sherrole Benton

The musical "Captain Louie" will be performed October 30 at 7:00pm at the Norbert Hill Center.

Submitted by Sherrole Benton
Oneida Nation Arts program

The Oneida Nation Arts Program (ONAP) kicks off it's 10th Night Sun Series with a family musical, "Captain Louie," on Monday, October 30, 7:00pm, in the Norbert Hill Auditorium, Oneida, WI.

Based on Ezra Jack Keat's "The Trip," Captain Louie is a magical musical journey of a lonely boy who takes an imaginary ride on Halloween to see old friends. Captain Louie is about friendship – the ability to make new friends and the importance of old ones.

This is the first of three shows in the Night Sun Series specifically designed for the whole family. It's geared for children from kindergarten through 5th grade. The shows last approximately 1 hour and begins at 7:00 pm.

Also new this year is, the "Family Pass" ticket. The Family Ticket price is $15 and is for 2 adults and 4 children.

Beth Bashara, director of the ONAP, said she's pleased to be able to present great family shows here in Oneida.

"We welcome families from Oneida and northeast Wisconsin to experience great performances at an affordable price," she said.



Heart of the Beast Puppetry Theatre will be presenting "Coyote Stories" and "On the Day You Were Born" Thursday, January 25 as part of the ONAP Night Sun Series.

Other shows in the season are Heart of the Beast Puppetry Theatre performing "Coyote Stories," and "On the Day You Were Born," Thursday, January 25, 2007; and Garry Krinsky's, "Toying with Science," Thursday, April 26, 2007.

All shows are at the Norbert Hill Auditorium in Oneida, WI. The shows are family friendly, starting at 7:00 and lasting approximately one hour. Ticket prices are $15 for family pass (2 adults and up to 4 children), $10 for adults, $8 for elders, and $5 for children.

For more information, **(920) 490-3831** or visit our web at www.oneidanationarts.org



Gary Krinsky will be "Toying with Science" on January 25 to round out the family friendly fare.

Oneida Bingo & Casino
30th Anniversary
Celebration
October 12th issue

Slot player wins $3.1 million at Oneida Bingo & Casino

Green Bay, WI – The Oneida Bingo & Casino awarded a $3,184,064 five-dollar Wheel of Fortune® Progressive MegaJackpot® on Tuesday, September 26.

The winner, who asked to remain anonymous, said she had "never played a $5 machine before" but chose the winning machine because "you get a feeling sometimes, and I had a feeling." The winner went on to say that she had 103 credits and was going to play it down to 100 "and it hit on what was my last play," she said. The winner reported that she knew she had won the MegaJackpot® but commented "it happened so fast… it didn't register right away."

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MegaJackpot

Education

Workplace Learning Services

The Surveillance & Protection of Casino Game Tables:

"The Procedure is Stronger than the Move"

Overview

This three-day workshop will provide you an in depth game protection program that includes live demonstrations and information on sound game procedures that will insure your games profitability! Cheating and scam methods will be revealed and procedures on how to make these scenarios a thing of the past will be detailed.

The seminar will create real world scenarios as all attendees will be taken through step by step investigations of the "Advantage Player", including card counters, shuffle trackers, ace locators, plus many more will also be discussed in depth and practical solutions presented. Each participant will have the opportunity to complete investigations into several casino scams including the following:

- Playing card tampering
- Dozens of marked card methods
- False shuffle scams - drawn from actual cases
- Gaffed casino dice & dice scams
- Dealer/player collusion - All games
- Roulette wheel tracking
- Various slot machine cheating methods
- Many, many, more drawn from actual casino cases

About the Presenter

George Joseph has been an expert witness and consulting investigator on countless casino scams throughout the gaming world for over 25 years. He has been featured on several National TV specials including Date Line NBC, The Learning Channel, CNBC – MSNBC and 48 Hours to name a few. George is the current owner of Worldwide Casino Consulting, Inc. in Las Vegas and was previously the Executive Director of Surveillance, Game Protection Training at Bally & Paris Casino-Las Vegas. Some of the agencies and associations George has lectured and consulted for include the State of Nevada Gaming Control Board, State of New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice, State of Wisconsin Department of Criminal Investigations and the International Association of Gaming Attorneys.

Session Information

Dates: November 7,8 & 9, 2006
Time: 8AM–4PM (all day)
Cost: $499 (out-of-state higher) $399 if two or more from the same company
Price includes materials and refreshments
Location:
Radisson Hotel & Conference Center
2040 Airport Drive
Green Bay WI 54313
(920) 494-7300

Discounted room rates if reservation made by October 14th, 2006.

Please ask for "The Surveillance & Protection of Casino Game Tables" Seminar room rate when making reservations.
Registration:
Register online at http://online.nwtc.edu/wls
Questions:
Contact Marlene Gauthier at (800) 422-6982, extension 6971 or (920) 498-6971 or e-mail: marline.gauthier@newtc.edu

Official certificate of completion will be provided upon successful fulfillment of the three day seminar.

Northeast
Wisconsin Technical College
Your Community College

NWTC is seeking the following instructors dedicated to helping learners achieve their goals:

Supply Chain Management, Full-Time

- Bachelor's degree in Logistics/Supply Chain Management or related Business area required.
- Two years experience required to include production and inventory management, purchasing, transportation and distribution.
- Certifications and membership to APICS or ISM organizations preferred.
- International exposure desired.

Marketing and Graphic Communications, Half-Time

- Bachelor's degree in Graphic Arts or related Business area required.
- Two years experience required to include graphic and layout design, electronic desktop publishing, and multimedia applications.
- Must have knowledge of graphic software packages, preferably with Macintosh.

Both positions require flexible scheduling to meet customer needs. Prior teaching/training experience especially with alternative delivery methods preferred, but not required. Salary is $21,814 to $31,034 for half-time and $43,628 to $62,067 for full-time. Excellent benefits for these 180-day contracts, including state retirement. Start date is January 8, 2007.

Please see our website listed below for complete job descriptions and to apply… **www.nwtc.edu**

Human Resources
PO Box 19042 • Green Bay, WI 54307-9042

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Learn about the Oneida Learning Center

Submitted by Mandy Schneider
Oneida Recreation

The activities in the learning center at the civic center are going strong. The youth that use the building have already earned 172 of the 500 books they need to get their first field trips for their awesome behavior. They have been working hard at their homework, and the reading challenge, and have been bending their brains to figure out the brain busters each week. For all of these tasks they receive Rec Bucks to spend in the prize cabinet.

Also, the youth attending the civic center have been working diligently to keep up on their citizenship projects, of creating their own communities. This has proven to be an interesting and quite fun activity for the kids. **Keep up the good work everyone.** As we all know, I am big on getting the kids to look outside their community at the things going on in the world around them, and to ask questions, to be inquisitive and gain the knowledge they need to succeed. Thus, current events and my new program I am aware are starting slowly, but they are starting and the youth that are participating are shocking me with how much they truly want to know.

Well, now that you know what is going on at the Civic Center Learning Center you should stop in and join us. You may leave with a little bit of knowledge you did not have yet, or simply just had a ton of fun.

Last but not least I want to remind the teens that I am here all week long until 9pm to help with applying to colleges, writing for grants and scholarships, writing resumes and cover letters, filling out job applications, getting ready for interviews, or simply looking for your first apartment. So, don't forget about me and the learning center if you need help with anything.

White House Fellowship Program

Eligibility: Applicant must be a U.S. citizen early in his/her career seeking the opportunity for direct participation in the work of the federal government. Fellows are drawn from all sectors (federal employees are ineligible, except for career military personnel of the armed services) and are assigned as assistants to the Vice President, a Cabinet member, or the President's staff. The President's Commission also provides an educational program for the fellows.

Selection Criteria: Criteria include achievement, intellectual ability, evidence of leadership, and community involvement. Amount unlisted. ***Deadline: November 15.***

Contact: President's Commission on White House Fellowships, 712 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-4522



Thunderhawk Times

Homecoming Activities Set

By Shakira Stevens
ONHS senior

Homecoming is going to be a extravaganza. This year there will be a lock-in after the homecoming game on Friday 13th (spooky). We plan to have giant inflatables and many other activities.

Throughout homecoming week we will have dress up days, class competition, and fund raising. We even plan to have a float contest between Freshman and Juniors vs. Sophomores and Seniors.



THT photo/Twyla Danforth

Homecoming Spirit is in the air. Here, a tree in front of the high school sports its "fall colors" against the backdrop of a beautiful sky celebrating the T-Hawk homecoming. The T-Hawk football team faces Stockbridge on its homefield Friday night, October 13.

How 'bout a little Pickle-Ball?

By Winona Godfrey, ONHS senior (with help from Lenita Cornelius, ONHS senior)

Everyone's heard of football, baseball, soccer, tennis, hockey, and so on. But how many of you have heard of . . . pickle-ball? That's what I thought!

Pickle Ball was created in the summer of 1965 on Bainbridge Island–an island not too far from Seattle. It got its name from a family dog, Pickles, that would chase after balls and then hide in the bushes.

It used to be played in the families backyards on hard surfaces, on driveways, and residential dead end streets. Since the 1970's the game has grown and expanded from a family game to a net court sport with formalized rules. For over 20 years Pickle Ball has been played in thousands of gym classes, parks, and recreation centers, correctional facilities, camps, and fitness centers.

The serve must be hit underhand and each team must play their first shot off the bounce. After the ball has bounced once on each side then both teams can either volley the ball in the air or play it off the bounce. It's a game of shot placement and patience, not brute power or strength.

Both players on the serving team are allowed to serve, and a team scores points only when serving. A game is played to 11 points and a team must win by 2 points. Points are lost by hitting the ball out of bounds, hitting the net, stepping into the non-volley zone and volleying the ball before the ball has bounced once on each side of the net.

So you see, some of those backyard games that we've all invented can become a recognized "sport."

Meet Shakira Stevens

By Twyla Danforth
ONHS senior

T: What did you do over the summer?
S: Hung out with friends.
T: How many siblings do you have?
S: I have 6 siblings, 2 sisters and 4 brothers
T: Are you excited to back into school?
S: NO!!!!! but since I have to go, it better fun this last year



Shakira Stevens

T: What grade are you in this year?
S: Im a Senior, so you freshmen better watch out!
T: Are you in any sports?
S: Yeah, im in volleyball, basketball. I'm not that good, but I like to play.
T: What's you favorite food and drink?
S: I like Hot Cheetos, and like drinking water.
T: What's you favorite color?
S: Purple
T: Do you like reading books?
S: Yeah, all kinds of them.
T: What's your favorite song?
S: Hips Don't Lie - By; Shakira
T: What are your hobbies?
S: Do what I want, when I want.
T: Do you have any nicknames?
S: Yea, its "Kira"
T: So, what college do you plan on going to?
S: I plan on going to Haskell
T: What do you plan on going to college for?
S: Social Work
T: What's your motto?
S: Dream as if you live forever, and live as if you'll die today!

Senior prep cut-out

by Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

Here's a "clip out" you can put right there on your refrigerator or on the desk where you do your homework. If you're a senior aiming for college next year, this can help you stay on top of those extra things you need to do in order to get yourself into a college classroom next fall.

September
Check out your credits with your counselor, If you haven't took your ACT/SAT find out when the latest you can take it and apply for it right away.

October
If going to work after high school make sure your applications are already in and your interviews are done so you can get right to work when you get out of school.

November
This is the latest you can turn in college applications so make sure they're in before Nov.

December
If you are interested in the military, take the ASVAB

January
File for FAFSA

February
Apply for scholarships

March
Ask teachers or people in your community to write letters of recommendations for your college entrance, scholarships, and financial aid.

April
Get copies of all important papers from high school that you will need such as test results, interest inventory results, and transcripts.

May
Meet all deadlines for housing (dorms), admissions, and registration for classes

June
Practice independent living such as budgeting, shopping, and cooking.

ONHS students reflect on recent events

The story broke on September 15 of this year. Green Bay East High School and the Green Bay community were shocked to learn that, according to authorities, two East students had conspired to harm other students. Many weapons and bomb-making materials were found at one of the student's homes. It was another in a series of high-profile school incidents, but closer to home than some of the others. ONHS journalism students reflected on this incident in particular and its impact on ONHS.

ONHS is a Very Safe School

By Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

I think that the East High thing was pretty bad. I wasn't really affected by this but, I do know a couple of people that go there.

This doesn't affect ONHS at all, because I think that this school is a very safe school and nothing like that would happen here. Actually I think all people say that though. Nobody ever thinks it would happen to them. So I don't know.

If this would to happen I think that the persons should be expelled and put in jail or something. I think by bringing this out, kids now know that they can't get away with it around here so they won't do it.

Another Vote for ONHS

By Twyla Danforth
ONHS senior

The Green Bay East High School story surprised me. I always heard of adults or crazy people wanting to do that, but not the actual students.

I'm not affected by this, but if I had friends that went to the school I would be scared for them.

This doesn't really change my feeling about ONHS. I know this school is safe because of the security here.

I wouldn't know what to do about this situation, but I know if this were to happen here at ONHS I would leave the school as soon as possible and not come back until I knew the school was safe to back to.

Wrong choice by administration

By Shakira Stevens
ONHS senior

I think the principal and superintendent or whoever makes the decisions made a wrong choice.

I think they did very well stopping the incident by detaining the boys and retrieving all weapons from their houses.

But they should have never let classes resume that day. The reason I think this is because they don't know if there was other people involved. Personally I think it's still not safe until they are sure if no other people were involved.

I feel safe at ONHS because of the security and that the doors are locked.

High hopes for Bucks as NBA starts new season

By Nick Cantu
ONHS junior

Well, as all of you know the season of the NBA is about to start with some exhibition action early this month.

If you don't know who won the championship last year it was the Miami Heat. They're a pretty tough team, but my favorite team is the Milwaukee Bucks and always will be. The Bucks host the Charlotte Bobcats at the Resch Center on October 26th.

I am hoping that the Milwaukee Bucks do well this year because I haven't seen them in the playoffs in a long time now.

The Bucks start off their regular season away at Detroit Pistons November 1 at 7 pm.

Baseball Enters Post-Season

By Randall Danforth
ONHS sophomore

The MLB (Major League Baseball) post season has started.

The Yankees lost to the Tigers, and the Tigers are probably going to win the World Series because they beat the Yankees. The Yankees were the best team in the post season and were suppose to win the Series. Now the Detroit Tigers are going to win.



THT Photo/Becky Anderson

ONHS students (l to r) Cheyenne Starr, Alex Red Hail, Shanica Hill, Maria Metoxen, Ericka Behringer, Ashley Skenandore, Twyla Danforth, Freddie Hernandez, Brandon White and Ali Redh ail model their sleepwear on Pajama Day for Homecoming Week.

Health

Quit rate for smoking earns Scheelk award



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Outpatient Dietician Beth Scheelk of the Oneida Community Health Center (OCHC) has received a First Breath Program Total Quit Rate Award from the Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation. Scheelk was recognized for her work in helping 67 pregnant women quit smoking through the Women, Infants and Children Program in Oneida. Scheelk's program had a quit rate of 53% in 2005 compared to the statewide quite rate of 36%.

Clinton forges guidelines for school food

By Karen Matthews
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) ~ Snacks sold in schools will have to cut the fat, sugar and salt under the latest crackdown on junk food won by former President Clinton.

Just five months after a similar agreement targeting the sale of sodas in schools, Clinton and the American Heart Association announced a deal Friday with several major food companies to make school snacks healthier ~ the latest assault on the nation's childhood obesity epidemic.

"By working with schools and industry to implement these guidelines, we are helping to give parents peace of mind that their kids will be able to make healthier choices at school," said Dr. Raymond Gibbons, president of the heart association.

The agreement with Kraft Foods Inc., Mars Inc., Campbell Soup Co., Groupe Danone SA and PepsiCo Inc. sets guidelines for fat, sugar, sodium and calories for snack foods sold in school vending machines, stores and snack bars. Those companies make everything from M&M's, yogurt and granola bars to Frito-Lay potato chips, Snickers bars and canned soups.

Under the guidelines, most foods won't be permitted to derive more than 35 percent of their calories from fat and more than 10 percent from saturated fat. There will be a limit of 35 percent for sugar content by weight.

An example of a snack that would be banned is a Snickers bar, which has 280 calories, 130 of them from fat. The candy bar has 30 grams of sugar out of 58.7 total grams.

Gibbons said Thursday the guidelines are based on the recommendations of leading scientists "as to what we should be doing to provide more nutritious foods for our kids."

Charles Nicolas, a spokesman for PepsiCo, which owns Frito-Lay and Quaker, said Frito-Lay already has products that meet the guidelines, such as baked potato chips and reduced-sugar chewy bars.

"We're going to change a few recipes so that more snacks meet those guidelines as well," he said. Kraft said in a statement that it would add the sodium and calorie caps to its nutrition guidelines "and extend these guidelines to include all of our competitive foods sold in schools."

The William J. Clinton Foundation teamed up with the heart association to form the Alliance for a Healthier Generation in 2005. The alliance was formed to combat childhood obesity, which has been blamed for an increase in early-onset diabetes and other ills.

In May, the alliance announced an agreement with beverage industry leaders to sell only water, unsweetened juice and low-fat and nonfat milk in elementary and middle schools. Diet sodas and sports drinks are still being sold in high schools.

Officials said that agreement covered 87 percent of the soft drink market in public and private schools.

Bob Harrison, executive director of the alliance, said the snack-food industry is not as concentrated as the beverage industry, so the reach of this agreement will not be as wide as the earlier one.

But he said the five companies participating in the new agreement are market leaders and their influence will be felt.

- Every two seconds, someone in this country needs blood.
- Only 5% of the eligible population give blood. The demand for blood is outpacing the available supply.
- Every day, the Red Cross must collect over 900 blood donations in our region to meet patients' needs.
- Every unit of blood can be separated into several components, helping save the lives of three or more patients.
- All blood types are needed constantly, but there is a special need for O negative, O positive and B negative blood.

ONEIDA
Blood Drive
Friday, Dec. 8th, 2006
8 am – 2 pm
Oneida Family Fitness
2640 West Point Rd.

Call the Oneida Family Fitness Center today for an appointment at...

490-3730 American Red Cross

Free prostrate screening for Native American males

Submitted by Dr. Joseph Binard
Urology Department, Oneida Community Health Center

More than 230,000 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed this year.

One – out of every six – men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer.

More that 30,000 men will die from prostate cancer this year.

Early stages of prostate cancer may not cause any symptoms; thus, early checkups are important!

Prostate Cancer Screening Blood Test

During the entire month of October, there will be a prostate cancer screening blood test at the Oneida Community Health Center.

It is for…All – Native American males – age 45 and over.

Younger…Only if – there is a history of prostate cancer in the family.

When…The entire month of October – Monday thru Thursday, from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Cost…Free…(Insurance will be billed)…but there will be no cost to the tribal member.

How to Register:

1) Pre-registration is highly recommended.
2) Call **(920) 869-2711** and ask for Registration.
3) Tell Registration this is for a:
 a) "Lab Only" Appointment and
 b) For the 'Free – PSA Test'
4) Register under Dr. Joseph Binard for the test.
5) Test results will be mailed to you.

Free stroke screenings offered at Oneida Community Health Center

- Every…45 seconds…someone in America has a stroke!
- Every…3 minutes…someone dies of a stroke!

Do you have the following risk factors that can be controlled or treated?

1) High blood pressure
2) Use tobacco
3) Diabetes Mellitus
4) Physical inactivity and obesity
5) High cholesterol
6) Excessive alcohol use
7) Heart disease

Do you have the following risk factors you can't change?

1) Increasing age: 50 years old and over
2) Sex: Stroke is more common in men than women..however..women account for more than half of all.. stroke deaths.
3) Family History: Your stroke risk is greater if a parent, grandparent, sister or brother has had a stroke.
4) Prior stroke or heart attack: If you have had one stroke or heart attack, you are at much greater risk of another. If you have had a heart attack, you are at much greater risk of having a stroke too.

Screenings Offered
Wednesday, October 25th

When: 8:00am-12:00pm & 1:00-4:30pm 1/2 hr. appointments
Cost: FREE via a grant at St. Vincent Hospital
Location:
Oneida Community Health Center
For whom:
Community members
Administered by:
St. Vincent Hospital Neuroscience Unit

Please call **(920) 869-4899**
or **(920) 869-4884**
to make an appointment.

Coordinated by the Oneida Health Promotion Dept.

Baby Grow

Mom and Baby Support Group
Sponsored by WIC and First Breath

Topic:
Infant Feeding: It is More than Just Eating
Learn to enjoy the feeding relationship with your baby

By Beth Scheelk RD, CLC and Susan Beck,RD



Wednesday, October 25, 2006
12:00 Noon to 1pm

WIC/Nutrition Office
Oneida Community Health Center

Reservations Required!
Please call 869-4829 to reserve you and your child's spot.

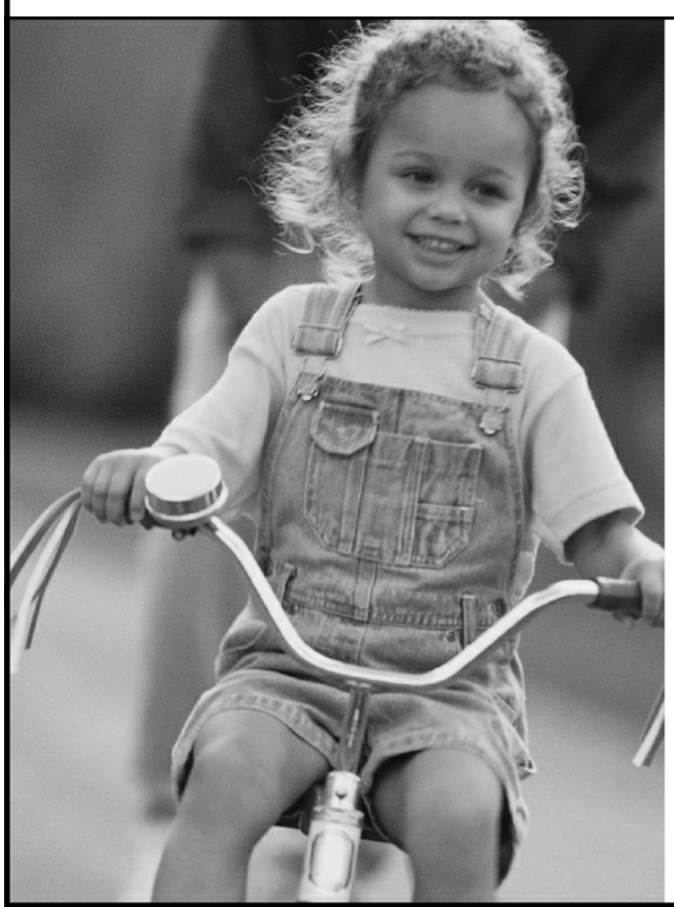
Baby Grow is a new support group open to all Oneida community member to foster positive relationships between mom and baby as the baby grows and reaches new milestones in life. We will be focusing on healthy feeding relationships from infancy to toddler, as well as topics on growth, development and parenting. Each session will have a different topic as well as discussion time. A light lunch will be provided, children under the age of 5 welcome with reservation.

Future Topics: November 29, 2006–Making Baby Food
January 24, 2007 – Infant Oral Care

Kid friendly. Parent approved.

Sohail Azadi, MD, FAAP
Pediatrics





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Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Dylan Ray Widi

Dylan Ray Widi newborn son to Kelli Skenandore and Jason Widi, was born on Thursday, September 7, 2006. Dylan weighed 8 lbs. 5oz and measured 20 inches long. The proud maternal grandparents are Josie & Thomas Daebler and Ronald Skenandore Sr. The proud paternal grandparents are Diane Widi and Daniel & Cyndy Widi.

Happy 3rd Birthday

Jolene & Jazmyn

October 16th



Love You...
Grandma Carol Jackson

Happy 3rd Birthday

Katlyn Fish



Love Daddy, Mommy, Caden and Family

Happy 18th Birthday

I would like to wish my son...

Vicente Vega

a very happy **18th** birthday on October 14, 2006! Vicente, I am very proud of you and love you very much. Your almost done with High School and then it's on to college!



Love your mother, Stephanie

Happy 2nd Birthday

to my **#1** Granddaughter

Carmella Arianna Sanchez

on October 18th



XOXOXOXO
Love You very much...
Grandma Kak, Kirby, Auntie Liana, and UncleRob & Uncle Trevor and your Mommy & Craig

Happy Birthday

Dagen & Maya

Maya is seven and Dagen is six
The older they get, the better the tricks
They grow smarter and wiser with each passing day
Unfortunately for daddy, he's going the other way
So here's to our children on their special day
'Cause 18 years old is not far away.



We Love you Maya and Dagen,
Karl and Michele Lusis

Congratulations

Jason & Tatiana Hecker

on your recent Marriage! Both Jason and Tatiana "Feel the Love" from California, Virginia, Milwaukee, Kenosha and Oneida.



Love...Dad & Mom

kalihwisaks

NEXT DEADLINE

is...**Wednesday October 18th, 2006 @ 4:30 P.M.** with a **PUBLISH DATE** of...**Thursday, October 26th, 2006**

Questions, please call: **920-869-4277, 869-4279 or 869-4280**

Toll Free: 1.800.236.2214 ext. 4277, 4279 or 4280

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Click on Departments (at the top)
Select **Language Revitalization** and then language lessons.

Wedding Announcement



Funes ~ Hecker

Jason Michael Hecker and Mavis Tatiana Funes were united in marriage on August 18th, 2006 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The ceremony was performed by Father Louie who also married the grooms parents, Donald & Deborah Hecker (Danforth), 27 years ago this October.

Both bride and groom met in the service for the armed forces. Jason is with the 961st Engineering Battalion, and Tatiana is with the 801st Combat Support Hospital. They served together in Iraq from January of 2005 to December of 2005.

Jason is currently studying for his sheet metal apprenticeship and Tatiana is currently attending MATC to earn her degree as a social worker.

We are all very proud that they served their country, but most importantly we are all very happy to have them both back home safe and sound.

The couple reside in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Do you know a tribal member who is not receiving the Kalihwisaks? Or, have you moved recently and need to update your address to continue receiving the Kalihwisaks without interruption?

Call the Enrollment Department TOLL FREE at: 1.800.571.9902 to get the matter resolved!

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From Page 1A/*MegaJackpot winner*

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Committee Vacancies

Oneida Audit Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall be a member of the Oneida Tribe
– Shall not be an employee of the Oneida Tribe
– Shall have knowledge, skills and experience of the Tribe
Members shall adhere to all Tribal laws, codes, policies and procedures with the strictest confidentiality
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee:
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications:
– Must be a member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin who have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United Sates of America Honorable Service.
Qualifications shall also include the following:
1. Honorable Service
a) A person who has been inducted into or voluntarily entered into active duty in one of the service branches and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch due to "less than honorable conditions"
b) Active duty is having served 181 days or more of continuous duty unless discharged early for a service-related disability
c) Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has complete at least six years in the reserves or National Guard or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability
2. Shall be a citizen of good standing
3. Shall serve a full term of 3 years (Ending November of third year)
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Personnel Commission:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
– The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two (2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community members
– Shall serve a full term of 3 years.
The membership may not be such that a conflict of interest or nepotism is created as defined in these by-laws: A. Nepotism is created by the following relationships: father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, daughter, son father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other. B. conflict of interest is a conflict between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. A or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Committee Vacancies

Oneida Pow Wow Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall serve a three (3) year term
– May be required to perform the supervisory duties in regard to a Pow Wow.
Closing date of October 30, 2006
Please drop off applications at Oneida Business Committee temporary location at the OLC Building, 2640 West Point Rd, Green Bay. The applications may also be inter-officed or mailed to:
Oneida Business Committee
Attn: Boards, Committees & Commissions
P.O. Box 365
Oneida WI 54115
If you have any further questions contact our office at (920) 869-4364 or e-mail at lelm@oneidanation.org

Miss Oneida Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall serve a two (2) year term
– Shall be an enrolled Oneida citizen
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Fundraiser

Reed Family Fundraiser
When: October 20, 2006 10am-5pm
Where: Oneida Parish Hall
Rummage, Indian Taco and Corn & Chili Soup Sale.
Deliveries available please call, 713-0338.

Board Vacancy

Oneida Housing Authority (OHA):
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications:
a. A board member may be a member or non-member of the Tribe.
b. No person shall be barred from serving on the Board because he/she is a tenant or homebuyer in a housing project of the Authority
c. Full term of office of 4 years.
Purpose:
The Oneida Housing Authority shall be organized and operated for the purpose of:
1. Remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals;
2. Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for person of low income;
3. Providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement extension, alteration or repair and operation of low income dwellings.
Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Library Board:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
a. Shall serve a three (3) year term
b. Must be on the official roll of the Oneida Nation of Indians of Wisconsin and eligible to vote
c. Shall be a patron of the Oneida Community Library who is on the official patron list of the Oneida Community Library
d. Shall, as part of the board, monitor and advise programs, services and acquisitions of the print and non-print materials provided to library clientele.
Closing date of November 13, 2006

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Legal Notice

Setting Time and Notice to Creditors: Request for information.
The following estates are being prepared for probate by the United States Department of the Interior and/or the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Appeals Commission, Office of hearings and Appeals. All creditors claims must be filed on or before **October 20, 2006.**
Debra L. Freeman
DOB: 06/07/1957 DOD 06/29/2005 Send all creditors' claims and information relating to the decedent to the following address:
Tina L Figueroa, Probate Clerk, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
Division of Land Management
PO Box 365
Oneida, WI 54115
Dated September 8, 2006

Coaching Positions

Two coaching positions are available at the Middle School for Boy's Basketball.
We are in need of a **Head Boy's Basketball Coach** and an **Assistant Boy's Basketball Coach.**
The season will begin Monday, November 6th and end on Thursday, December 21st. Practices are Monday through Thursday 3:00 - 4:45 p.m.
Please submit a resume and letter of interest to: **Tracy Christensen, located at the Oneida Nation Elementary School by Friday, October 20, 2006**

Notice

Notice to Tribal Members
The Oneida **Division of Land Management** is planning a demolition of the former Conservation Office. We are offering the opportunity out to salvage items from this building. **October 17th, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.**, the building will be open for viewing.
Requests need to be submitted by October 20th, to the Oneida Division of Land Management.
Attention: Diane Wilson, Property Manager.
Removal work will be need to be completed by October 31st. Individuals selected will be required to enter into a Salvage Agreement.
Anyone on the property without written permission will be considered trespassing.

Coaching Positions

One coaching position is available at the Oneida Nation High School for Boy's Basketball.
ONHS is in need of an **Assistant Boy's Basketball Coach.**
The season will begin November 13, 2006, and end on March, 2005. Practices from 3:30-5:30, M - F
Other duties include, pre-season meetings, bi-weekly updates, & any other requirements and summer responsibilities.
The applicant must be certified, or be able to obtain certification in CPR and First Aid.
If interested, please submit a resume and letter of interest to: **Lance Kelley, located at theOneida Nation High School, by Oct. 25, 2006.**

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See the language website
We encourage everyone to become involved in the Oneida Language. Please visit our website at:
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How to Apply
In person at:
Human Resource Department
2630 West Mason Street
Green Bay, Wisconsin
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
or
Fax your completed application (and resume)
to (920) 496-7911
or
Applications (and resume) may also be mailed to:
Human Resource Department
PO Box 365
Oneida, WI 54155-0365

Applications must be received prior to or on the closing date.

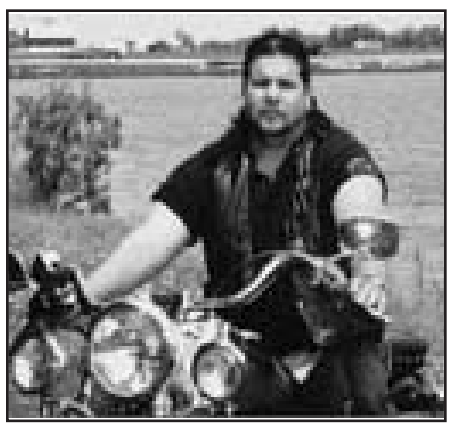
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Recka & Joannes
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Good News

Update: *Oneida Fishery Restoration Project*

Submitted by Betsy Galbraith
Environmental Specialist-Restoration

The goal of the Oneida Fishery Restoration project is to sustain the tradition of fishing for Tribal members and future generations. The project is entering an exciting phase as three preliminary concept plans for the lake site are currently being prepared. The lake site is located at the corner of Crook Road and County U, in the center of the Reservation.

To develop the three concept plans, feedback from Oneida community groups was gathered. Some of the questions they were asked were: How would your family hope to use the lake? What facilities would enhance your enjoyment of the lake? How can the lake and adjoining facilities be expressive of the Oneida culture? The team preparing the plans is led by Schreiber Anderson & Associates, an experienced landscape architecture firm.

On November 9, the Oneida community will have a chance to view the three concept plans at meeting at the Radisson. Please come ready to share your thoughts and comments. You can attend one of the two sessions at either 3:30 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. A buffet style dinner will be served from 5:00-6:00 p.m. The event will be held in the Turtle Room.

Funding from the Fox River/Green Bay Natural Resource Damage Assessment supports design and planning for the Oneida Fishery Restoration project. Additional grant money will be sought in the next few years to support construction of the lake.

We hope you will attend the meeting on November 9th at the Radisson. For more information, contact Betsy Galbraith, Environmental Specialist – Restoration, at **496-5327**.

On Tuesday, October 17th…
the new lake site will be blessed as we begin the work to restore fishing on the Reservation.
The event begins at 10:00 a.m.

Community members are invited to attend.

The lake site is located at the corner of Crook Road and County U, in the center of the Reservation. Please access the site from the County U entrance.

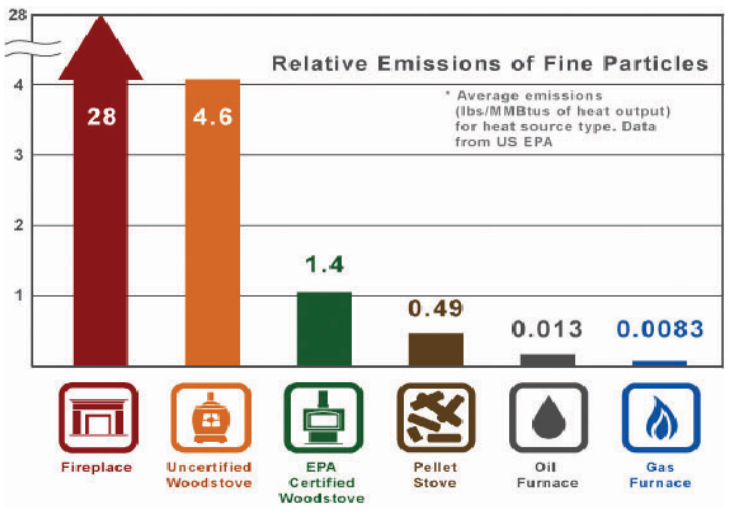
For more information, contact: Betsy Galbraith, Environmental Specialist – Restoration at 496-5327.

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Energy costs are rising and more people will be looking at ways to keep warm this winter without going broke. The first step is to make sure your house is not losing all that heat you're paying for. For information on a Home Performance Test, contact Laura Manthe at the Environmental Resource Board at 496-5360.

If you use a fireplace or an old woodstove consider upgrading to a cleaner burning device like an EPA-certified woodstove, a pellet stove, or a gas stove.



Oneida Wood Stove Program

Do you have an old wood stove or fireplace?

Would you like, up to $ 750, to burn cleaner, safer, & more efficiently?



"How to participate in this Rebate Program"

1. Must replace an existing old wood stove with an EPA certified wood stove, or a pellet or gas stove.
2. Fireplace inserts - EPA certified wood stove, or a pellet or gas stove.
3. Eligibility: All Oneida Tribal members in the State of Wisconsin - first come, first served, but priority will be given to those living on the Reservation.
4. When: Must purchase & install between September 1, 2006 & March 1, 2007.
5. Must be installed by a NFI (National Fireplace Institute) certified installer.
6. Must certify that the old wood stove is destroyed (recycled).
7. Number of Rebates will be limited based on grant funds.
8. Rebate checks will be mailed after all the documentation is received.

For more information: Please call Environmental Health & Safety Division at:
(920) 496-5342, Jeff Mears, jmears@oneidanation.org
or (920) 496-5339, Al Baird, abaird@oneidanation.org

Getting ready for winter…

Submitted by Bill Koonz
Specialist -Environmental Protection

The days are getting shorter and fall is in the air. Most of the songbirds have left on their southward migration. Mammals and birds that remain active during the winter are in transition, preparing for the winter times ahead.

Many of the birds that stay here for the winter are losing the bright colors (especially the males). They do not need to impress mates and bright colors may expose them to predators. Finding food takes about all their energy during the winter. Chickadees, for example, must eat every day to prevent starvation. Those drab goldfinches and house finches are the same birds that were so yellow and red respectively just a month of so ago. Birds have other strategies for surviving the winter. Some store food (blue jays) some use different food sources (fruit instead of insects), some form flocks for protection and food finding (50 eyes are better than two). Some winter flocks consist of several species (nuthatches, downy woodpeckers, chickadees, etc.). These birds gain from not competing directly, familiarity with their surroundings (where to hide if necessary) and extra eyes to protect against predators. These flocks may defend their winter feeding territory against outsiders of their own species.

Some bird species stay here year-round (woodpeckers, blue jays, nut hatches, crows, chickadees, cardinals and most owls), some come down from the north (rough-legged hawks, northern shrikes, snow buntings, pine siskins, common red-polls, pine grosbeaks and evening grosbeaks).



Kali file photo

Grey squirrels prepare for the long Wisconsin winter by storing food. Squirrels have adapted well to the growing urban environment around them.

Winter migrants are less reliable than are summer migrants and large numbers of some species may only occur every five or more years. They are dependent upon food supplies (acorn and cone crops may only peak once in five years). Winter migrants typically wonder widely, have population cycles and stay in an area as long as the food lasts.

Mammals that remain active here in the winter have several survival strategies. They typically shed their summer fur and get thicker winter coats. Trappers know this and wait until at least November for pelts to become prime. If they catch animals too early the skin will be black, indicating hair growth, if they wait too long the fur will be rubbed (patchy) and of poor quality. Some species store food (gray squirrels), some change color (weasels, hares), some change social interactions (deer heard up), and some change food habits (coyotes and foxes eat more carrion, raccoons may find a winter's food supply in a granary). Animals are more opportunistic than most people realize and use food sources available to them. I once observed a dozen deer near a grain pile that provided them food for the winter. They had almost no trail system for escape or for reaching alternate food sources.

Animals are adapting to humans and our land uses. They will continue to adapt to the landscape that we shape for them. Nature does not tolerate a vacuum. Even the busiest urban areas provide habitat for wildlife. Mammal species like fox squirrels, opossums, woodchucks and raccoons have become more abundant in recent years. They are adapting to the changing conditions on the landscape. Environmental factors such as global warming are also influencing some of these changes.

Help with your heating, electric bill

Submitted by Jean Penn
Oneida Self-Sufficiency

Do you have a heat or electric bill?

The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program is available to all income eligible persons who pay a heat and/or electric bill. The Program can provide a one time benefit which is paid directly to your utility company. To be income eligible, you must not exceed the listed gross three month income:

1	$ 3,675
2	$ 4,950
3	$ 6,225
4	$ 7,500
5	$ 8,775
6	$10,050
7	$11,325
8	$12,600

** For each additional person add $1,275.*

If you reside within the Reservation boundaries, please call the Center for Self Sufficiency at 490-6800 for an appointment.

If you reside in Brown County, please contact Integrated Community Services **(920) 448-4540,** for Outagamie County **(920) 735-0010**, for any other county in Wisconsin, please contact your local social services.

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Oneida Nation Environmental, Health & Safety Division

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 - Oneida Lake
 - Medicinal Plants
 - Hunting Regs
 - Fire Prevention
 - Energy Conservation
 - Forestry
 - Hybrid Cars (invited)
 - Cordwood Homes
 - Woodstove Demonstration
- Packer Ticket Raffle for the Jets game, December 3, 2006
- SPIN the Prize Wheel
- Conservation Demonstrations
- Safety Demonstrations
- Hunter & ATV Safety
- Experiential Adventures
- Meet the staff
- Learn about ways to conserve energy and protect the environment

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The 13th annual Husking Bee and Harvest finds help from Oneida and local communities

Students from West De Pere Native American history class, (right - from L to R) Megan Smits, Andrew Dallas, Luchee Thao and Theo Belleau husk corn at the 13th Annual Husking Bee.
Jamie Betters (below) lops the stalks off the ears in preparation for the braiding of the white corn.
Shown (below) are ears of freshly picked white corn from the Tsyunhehkwa fields. Approximately six acres of corn were planted and harvested this year.
Shown (bottom) are braids of white corn hanging. Each braid will hang on one of 220 hooks for drying over the winter.
Tsyunhehkwa, at the time of print, was still in need of volunteers to help harvest the remainder of the corn that is still in the fields.
Anyone interested in volunteering to harvest and husk corn is encouraged to call or visit Tsyunhehkwa. Call (920) 869-2718







By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The crops are ready and the harvest has begun. Tsyunhehkwa, the areas leading producer of white corn, had its 13th annual harvesting festival the first week of October.

Lou Williams Jr, an Outreach Worker at Tsyunhehkwa, said, "This is a social based community service program."

The event is supported by the local community volunteers.

"We rely strictly on the community and people to come and volunteer their time to hand harvest all six plus acres of corn here," Williams said.

The event began on Saturday September 30th and ran through Friday, October 6th.

The harvest does more than gather crops from the fields. It is also a chance for area school children to gain a new perspective on how Native Americans incorporate tradition and culture into their communities.

"What we want them to take out of it is the culture. It's a big part of what we do, corn is our life sustenance and that's what our program is named after, Tsyunhehkwa, after the three sisters, but this is our responsibility to take care of the corn and keep it for the next seven generations for our kids and our grand kids," Williams said.

The volunteer students perform a variety of tasks while they are learning about Oneida culture.

"The kids do a really good job and they do a lot of work for us. Last year we had over 400 kids on education days, this year we're going to have a little less," said Williams.

The students will pick the corn from the fields, husk it, trim the stalk and then braid it for hanging.

"We've got about 210 hooks to hang our braids from and that's the traditional way to dry our white corn down. It takes about seven or eight months to get to a moisture level where we can store it," Williams notes.

The tradition of the corn harvest is centuries old.

"We've been braiding and hanging corn for thousands of years. We've been farmers for thousands of years," according to Williams. "Back when we used to live on the homelands we had a lot of different kinds of corn. We've been concentrating on our white corn for I don't know how many years here."

In addition to the corn that is harvested for food, there is also corn harvested for replanting the fields. The selection process for the seed corn is quite stringent.

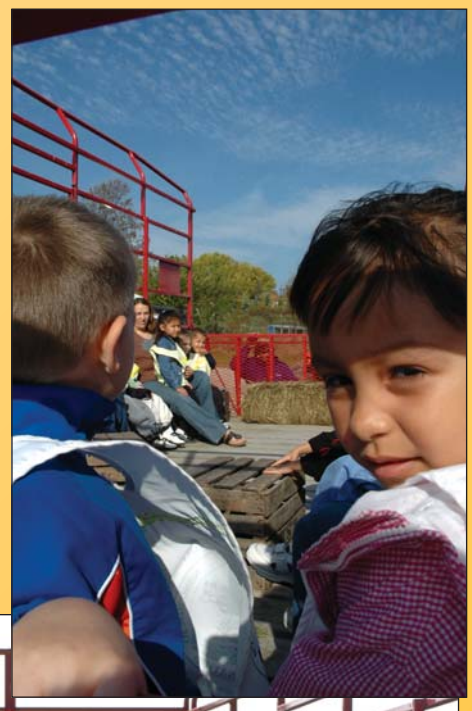
"We look for eight rows of white kernels, no dents in them, good size healthy ears. Kernels all the way to the end, straight rows, no discoloration," Williams explained.

Williams also noted how important planting conditions were in yielding a good crop.

"We always plant around the new moon. When we plant on a new moon [the soil] is a little looser and easier to get the roots set and we try to plant right before it rains," Williams said.

Tsyunhehkwa also provides a variety of products that include fresh produce, berries, grass-fed beef, free-range poultry and free-range eggs. Corn, however, is the primary crop and is treated as such.

"It's the staple of out society in Oneida, without the corn I don't know where we'd be. To me the corn means a thousands times more than the casino does. However, without the casino's funding this program wouldn't be as successful," Williams concluded.



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Head Start Kids (bottom& right) set out on a wagon ride around Tsyunhehkwa. The children are learning about Oneida culture.





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"Fall Back"

It's time to roll back your clock! Don't forget to turn back the time one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night – October 28.

Just a minute...

If you haven't noticed, we have begun to include the Oneida Business Committee Minutes in the Kalihwisaks and will continue to do so as long as they are submitted.

The first installation of the minutes was in the October 12 issue. In this issue, the Oneida Business Committee Minutes are on page 7A. Check it out!

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Community mourns shooting death of young man



Submitted Photo

Gregory Smith graduated from Pulaski High School in 2003.

By Steven J. Gandy
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Gregory Smith, 21, was killed early on the morning of Friday, October 13.

The alleged assailant is 15-year-old Carl Morgan. Morgan is currently being held on a $250,000 bond and is scheduled to next appear in court on November 10.

Morgan is charged with first-degree intentional homicide, attempted first-degree intentional homicide and first-degree reckless endangerment.

According to the criminal complaint filed by District Attorney John Zakowski three teens we in a car parked in the parking lot adjacent to Pi and Hip Cats nightclubs. The altercation started when one of the juveniles reportedly asked a group of adults moving from bar to bar, for a lighter.

According to the complaint, when the adults told the teens they did not have a lighter, the teens responded by using a derogatory reference toward Smith and his friends.

Adam Boss, friend of Smith, was confronted and struck by one of the teens in the back seat of the vehicle. At that time Morgan, moved to the trunk and Smith went to investigate what the youth was doing. The encounter soon became violent when Morgan pulled out a handgun and shot Smith three times in the chest. He then fired two more shots at Boss but missed according to District Attorney Zakowski in an evidentiary hearing on Monday, October, 16.



Carl Morgan

By the time police arrived on the scene Morgan had fled but he was apprehended early the next morning. Smith was rushed to a local hospital and was

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Kagen, Gard face off at debate



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Democrat Steve Kagen, left, and Republican John Gard, right, debate the issues at the Radisson.

By Steven J. Gandy
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Candidates from the 8th congressional district squared off Monday, October 23 in a debate at the Radisson Inn Conference Center.

Democrat Steve Kagen, a doctor from Appleton, and John Gard, R-Peshtigo, a state Assembly Speaker, are competing for the Congressional seat vacated by R-Mark Green in his bid for Governor of Wisconsin.

Both candidates participated in the debate which was moderated by WFRV Anchor Tom Zalaski. Each candidate was allowed two minutes to answer the question posed by the moderator, and then each allowed a one minute rebuttal. Candidates alternated as to who would answer first and rebut last.

Topics discussed included health care, war and foreign policy, environmental concerns, Wisconsin's economy and Native American issues. Both candidates ran along party lines with their ideals.

On the issue of Native American gaming the candidates offered these comments.

"I do support Native American gaming, but I think there needs to be limits. We have a situation right now where there is the potential for a massive

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House starts duties as Oneida Chief Council

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Law Office is a different department than the one Jo Anne House left as a litigator six years ago.

"It's actually been eye opening," said House. "I feel like I've never worked her before."

House returned to the department Monday, October 16 as Chief Council for Oneida. She brings her previous experience as Chief Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa in Manistique, Michigan to the position.

House is focusing on catching up on the legal issues facing the tribe.

"Some are the same, some of them are absolutely new, and some of them I knew about, but wasn't involved in," she said.

House says she's impressed with the staff in the Law Office.

"There have been just incredible improvements across the board, not just in this department, and talking with all the attorneys here, and I'm excited and impressed with the skills on the table," said House.

She is enthusiastic for the future.

"I look forward to the challenges that there are, and it's an opportunity for me to grow with this tribe and grow with this position," said House.

House has a Doctorate of Law through the University of Wisconsin and a Masters in Public Administration from Walden University. She received her Bachelors in Science degree from Peace and Clear Lake in Paralegal Training.



Chief Council Jo Anne House

Wisconsin congressional candidate apologizes for 'Injun time' remark

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) – Democratic U.S. House candidate Steve Kagen apologized Monday for commenting that he was late for a meeting on an Indian reservation because "we're on Injun time."

"I did not mean any harm by my words and I humbly apologize if I offended anyone. That was not my intent," he said in a statement hours after the National Republican Congressional Committee released a tape recording of the comment.

Kagen attended a meeting Friday on the nearby Oneida Reservation and at his next stop in Green Bay he made the following remarks:

"Appreciate getting here almost on time. Our excuse in Oneida was, well, we're on Injun time. They don't tell time by the clock. Our excuse here is that I am a doctor and that we're never on time."

Kagen, a 56-year-old Appleton doctor, is involved in what political observers call a very close race against Republican John Gard, a 43-year-old veteran state lawmaker, for the two-year seat in District 8 in northeast Wisconsin. The two are seeking to replace GOP Congressman Mark Green, who is running for governor.

District 8 has one of only 29 open House seats in the country, making it a prime target for Democrats who need to pick up 15 seats on Nov. 7 to gain control of the 435-member House.

Kagen's spokeswoman Stephanie Lundberg said he heard the term ``Injun time'' used by Native Americans.

"I don't know if he was trying to be funny. It was in the context of a self-deprecating comment," she said.

A Gard spokeswoman

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explosion of new casinos in areas where an Indian reservation does not currently exist," said Gard. "That is something the state needs to have a greater role in."

"I believe gaming is a tribal right that provided the economy that wasn't there. I'm in favor of gaming as an economic model to help lift yourselves out of poverty and develop other businesses," Kagen said. "Maybe soon, we'll all be retiring on the reservation."

On the issue of the war in Iraq the candidates offered these comments.

"Make no mistake, we must do what ever it takes to defend America and keep hostilities off our shores. We must be tough and we must be smart in going after the terrorists where ever they are. We must stabilize the region...and then bring our brave men and women home to a hero's welcome as they have earned and deserved," Kagen said.

"I do not believe we should cut and run in Iraq because I believe victory is the option that makes you, your kids and our nation safer. And then bring our troops home as soon as humanly possible," Gard said.

Monday's crowd grew to 300 plus. Shelly Schoen, Poker Room Manager at Oneida's Mason Street Casino was in attendance and had this to say, "It was a great opportunity for the community to have chance to hear the candidates view points on the various issues our country faces today and how each of them, if elected to Congress in November, would make a difference."

The debate was sponsored by the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin and the Oneida Means Business Alliance. It can be viewed at www.WFRV.com.

The Wisconsin general election will be on Tuesday, November 7.

Pre-Debate rally aims to get out the Native American vote

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Proceeding Monday's debate between 8th Congressional District candidates John Gard and Steve Kagen, a rally was held to encourage people to get out and vote on November 7th.

On hand for the event were speakers that included Ernie Stevens, Jr. and Billy Mills among others.

Each speaker focused on why individuals should exercise their right to vote in the upcoming election.

Ernie Stevens, Jr., Chairman of The National Indian Gaming Association, said, "I assure you that in the last national election, Indian country generated the largest voter turn-out ever in our history. There is an opportunity for us to continue to have a voice."

Stevens focused on the importance Indian gaming has on federal, state and local economies and how important each vote coming out of Indian Country will be in this, and every election.

According to Stevens, nationwide, Indian Country is responsible for 600,000 jobs, and 75% of those persons employed are non-Indian. He went on to note that last year Indian gaming paid in $7.6 billion into the Federal budget, $2.2 billion to States budgets and over $100 million into local governments.

"Indian country is paying more than their share. The right of Indian country to engage ... in gaming is a sovereign right that's retained long before there was a United States Constitution. A sovereign right that is recognized in the United States Constitution," Stevens said.

Billy Mills, Olympic gold medallist, 1964, in the 10,000 meter run was also on hand to encourage everyone present to get out and vote. Mills talked about his inspiration for making the Olympic team, his value based concepts in life and perceptions.

"The greatest challenges we face in this changing world are perception ... A vote makes a difference. And we deal with perceptions, do our votes make a difference or not ... Voting guarantees dreams come true," Mills concluded just before he shared a 90 second inspirational video featuring American athletes who were not afraid to dream and became world champions.



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Association Ernie Stevens, Jr. speaks at the Pre-Debate Rally. Stevens and other speakers urged rally goers to vote November 7 and beat out the record number of Native American voters set in the last national election.

Doyle speaks at Radisson



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

The Oneida Nation welcomed Governor Jim Doyle to the Radisson on Tuesday, October 17, for an informal meet and greet with local officials, community members and veterans. The reception for Gov. Doyle, organized by the Legislative Affairs office, was put on to give "Voices for Oneida" Conduit members and Tribal leaders a chance to meet with Doyle. Veteran Marty Antone, pictured, shakes hands with Doyle shortly after the Governor's arrival.

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COMMUNITY MEETING

Please join us at ONE of the scheduled sessions as we unveil three concept plans for the Oneida Fishery Restoration Project.

Share your thoughts and suggestions as we design your lake and its amenities.

PLACE: Radisson Hotel & Conference Center Turtle Conference Room

DATE: Thursday, November 9, 2006

SESSION 1: 3:30-5:00 pm
--OR--
SESSION 2: 6:00-7:30 pm

Select ONE Session to attend!

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Local

Passing On...

King, William Lawrence
February 14, 1930 - September 28, 2006

William Lawrence King of Albuquerque, New Mexico passed away September 28, 2006. William was a member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin. He was born on February 14, 1930 in Neenah, Wisconsin to Sadie and William Joseph King.

In 1947, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and enjoyed a distinguished career in law enforcement until his retirement in 1969. In 1970, he began a second career within The Department of Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs. Over the next 25 years, William worked closely with numerous tribal governments, including the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation in North Dakota, the Wind River Indian Reservation in Wyoming, the White Mountain Apache Reservation in southern Arizona and the former Joint Use Administrative Offices of the Hopi and Navajo Tribes in northern Arizona. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminology from Northern Arizona University in 1977 and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from The University of New Mexico in 1981. His comprehensive work as a supervisory criminal investigator for the Bureau took him to virtually every Indian reservation in the western United States.

William is survived by the love of his life, his wife of 54 years, Margarete; son, William, Jr., and grandson, Christian, of Albuquerque; son, Steven, and family of Redondo Beach, California; daughter, Karoline, and husband, Curtis Freeman, of Bastrop, Texas; and daughter, Constance, and husband, Reed Upton, and step-granddaughter, Alexandra, of Albuquerque. He is also survived by his sister Shirley Powless and her husband Mark, of Green Bay, Wisconsin; sisters Marilyn Elm and Barbara King, of Appleton, Wisconsin; sister Sandra Goss and her husband Tim, of Menasha, Wisconsin; and brother Ceylon and his wife Sue, of Menasha, Wisconsin; and their families, and family stretching from New York to Germany to Hawaii.

Webster King, Joyce "Pies"
October 5, 1949 – October 15, 2006

Joyce "Pies" Webster King, 57, of Oneida , passed away on Sunday October 15, 2006 after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born October 5, 1949 in Wisconsin Rapids to Louis Webster and the late Mary Stevens Webster. She married Butch King in Green Bay. Pies was an avid bingo player. She worked for the Oneida Tribe for eighteen years until her sickness made her resign. Mrs. King was an Associate of the Rising Nation, as well as a member of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church in Oneida.

Survivors include her husband, Butch, daughter, Kim Moreno, and son Mark Moreno, both of Oneida, her father, Louie Webster, Oneida, six brothers, Robert "Little Man" and Betty, Tom and Kitty, Oneida, Darrold "Bossy" and Veronica, Ronald "Slab", Danny "Diggy", of Green Bay, Luke of Chicago, three sisters, Judy and Arlon Bozeman, Green Bay, Doreen Reed, Oneida, Marie "Lil Gayle" Moreno, Chicago, six grandchildren, Amber, Brian and Brady Moreno, Devan Little, Raven Webster, and Heather Moreno, two step-daughters, Lynn and Sherri King of Green Bay, one aunt Norine "Cubby" Wilbur, one uncle, Luke Stevens, one godchild, Joyce Reed, her mother-in-law, Beatrice King, as well as many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one son, Little Bear King, her mother, Mary Webster, three sisters, one brother and her grandparents.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, October 19 at Holy Apostles Episcopal church, Oneida. Father John Cell, Deacon Edmund Powless and Deaconess Deborah Heckle, officiated with burial in the church cemetery.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the King and Webster families.

Smith, Gregory Durell
January 17, 1985 – October 13, 2006



Gregory Durell Smith, 21, of Howard, entered into eternal life on Friday morning, October 13, 2006. The son of James G. Smith and Donna (Denny) Smith, was born January 17, 1985 in Killeen, Texas.

He was a 2003 graduate of Pulaski High School, and is a proud member of the Green Bay Celtic Rugby Team. With a lifetime dedication to the sport of Rugby, Greg helped coach the Pulaski Roos High School Rugby Team. Greg played in the U-19 Division of United States Rugby Team that played in the World Championship games in Africa in 2004. The rugby teams were like family to him.

He will be sadly missed by his mother Donna Smith, his father, James G. Smith, one brother, Marcques Smith and Chantre Smith, grandparents, Scott and Maggie Collins and Mary Ann and Alton Kruckeberg, uncles and aunts, Michael, Douglas, Matthew and Peter Denny, Glen and Stan Smith, Sheila Smith, Angie McNeal, and Pam Smith. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Reginald Denny, grandmother, Sarah Wade, and great grandparents, Pete and Sabie Danforth.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 am Tuesday, October 17 at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Oneida. Father Dewey Silas, Deacon Edmund Powless and Deacon Deborah Heckle, officiated with burial in the church cemetery.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit www.ryanfh to send online condolences to the Smith family.

Smith, James J.
December 11, 1912 – October 19, 2006



James J. Smith, 93, Oneida, died Thursday evening, October 19, 2006 at a local hospital. He was born December 11, 1912 in West De Pere, to the late Joseph and Rose (Cornelius) Smith. James had worked in the Lumber business as a career. He was a WWII Army Veteran.

His sisters; Rosaline LeMere of Oneida, Hazel Noble of Oneida, and numerous nieces and nephews survive James. His parents and two sisters and two brothers preceded him in death.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, October 23, 2006 at the Oneida United Methodist Church, Oneida, with Rev. Julio A. Alvarado officiating. Burial in the church cemetery followed with full military rites. RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements.

Metoxen, Kordel Timothy
August 15, 2006 – October 20, 2006



Kordel Timothy Metoxen passed away Friday, October 20, 2006. Born August 15, 2006, in Green Bay to Lonnie & Jolene (Walking Eagle) Metoxen. Kordel was a beautiful little boy who brought a lot of joy to our lives in the little time he was here.

He is survived by his parents, Lonnie & Jolene; four sisters, Shadia, Brandi, Sienna, & Raeden; grandparents, Elaine Parker, Steve & Florence Petri, Eugene "Yogi" Metoxen, & Bruce Walking Eagle; great-grandparents, Fredmond "Fritzie" Hill & Shirley Hill, & Andrew Parker, Jr. & Betty Parker.

Kordel is further survived by numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, & many others who loved him dearly.

Kordel was preceded in death by his uncle, Timothy Metoxen.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, October 24, 2006, at Holy Apostle Episcopal Church, Oneida. Fr. Dewey Silas, Deacon Edmund Powless, & Deaconess Debra Heckel officiated with burial in the Parish Cemetery.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 N. Tenth St. De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements.

Doxtater, Margaret A.
February 6, 1931 – October 14, 2006

Margaret A. Doxtater, 75, of Oneida, passed away peacefully on Saturday October 14, 2006, at a local hospital. The daughter of the late Andrew and Mary (Cooper) Swamp was born February 6, 1931 in Green Bay. On October 6, 1953, she married Franklin Doxtater.

Margaret had worked for the Oneida Nation for many years in addition to working at Green Bay Job Service. She had many interests in life, including playing bingo, knitting, sewing, quilting, reading, and doing crossword puzzles.

Survivors include her husband, Franklin, ten children, Robin (Sheila) Doxtater, Terry (Theresa) Doxtater, Mary (Randy) Dombrowski, Doreen Doxtater, Diane Doxtater, John (Jodi) Doxtater, Karen (Adam) Melchert, Pete (Melanie) Doxtater, Sally (Doug) Murphy, Tony Doxtater; 28 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and one brother, Andrew Swamp, Jr. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, Lester Swamp, and two sisters.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 18 at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Oneida. Father Dewey Silas and Deacons Edmund Powless and Deborah Heckle, officiated with burial in the church cemetery.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Doxtater family. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established.

The Doxtater family extends a sincere thank you to St. Vincent's Dialysis Center and Ninth floor Staff and Pastoral care at St. Vincent's for their kindness and care.

Gerhardt, Sandra (Schuyler)
July 17, 1945 – October 20, 2006

Sandra Gerhardt (Schuyler) found peace on Friday, Oct. 20, 2006, at the age of 61. Daughter of the late Melvin and Audrey (Smith) Schuyler, was born on July 17, 1945, in Milwaukee.

She is survived by her children, Ryan, Jacqueline and Michael Gerhardt; her grandchildren, Nicholas, Nathan, Jacob, Zachary, Jayden, Jordan, Katelyn, Michael, and Skylur; three sisters, Marlene (Dewey) Silas, Geraldine Villobos and Bernadine Schuyler; as well as three nieces and four great nieces.

Her parents preceded Sandra in death.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, October 23, 2006, at Holy Apostle Episcopal Church, Oneida. Fr. Dewey Silas, Deacon Edmund Powless, & Deaconess Debra Heckel officiated.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 N. Tenth St. De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements.

The family would like to thank the staff at the Anna John Nursing Home and the Oneida Health Center for taking care of our mother.

In Loving Memory

To Our Angel...



It's been two years now,
but our angel is still there.
Every time we hear the wind blow,
we know it's his voice calling.
Every time the eagle soars,
we know it's our angel
watching over us.
We see the eagle and hear the wind everyday.
We know your eyes and voice
are helping us to get through everyday...
This is why we will never forget you!

Love, Larry, Sandy, Tony, Larry, Misty and Commanche & Lorenz

In Loving Memory of

C.J. (Clifford) J. Ault III

*who would have been **38** on Halloween*
October 31st 1968 ~ November 2nd 1997



You'll never be forgotten.
We pledge to you that a hollow place within our hearts is where you'll always stay.

Love...
Mom, Connie, Bill, Sheri, Justin, Heaven, Family & Friends

For my beloved...

Charlotte

My Dreams of Time

By Karen Wilson



To go back in time
Is a dream of mine
The things I could now foresee
My daughter's hand once again
I'd hold
And we would merrily sing.

To go back in time
Just a moment of mine
One kiss, one last embrace.
To tell her I love her
And dry that last tear
Before time takes her away from me.

To go back in time
Is a wish of mine.
Her dreams would all come true.
A husband and children
It would be thrilling
If all my dreams came true.

No pain, no sorrow,
We'd wipe the slate clean
And learn by our mistakes.
Oh what a dream, a beautiful dream
That I know can never be...

Til' my last day on Earth,
Till that heavenly embrace,
Then all my glory will be
Just a moment in time.

Until we meet again
Charlotte,
Love Mom

Running Bear, Paris Rain
March 15, 2005 – October 21, 2006



Paris Rain Running Bear, 19 month old daughter of Jessie Smith, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, October 21, 2006 at St. Vincent Hospital, Green Bay. She was born March 15, 2005 in Green Bay.

She is survived by her mother, Jessie; one brother, Desmond and one sister, Skye; her father, Francis Running Bear, South Dakota; maternal grandmother, Heidi Smith, Seymour; paternal grandparents, Robert and Eileen Running Bear, South Dakota; maternal great-grandmother, Joan Kemp, Seymour; aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Brad Smith; great-grandparents, Jim Kemp; Earl and Betty Smith.

Friends may call at the Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, 358 S. Main St., Seymour, on Friday, October 27, 2006 from 4 to 7 p.m., with the services at 7 p.m. and the Oneida Singers at 6:30 p.m.

Local

Three Fires opening in March



Photo courtesy of Matt Kunstman

The new Marriott Residence Inn located in downtown Sacramento, California is set to open in March, 2007.

Submitted by Matt Kunstman
Project Manager, Business Development

The Marriott Residence Inn Capitol in Sacramento, CA is nearing completion. The 15 story hotel is being constructed on the last remaining undeveloped piece of private land on the Capitol Park. The new Marriott Residence Inn will feature 239 suites and 30 residential condos on the top three floors. The hotel will offer amenities including meeting space, parking, business center, breakfast and evening reception area, fitness center, pool and gift shop. The site is located in the middle of a tremendous business district which includes restaurants, cultural amenities and office buildings. All this adds up to a new vibrant synergy in the immediate area, combined with the easy access to the capitol offices and conventions.

Three Fires, LLC, is an economic coalition of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians of San Bernardino, CA, the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians of San Diego, CA and the Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI. Three Fires along with Sacramento Developer, Anthony Gionnoni, managing partner of the 15th and L Street Investors comprise the investors in the project. The three tribes have a combined 62 percent tribal ownership in the hotel.

The Hotel will be open to the public in March 2007. A blessing ceremony will be held in January, and the Grand Opening celebration will occur in May 2007.

Four Fires Update:

The Marriott Residence Inn Capitol, Washington DC (Four Fires) is performing above expectations. The project has returned 100% of the initial investment in the project and continues to generate profits for the Oneida Nation. If you would like further information on either of the projects, please contact Matt Kunstman, Project Manager, Business Development **(920) 869-4544.**

From Page 1A/*Shooting*



Kali File Photo

Gregory Smith, is shown below making a tackle while playing with the Green Bay Celtic Rugby team. He also helped coach the Pulaski Roos Rugby team. In 2004 Smith played on the US Rugby team during world championship games in Africa. He was 21 years old.

pronounced dead at approximately 1:25am.

The Morgan family expressed sympathy to the Smith family publicly on October 18, following formal charges against Morgan.

Jason Fish, Morgan's Cousin, said, "On behalf of the Fish family and other Menominee tribal members that are related to Carl Morgan, I would like to extend to Donna Smith and her family our most deepest condolences in the loss of her son, Greg."

Fish continued, "Last Friday was a tragedy for both of our families. The Smith family has lost a son and I'm sure that the Fish family and Morgan family have lost a son to the legal system. Both of our families will grieve our losses."

Donna (Denny) Smith, an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, is the mother of the victim Gregory Smith.

Smith is also survived by his brother Marques Smith and his father James Smith.

A funeral service was held for Smith on Tuesday, October 17 at Holy Apostle Church in Oneida.

Smith was laid to rest in the Holy Apostle Cemetery.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

In Loving Memory of...

Everett Cornelius

Who passed away one year ago ~ October 29, 2005

We Love & Miss You,



Your wife Carol, Children: Margaret & Dennis, Neal, Vincent, Jerry and Vicki, Larry & Jo, Tony & Kris, Mercie & Bruce, 10 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, Mother-in-Law Helen Wheelock Lauhenstein, Sisters & Brothers & In-Laws.

We, the family of Everett, would like to thank each and everyone who helped us at our loss. Our prayers & love go out to you. We will never forget you.

Love,
The Cornelius Family

Dad...



Time goes by, but you are never missed...Memories stay, especially today & forever. Your wife, kids, grandkids and great grandkids; we all love you so!

Dad...you will never be forgotten,
With all our love... ***'Happy Birthday'****.*
Dad...you will be with us forever till we meet you again we will walk together forever.

Love you very much,
Mom Karen & the Jordans

In Loving Memory...

Charlotte Matthews



A Light Went Out
By Rabbi Dr. Samuel J. Fox

A light went out in this
world below,
A soul was taken in
heavenly tow.
A child we loved was
raised up high
While we stay here and
grieve and sigh.

Why, dear God, did this come about?
Why did this shining light go out?
Is it because her time did come?
Will she go to heaven and then some?

Each of us does have his time
To rise from this earth to thy glory sublime.
We ask you now to keep her well
And bless her soul for all to tell.

The light that shone is not far gone,
It just went up to another dawn.
She now becomes another star,
Shining down on us from way up far.

We trust in you, dear God above,
To hold her close with your holy love.
We hold together, both women and men,
As we pray for her and say...
AMEN.

Sadly missed by her loving children,
Donavann, Amery, and Taylor;
and by brothers, sister and family

In Loving Memory of...

Adam Webster

By his friend Bill Mayville



I wish to reflect back to the mid '50's when Adam and I spent many days and nights camping, hunting, fishing and just poking around the woods, fields and marshes of the west shore of Green Bay.

At that time, we could catch stringers of nice perch in many small ditches and creeks that flowed into the bay. In the winter, we caught perch in the Duck Creek River all the way up to Pamperin Park. And summers, we caught them in the Halfway Slew and in some other channels that ran through the West Bay Marsh. We shot pheasant, ducks and rabbits.

Nearly all the places that we hunted and fished are gone...along with Adam.
What is left of these places are only memories.
What was left of Adam was his heart
and his memories.
At one time he was big, strong and always looking for ideas to make life better.
Well, Adam made many peoples lives better to one degree or another. I feel he made my life better just to have known him.

Our mutual respect and good friendship will always be remembered.

Adam left this Earth a year ago.

Sadly missed by his whole family

Calendar

Various

Raised Beadwork Classes
WHEN: Various
PLACE: Bear Paw Keepsakes, 2667 W. Mason St., Green Bay
$50 per class, include all of the supplies. Enrollment limited to 10. Register at the store. November 24-25 - Picture Frame; January 12-13 - Moccasins; February 16-17 - Small Purse; March 16-17 - Checkbook cover or Photo Album. FMI call **920-499-7875.**

October 30

"Sir! No Sir!,"
WHEN: October 30, 2006
TIME: 7:00pm
PLACE: Patty's place, 4619 Crooked Creek La., Oneida
A new documentary of the history and importance of the GI anti-war and anti-military movement. (www.sirnosir.com)

November 4

"Sir! No Sir!,"
WHEN: November 4
TIME: 7:00pm
PLACE: Bev's place, N7172 Path of the Wolf, Oneida
A new documentary of the history and importance of the GI anti-war and anti-military movement. (www.sirnosir.com)

July 6-8

35th Annual 4th of July Pow Wow
WHEN: July 6, 7 & 8, 2007
TIME: Various
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center Powwow Grounds
Join us in song and dance at the 35th Annual oneida contest powwow! Over $50,000 in prize money. Weekend pass-$10, daily pass-$5, 60 yrs & older & 10 yrs & under free. FMI: **920-496-7897**

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there! FMI, please contact: Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Business

Bay Bank still going strong serving the community after 11 years

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

From zero dollars in deposits in 1995, Bay Bank has carved out a nearly $100 million niche for itself over the past 11 years.

According to Bay Bank President Bill Menacher, the financial institution was started out of a need for a local bank to provide services to the community that a larger bank might not accommodate.

"A lot of mergers were happening, and I was with one of those large banks that merging, and merging, and the big banks weren't servicing the needs of a lot of the community," said Menacher.

The original bank had 200 shareholders with Oneida owing 35% of the shares.

"(It was the) very first bank to be given a charter from the Federal Reserve to a sovereign nation involved with a casino. That's what held it up, the Federal Reserve did not understand the word 'sovereign nation'," said Menacher.

According to Oneida Business Committee Chairman Gerald Danforth, there were a number of hurdles to be crossed.

"Some of the speculation was 'well, if you have a tribe that has a casino, that also has a bank, isn't that a problem?' And it turns out it's not a problem," said Danforth.

Oneida became the sole owner of Bay Bank on March 1, 2005, the first of only seven banks nationwide to be owned wholly or in part by a Native American nation.

As a tribal enterprise, Bay Bank is able to work with Oneida to find and create financial products that other banks don't offer. For example, the HUD Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Program was designed in part to go where no other banks had gone before; onto trust land.

"We are probably the only bank in this, area if not the mid-west, that understands lending in Indian country," said Menacher.

The bank has processed 18 loans through the program with 20 more pending. Moreover, the bank handles the loan program for tribes throughout the Midwest.

"Trust lands, tribal trust, individual trust, simple fee land, all of those we're able to do," said Menacher.

Another program Bay Bank was able to develop was the Oneida Small Business Loan Program. Funded by $5 million from the Oneida Tribe and a $500,000 grant from the State of Wisconsin Legislative Award, the loan program has helped kick start 55 new Oneida owned small businesses and create 130 new jobs.

Oneida tribal member George Greendeer took advantage of the loan program to expand the family business Green Bay Elite All Star Gym that he runs with his wife Charlene and daughter Cherokee.

The Greendeers initially ran the cheerleading school either by going to gymnasiums or through church groups. Eventually, they began leasing a space, but quickly outgrew it.

"(Bay Bank Vice-President) Gregg Halverson told me about the possibility of getting (a loan) at a very low down payment, at a very low interest rate, and then he explained to me that moneys from this would go back to the fund to help other Native American Businesses," said George.

The result of the loan and a land lease through the Oneida Land Commission was a state-of-the-art gymnasium complete with a floor set on springs, a balance beam, parallel bars, and time delayed video playback system that allows students to see how they did soon after finishing a routine.

The Green Bay Elite has become one of the top cheerleading centers in Wisconsin, attracting members and high school cheerleading teams from across the state and up into Michigan.

The Green Bay Elite traveled to a competition in Dallas billed as the Superbowl of Cheerleading. The team missed first place in their competition by 6/100th of a point, a feat not previously accomplished by a relatively new school.

"Everyone was like 'where are you from? Wisconsin? Wisconsin has cheerleading?'" said Cherokee.

"George once a year brings trophies to the bank and puts them on display," said Menacher.

Bay Bank also offers traditional loan programs as well as checking and savings accounts. It currently has 3000 personal accounts and 250 business accounts and has made $75 million in loans to the community since it opened, according to Menacher.

Bay Bank Board Member Joanne Swamp hopes while the bank continues to succeed, it keeps serving the local area.

"The bank needs to continue to grow with the growth of the community, but not lose sight of what it's origination was for, because that need is always still there," she said.





Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

Top: Bank Teller Anthony Gutierrez counts out a withdrawal for customer Michelle Christjohn who stated she likes Bay Bank because "It's closer to home and the kind people." Customers of Bay Bank can enjoy amenities such as personal checks with the Oneida Nation logo printed on them.
Left: Cherokee Greendeer helps a cheerleading team perfect their routine at Green Bay Elite which was able to open their own gymnasium through a loan at Bay Bank.

Strong-Hill receives ATHENA award from Green Bay Chamber

Green Bay, Wis.- (October 11, 2006) The Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce recently announced the recipient of the 2006 ATHENA Award from a pool of nominees. The ATHENA judges selected Donsia Strong Hill, bond counsel in the firm of Tyson Strong Hill, LLC in Milwaukee and Green Bay. Award sponsor, Schenck Business Solutions, and 2005 recipient Jamie Babbitts, St. Mary's Hospital, A Woman's Place, will present the award to Donsia during the Chamber's Annual Volunteer Celebration, scheduled for this evening (October 26, 2006) at 5:00 p.m. at The Meadows, 850 Kepler Drive, Suite B, Green Bay,Wis.



Strong-Hill

The ATHENA Award is given each year to deserving men and women who are members of or active in the GBACC or employed by a member firm. The recipient must display outstanding commitment to their profession, to the advancement of women and to serving their community.

Donsia was educated at Illinois State University where she earned a Bachelor's of Science degree and John Marshall Law School, where she received her Juris Doctorate. Prior to moving to Green Bay Donsia served as a domestic policy analyst to President Clinton. She was responsible for developing and coordinating implementation of policy to promote the Administration's domestic programs and as such served as White House representative with tribes, industry and trade groups and congressional offices. Following that responsibility she was appointed by Governor Doyle to serve as Secretary for the Department of Regulation and Licensing for the State of Wisconsin. She was responsible for a $23

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ATHENA award

BayBank Community Banking the Way it Used to Be.

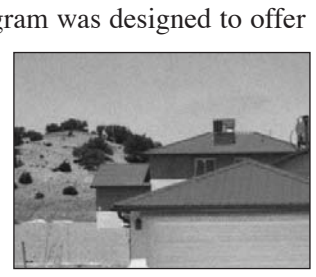
Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program

Thousands of Families in Indian Country have achieved the dream of owning a home. The section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program has made that possible.

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- 1% guarantee fee at closing
- Assumable
- Secondary market potential
- 100% guarantee to lender

Homeownership in Indian Country

In 1992, Congress established the Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program. The program was designed to offer homeownership and housing rehabilitation opportunities for eligible Native American individuals, families, tribes, and Tribally Designated Housing Entities. (including Indian Housing Authorities) on their native lands and within an approved Indian area as defined in HUD P.I.H. Notice 2004-19.



Section 184 Program Highlights

- More than 1400 Loans creating more than $143 million in mortgage financing.
- Nationwide program on Tribal trust land, allotted trust, or fee simple land in an Indian operating area – state of Wisconsin.
- Refinancing available
- New and Rehab loan guarantees available

How does Section 184 Work?

HUD guarantees the mortgage loan made to eligible borrowers. The loan guarantee assures Bay Bank, the only participating lender in the Green Bay area, that its investment will be repaid in the event of a foreclosure. The borrower pays 1% loan guarantee fee at closing, which may be financed in the mortgage or paid in cash. The borrower applies for the loan with Bay Bank and works with the tribe and the BIA if leasing tribal land. Bay Bank will then evaluate the necessary loan documentation and submit the loan for approval to the Office of Loan Guarantees (located in Denver, Colorado) for underwriting and a formal commitment, unless the lender is an approved direct guarantee lender.

Who is Eligible for a Section 184 Loan?

- Any Native American or Alaska Native that is a member of a federally recognized tribe or an Alaskan village.
- An Indian Tribe
- A Tribally Designated Housing Entity (TDHE)
- An Indian Housing Authority (IHA)

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ONEIDA CASINO

Legislative Review

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...



Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes

Once again the Business Committee offices are located in the Norbert Hill Center. Our stay at the Social Services Building was very nice and we want to thank the staff for the great care they took in meeting our needs during this temporary move. This has been the most organized transition I have ever been involved in and I very much appreciate the efforts put forth by all to make it as painless as possible.

I and the Committee continue to work on the re-authorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. For a while it looked like we were finally making some progress after five years of defeat. As of Sept. 29 the story has once again turned negative. The Dept. of Justice has now taken a stand in opposition which will make it next to impossible to get the Senate to move forward. While we haven't given up yet, it looks like we will be working on this bill with the new Congress in January, 2007.

One area of success for us has been with the transfer of land into trust for the Tribe. After decades of not being able to get the Bureau of Indian Affairs to process the applications in a timely manner, we have finally worked out a system that has proven to be effective and efficient. This is demonstrated by the approximate 476 acres that have been placed in trust within the last six months. We still have a lot to go but seeing progress after all the years of nothing has been extremely encouraging for all the staff who put a lot of time and effort into completing these applications. Now that we have the processing details worked out with the BIA, we should see more property going into trust. Service Agreements with the local municipalities has played a major factor in being able to move forward with the trust process. Through the agreements the Tribe makes payments of varying amounts to the municipalities to offset the cost of services they may be providing to the property in trust.

Progress is also being made on various improvement projects around the reservation. The new Waste Water Treatment Facility construction is close to completion. This project cost approximately $7.15 million and will provide a service to much of the reservation when completed this fall.

Plans are moving forward to build six one and two story townhouses on property located on the frontage road off of West Mason Street in Green Bay. The bidding process will take place over the next four months with construction expected to begin in Spring of `07. The units will be in duplex design, 2 and 3 bedroom with garages.

The Sacramento Marriott is nearing completion. Construction is expected to be completed in January. A tobacco burning ceremony will take place prior to opening for business. The Tribe is a 25% shareholder in this project with an investment of $2.4 million. Grand Opening is tentatively targeted for the end of March, 2007.

Finally, I must close by once again reminding you to GET OUT TO VOTE on November 7. It is very clear who will support the Oneida Tribe and your vote is needed to make sure they will take the office to allow them to do that. We can accomplish a lot more in Madison and Washington DC with people in office who will listen to us. Now is the time to make that happen.

The Oneida Tribe as a government does not endorse a candidate or party. What we prefer to do is make sure accurate information is being provided to you to make an informed decision on November 7 at the polls. Most recently an ad began airing that clearly lies about the status of gaming in Wisconsin. We can assure you that the Oneida Tribe has a legal, valid compact with the State of Wisconsin for conducting gaming on our reservation. We did not buy anyone to get that accomplished. The State of Wisconsin has received in excess of $50 million from the Tribe to offset the huge deficit left for their current administration to deal with. People who imply differently are not looking out for the best interests of the Oneida Tribe or the working citizens of the State of Wisconsin.

Letters...

Oneida Pantry: Grateful for the community support

I am writing this letter to thank those that have helped the Oneida Pantry with donations of food and funding to buy food to help those in need in our Community. First I want to thank the Kalihwisaks. Their staff did a tremendous job of getting the information out to the Community about the needs of the Oneida Pantry. We have gotten a lot of help since the article was printed.

Next, I want to thank the Gaming Marketing Department Staff for all they have done to get Food and Grocery Store Gift cards for the Oneida Pantry. They went out of their way to put together a program that would include the Casino Employees in helping us.

I want to thank the Department of Land Management for the Food and Funding they donated to the Oneida Pantry. I was invited to meet with their staff and the feeling I had while talking to them was very heart warming because of the interest they had in helping us. The very next day I was called to go pickup donations they had put together.

The next one is the Elementary School. The school had a food gathering contest. The class that had the most was allowed to go on a field trip to the Oneida Pantry. Out of 2000 items donated the First Grade had over 400 items gathered. I want to thank all of the Children and staff at the Turtle School for what they did for the needy in our community. They can be very proud of themselves. I also want to thank the Parents of those children because they had to be a large part of the food gathering. I picked the food up and the children and teachers came back to the Pantry with me. It was a blessing and a lot of fun to have the children at the Oneida Pantry. They helped put the food on the shelves and I got to spend some time with them telling them a little about the Pantry.

The Employee Relations Department had a food drive and there were also individuals in the Community who brought food to the Pantry.

I want to thank each and every one of those who donated to the Oneida Pantry and I pray the Creator will bless each and every one of you and what you give you will get in return plus more.

There is still a long way to go before our shelves are full but this is a great start.

We thank you from the Heart.

Gary Smith
Oneida Pantry Coordinator,
Volunteers and Staff at the
Oneida Pantry

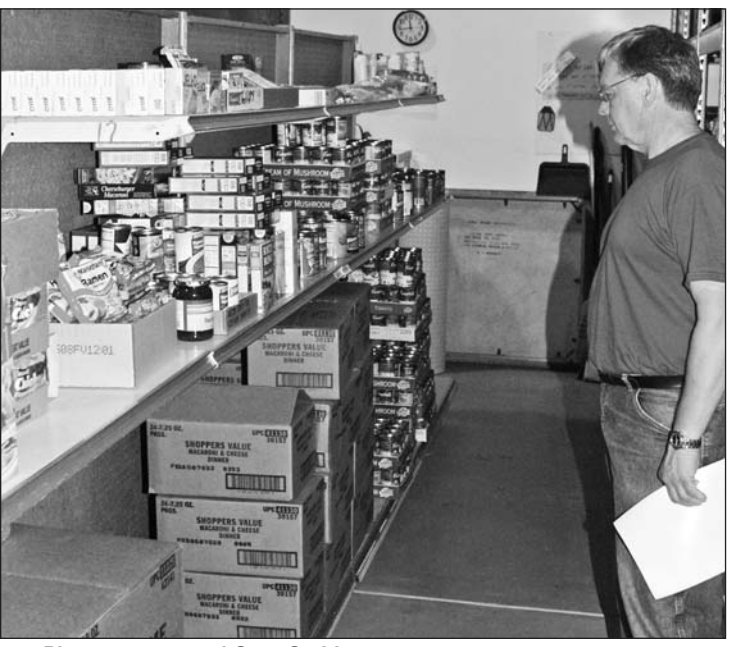


Photo courtesy of Gary Smith
Above, Oneida Pantry Coordinator Gary Smith, takes stock of newly donated food.

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Letters (Continued)

Legislative Update

As I reflect back on my first year in office, it has been a year filled with a multitude of learning and experiences. The first few months in office was spent getting acquainted and familiar with all of the issues that the Oneida Nation faces nationally, locally and in our community. Throughout that process I was able to engage in discussions with my peers to get a perspective on the initiatives and issues they sought to address throughout this term. Eventually, through the use of a strategic management system called the Balanced Scorecard, I have been able to align my campaign initiatives to that of our Nation's vision, mission and goals. With that, below you will find an update on several key issues that my office has been diligently working to complete.



Councilwoman
Melinda Danforth

Judiciary Act

The Legislative Operating Committee held public hearings on the first draft of the Judiciary Act. Many comments were received from the organizational perspective. In speaking with community members, elders, peers and employees it was evident that more diligence needed to be completed. Therefore, I am participating on a team that is reviewing and evaluating all the comments and concerns received. We are working diligently on reviewing line for line the impact of those comments and will be bringing forward a more comprehensive draft of the Judiciary Act.

Oneida Nation School System

Currently, I am the liaison to the Oneida School Board. The Oneida Business Committee will soon be engaging with the School Board to strategize and develop long/short term goals for the Oneida School System. We need to review our current systems and engage in meaningful dialogue about what's best for our children in their future growth and development and to explore all the opportunities to maximize and ensure no child is left behind.

Youth Summit

In this budget cycle, Councilman Ninham and myself are in the process of bringing forth an action plan to host a Youth Summit. We clearly understand the need to engage our youth and provide forums and opportunities which bring their minds together where they can freely express how to improve the quality of life. Our children are our most precious assets and they have a lot of creative ideas and can provide the government with some valuable direction.

ONCOA

As liaison to ONCOA, it's a tremendous learning experience being with the elders of our Nation. Our forefathers lived a life that sometimes we take for granted, they endured the hardships, the pain, the suffering and the everyday struggles. But through their perseverance and dedicated leadership, they paved the roads for us today so we can live a more prosperous life filled with opportunities for a better tomorrow. It is with great honor that we have Oneida elders whom continue to share their voice and knowledge on all branches of local, state, and national levels. I am very pleased with the active participation of our elders within our community, but most notably, a number of our elders are being recognized and serving on national boards.

Get Out the Vote

I'm sure by now everyone's inundated with the media's coverage regarding the upcoming November 7th general election. As a Council Member for our Nation, I can't stress enough the importance for our people to exercise your right and vote. There are many state and national decisions being made which are attempting to erode our sovereignty. As citizens we need to educate ourselves which electoral candidates will best serve and protect our Nation's interests and initiatives. Again, I strongly encourage each member to vote on November 7th. If you have any questions regarding registration, polling sites, or candidate profiles, please feel free to contact my office at 920-869-4461.

To U.S. Forces at War

As Veterans Day approaches, on behalf of my Office, I give thanks to all of our brave men and women who are serving, or who have served, in the United States Armed Forces. And to those who have served during wartime, a special thanks. And finally, to those who have sacrificed their bodies and lives in the defense of our nation, I offer my prayers and never ending gratitude.

WhenViolence hits Home

A recent shooting outside a night club in downtown Green Bay took the life of a young Oneida man. At age 21, the victim had already demonstrated success as a student, student athlete, older brother and a son to be proud of. He had his whole life ahead of him.

The person arrested for the shooting is a 15 year old member of the Menominee Nation who also had his whole life ahead of him but now could spend that life behind bars. Two lives, two families, two Indian nations devastated by a senseless act of violence.



Councilman
Ed Delgado

The parking lot where the killing took place is shared by two nightclubs, Hip Cats and Pi. Hip Cats has been in the news before due to the number of police calls made to 116 S. Adams St

The Pi nightclub is regularly frequented by many of Oneida's young adults.

The inner city community surrounding downtown Green Bay is increasingly becoming gang infested and violent. Belonging to those gangs is an increasing number of Indian youth including children from both the Oneida and Menominee nations.

I know that the Oneida Nation has programs designed to help its youth, the CAPPS Program being an excellent example. But it's evident that more needs to be done. I don't know what the Menominee have done, but I think it's time for them to reevaluate the state of their Nation when it comes to their young people.

As we contemplate the state of Indian children in the inner city, we now know that their well being is interconnected to the health and safety of all Indian children, including those living here on the Oneida Reservation. Their destinies are related and the policies and programs of the Oneida Nation should recognize that relatedness.

Dream Homes and Tax Questions

Many Tribal homeowners have received notice from the Tribe's Division of Land Management that "real estate tax payments would resume January 1, 2007." Oneida Tribal members have questions as to what exactly that means to their mortgage payments. By looking at the notice, it appears that Oneidas participating in Land Management's mortgage program will now be responsible for paying Wisconsin State taxes on lands that the Oneida Tribe will forever hold title to. My Office is currently in the process of studying exactly how the new mandate from Land Management will effect their mortgages. If it's determined that the new program is detrimental to Oneida mortgage holders, my Office will seek Oneida Business Committee action to insure that Tribal members are not being economically harmed by Land Management's initiative.

Thank you for your time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my Office at 920-562-1750 or 920-869-4415. Or feel free to contact me by email at: edelgado@oneidanation.org

My Assistant, Kitty Melchert can be contacted at 920-869-4026.

Oneida Business Committee
Meeting Minutes



Regulary Meeting
September 27, 2006
Business Committee Conference Room

Present: Gerald Danforth–Chair, Trish King–Council member, Kathy Hughes–Vice Chair, Paul Ninham–Council member, Mercie Danforth–Treasurer, Melinda J. Danforth–Council member, Patty Hoeft–Secretary, Edward Delgado–Council member, Vince DelaRosa–Council member.

Others Present: Corinna Charles, Pat Cornelius, Dellora Cornelius, Ben Vieau, Arlouine Bain, Carolyn Miller, Linda Mercier, Janice McLester, Barbara Skenandore, Warren Skenandore, Cynthia Thomas, Jenny Webster, Arlene Danforth, Amelia Cornelius, John Powless, Julie Barton, Thelma McLester, Leland Ninham, Sandra Skenandore, Susan White, Jeff Carlson, Brenda John, Cathy Metoxen, Twilight Moore, Lois Strong, Wayne Metoxen.

Opening Prayer: Ron Hill

Special Recognitions: Recognition of Maggie Fermanich for 25 years of service – Administered by Trish King.

1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth

2. Oath of Office–Administered by Patty Hoeft

Oneida Appeals Commission
Gary Jordan, Janice McLester, and Jennifer Webster. Not Present: Anita Barber.

Oneida Arts Board
Cynthia Thomas

Oneida Gaming Commission
Julie Barton

Oneida Land Commission
Ron Hill Jr. (Tehassi), Amelia Cornelius, Arlene Danforth, Patricia A. Cornelius, Corinna Charles, and Carolyn Miller. Not Present: Judy Cornelius.

Oneida Land Claims Commission
Loretta V. Metoxen and Wendell W. McLester.

Oneida Nation Commission on Aging (ONCOA)
Vera D. Wilson, Dellora R.Cornelius, and Warren Skenadore.

Oneida Pow Wow Committee
Lloyd E. Powless, Jr. and Ben Vieau. Not Present: Maureen Metoxen.

Oneida School Board – Parent
Ron Hill Jr. (Tehassi) and Stacey Nieto.

Oneida School Board – At Large
Linda Mercier and James Martin.

Oneida Trust Committee
Sharon Alvarez, Arlene Danforth, Carol Liggins, and Loretta V. Metoxen.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the agenda with moving Executive Session New Business Items 3. Loan Authorizations for FY2006 and 4. Public Safety Officer Pension Expense Budget Modification to Regular Session as Requests items 7 and 8, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes to be Approved

Regular Business Committee Minutes of September 13, 2006

Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the September 13, 2006 minutes, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Tabled Business–None

6. Reports–None

7. Travel Reports

1. Kathy Hughes RE: Senate Hearing – Fee to Trust Regulations September 1, 2006.

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the travel report, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoeft, Mercie Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Trish King, Melinda J. Danforth. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. Kathy Hughes RE: Police Commission Board Appointment Recommendation

Excerpt from September 13, 2006: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the recommendation of appointing James L. Danforth to the Oneida Police Commission, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Gerald Danforth RE: Personnel Commission Board Appointment Recommendation

Excerpt from September 13, 2006: Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Deborah Thundercloud RE: Monthly Oneida Community Health Center Update for July and August, 2006 (FYI)

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the Oneida Community Health Center update, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Lloyd Powless RE: Use & Maintenance of Parish Hall Follow-up

Excerpt from August 16, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the verbal update and defer this item for 30 days, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Trish King to accept the Use & Maintenance of Parish Hall follow-up report as FYI, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

5. General Manager RE: Cemetery Plan to address surface and ground water concerns

Excerpt from August 30, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the General Manager to take responsibility for the operation of the cemetery and to recommend to the Business Committee a plan to address the surface and ground water concerns, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Chief of Staff RE: Cemetery Public Relations Plan

Excerpt from August 30, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Chief of Staff to recommend to the Business Committee a public relations plan to work with the families and community-at-large, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the report and if the Business Committee has any input, to relay that information to the Chief of Staff by Friday, September 29, 2006, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham, Trish King. Abstained: Mercie Danforth abstained. Motion carried.

7. Assistant General Manager RE: Financial Report from Native American Indigenous Games

Excerpt from June 21, 2006: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the procedural travel exception with a report back from the Assistant General Manager of the total cost spent, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Financial Report from the Native American Indigenous Games, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business:

a. Resolutions

1. Jennifer Hill-Kelley RE: Oneida Nation Non-Point pollution management plan and submittal of application for program eligibility from U.S. EPA

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt Resolution 9-27-06-A, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patricia Hoeft RE: NCAI Resolution

Action: Motion by Trish King to adopt NCAI Resolution 9-27-06-B with the named Gerald Danforth as the delegate, Patty Hoeft, Melinda J. Danforth and Ed Delgado as alternates, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Marsha Danforth RE: 2007 Recycling Grant State of Wisconsin/Department of Natural Resources

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to adopt Resolution 9-27-06-C 2007 Recycling Grant State of Wisconsin/Department of Natural Resources, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Requests

1. Wayne Metoxen/Pat Wood RE: Intergovernmental Agreement - Construction of the Municipal Wastewater Collection and Water Distribution Systems for the Sanger B. Powers Correctional Center Facility - CIP Project #04 - 019

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, the State of Wisconsin, Department of Corrections, Department of Administration, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patricia Hoeft RE: Posting one vacancy for the Oneida Library Board

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to post one vacancy for the Oneida Library Board, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously..

3. Patricia Hoeft RE: GTC recommended date Regarding Community Program Area of Oneida Housing Authority

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer this item for two weeks for the liaison to find out what actions the Housing Authority Board took on this issue, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Ed Delgado RE: To direct the COS to provide a status report of GTC directive dated 1-8-90 - (Top Management Positions)

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct the Chief of Staff to provide a status report on GTC directive dated 1-8-90 regarding top management positions, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

5. General Manager RE: Print Shop Recommendations

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve a 30 day extension, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Patricia Hoeft RE: Cancellation of October 11, 2006 Business Committee Meeting

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to deny the cancellation of the October 11, 2006 Business Committee Meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Mike Olujic RE: Loan Authorization for FY2006

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Loan Authorization for FY2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Mike Olujic RE: Public Safety Officer Pension Expense Budget modification Approval request

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Public Safety Officer Pension Expense Budget modification, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

For the record, *Kathy Hughes stated she could make the decision due to familiarity of line items from the quarterly Treasurer's Report.*

c. Travel Requests

1. Gerald Danforth/Paul Ninham RE: Terra Madre, Italy; Food Sovereignty Conference, October 26 - 30, 2006

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the travel request, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Mercie Danforth RE: Retro Approval - Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes, September 26, 2006

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to retro approve the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes travel, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Gerald Danforth RE: Retro Approval - Oshweken, Ontario

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to retro approve the travel to Oshweken, Ontario, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Kathy Hughes RE: Blanket Travel - Bemidji Area IHS Tribal Advisory Board (TAB), National Indian Health Board Technical Advisory Group (TTAG), IHS/VHA Steering Committee, Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling (WDPB) and Medicare Medicaid Policy Council (MMPC)

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the blanket travel requests for: Bemidji Area IHS Tribal Advisory Board (TAB), National Indian Health Board Technical Advisory Group (TTAG), IHS/VHA Steering Committee, Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling (WDPB) and Medicare Medicaid Policy Council (MMPC), seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Mercie Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

10. Finance Committee – None

11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)

For Consideration LOC Minutes of June 5, 2006

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the LOC Minutes of June 5, 2006, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

For Consideration Adoption of the Small Business Amendment

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt the Small Business Amendment Resolution 9-27-06-D, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

For Consideration Adoption of Termination of Appointment Amendments

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt Termination of Appointment Amendment Resolution 9-27-06-E, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Treasurer's Report – None

13. Oneida Business Committee Planning

September 12, 2006 meeting minutes

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the September 12, 2006 Planning minutes, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Executive Staff Meeting

September 7, 2006 meeting minutes

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the September 7, 2006 Executive Staff Minutes, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Legislative Affairs Update

1. Rights of Way Letter - Retro approval
Letter to Wisconsin Delegation re HR 4893 Retro approval

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Rights of Way and Wisconsin Delegation HR 4893 letters, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Native American Language Preservation Act Update - FYI
Oneida Means Business 8th CD Debate Info - FYI

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Native American Language Preservation Act Update and Oneida Means Business 8th Congressional District as FYI, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously..

3. Local Municipal & County Report - For approval

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Local, Municipal and County Report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Executive Session

a. Tabled Business

1. Chief of Staff RE: Amendment to Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Public Safety Officer Pension Plan

Excerpt from May 10, 2006 Minutes: Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer to July 5, 2006 for research of minutes from 70's, 80's and 01, correspondence from HR and management on this issue, recommendation from COS for options, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Tabled: July 19th, August 16th, August 30th, September 13th

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to take this item from the table, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Resolution 9-27-06-F to adopt the 1st amendment to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Public Safety Officer Pension Plan and grandfathered participant may not commence prior to June 1, 2006; seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Melinda J. Danforth. Opposed: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

For the Record, the Chair was not part of discussion or decision due to Conflict of Interest.

b. Old Business

1. Nelson Wahlstrom RE: Determining Tribal Representation in Criminal Court Proceedings

Excerpt from August 16th: Motion by Trish King to defer to the law office for a legal opinion, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from September 13, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the Law Office to bring back recommendations, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct Chief Counsel to respond to Brown County Judge Dietz that the Oneida Tribe agrees to reduce monthly restitution to the amount of $200.00 per month, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Trish King RE: WHEDA - Alternative Housing

Excerpt from August 16th: Motion by Mercie Danforth to support the concept and refer this item to the General Manager, back with recommendations in 30 days, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Trish King to defer this item for 30 days, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Business Committee Interview Team
RE: Gaming General Manager Contract

Excerpt from September 13, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to the October 11, 2006 Business Committee meeting with comments back from the Business Committee Interview Team at the September 27, 2006 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

No action taken: Will be on the October 11, 2006 Business Committee agenda.

c. New Business

1. Leland Ninham RE: Paul Stenzel - Contract Amendment

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer this item for two weeks for clarification, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Paul Ninham, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King. Abstained: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.

2. Mike Olujic RE: Orrick Bond Counsel Retainer

Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the Orrick Bond Counsel Retainer, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Legislative Affairs Update

1. Get Out to Vote Field Plan

Excerpt from August 30th: Motion by Mercie Danforth that a report on contribution and recommendations be provided, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from September 13th: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to defer this item to the next Business Committee Meeting, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the expenditure of $120,000.00 on the four initiatives, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trish King to adopt Resolution 9-27-06-G for the Fair Election 2006 Policy, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Attorney Brief

1. Judy Cornelius v Oneida Nation Community Library, et al

Action: Motion by Trish King to direct the Chair to invoke the Memorandum of Agreement between the Oneida Business Committee and Oneida Appeals Commission and to direct the law office to request an extension to file an answer, if denied to file an answer and present merits of the case, then continue objection of jurisdiction of Appeals Commission, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado, Melinda J. Danforth. Opposed: Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

2. Attorney Arlinda Locklear regarding New York Land Claims

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to retro approve the letter to the Eastern BIA regional director, seconded by Ed.Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Vince DelaRosa to dismiss the individual lawsuits regarding Land Claims as requested by Attorney Locklear, seconded Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Nature's Way Documents/Diversified Investigations, LLC

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the release of Document A to the Oneida Police Department, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Audit Committee - None

g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1st meeting of the month)

h. Seven Generation Corporation Update (1st and 2nd meeting of the month)

Excerpt from August 2, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer the Distribution of Profit changes to Seven Generation Corporation Charter to the next Business Committee meeting for a legal opinion from their lawyer and for a budget impact statement from the Treasurer's office, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from August 16, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item back to Seven Generations Corporation Board to come back with a more comprehensive charter, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Committee Meeting of September 13, 2006: Deferred.

Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the 2nd Amendment to Corporate Charter, Resolution 9-27-06-H as presented, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Recess/Adjourn Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adjourn, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on October 11, 2006.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

State/National

Court limits authority of federal government at Indian casinos

By Erica Werner
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) – The federal government can't make rules for the ways Las Vegas-style games are played at Indian casinos, an appeals court ruled Friday in a blow to efforts to regulate the booming, $22 billion tribal gambling industry.

The decision by a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit arises from a dispute in Arizona between the Colorado River Indian Tribes and the National Indian Gaming Commission, the federal agency that oversees Indian casinos.

The commission tried in 2001 to audit the tribe's casino in Parker, Ariz., to ensure compliance with recently enacted federal standards for how games like blackjack and slot machines are run. The tribe objected, contending the commission was overstepping its authority under the National Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

A federal district court sided with the tribe, and the appeals court agreed in an 11-page ruling. While federal law gives the gaming commission some authority over games like lotto and bingo on Indian land, the big money-makers like blackjack and slots - classified as ``Class III'' games - are outside the commission's jurisdiction, said the ruling written by Judge A. Raymond Randolph.

"What is the statutory basis empowering the commission to regulate Class III gaming operations?" the ruling asked. "Finding none, we affirm" the lower court's decision.

Tribes can open Las Vegas-style casinos only after they sign a "compact" with their state's governor, and the court asserted there was no federal role in regulating the game-playing.

Tribal gambling has grown explosively since Congress established the legal framework for it in 1988, and there are now more than 400 Indian gambling facilities operated by 223 Indian tribes in 28 states.

With the growth have come conflicts as tribes have asserted their sovereignty as independent governments. Local and state governments have sought to sketch out some authority, and the federal government increasingly has attempted to regulate aspects of Indian gambling from labor to slot machine standards.

The National Indian Gaming Association welcomed the ruling as a victory for tribal sovereignty.

"Today, the federal court of appeals told us what Indian tribes always knew - it is not the NIGCs job to establish federal regulations that override the sovereign decisions of tribes and states made through Class III gaming compacts," the association's chairman, Ernest Stevens, Jr., said in a statement.

Officials with the National Indian Gaming Commission did not immediately return calls seeking comment.

Out-of-State American Indians struggle to get I.D. in Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) – American Indians from out-of-state tribes may have a harder time getting a driver's license in Oregon than illegal immigrants.

Oregon is one of the few states in the nation where officials from the Department of Motor Vehicles cannot ask people whether they're here legally but can ask them to prove their identity, using documents that could indicate their status.

But only Oregon and New York restrict its tribal documentation rules to those from in-state tribes, according to the National Immigration Law Center.

"We have a process and a criteria," says David House, spokesman for the Oregon Driver and Motor Vehicle Services.

The contradiction between the two policies - green lights for the nation's newest inhabitants, potential red flags for some of its original ones - is troubling on philosophical grounds, if not legal ones, according to legal experts. One is an election issue, the other is not.

Most Indians in Oregon come from out-of-state tribes. The 2000 Census counted more than 85,000 Oregonians who identified themselves as Indians. Fewer than 13,000 linked themselves to one of Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes.

Michael Crawford moved to Oregon from South Dakota in 2004 to be near his grandchildren. The businessman carries his Sisseton-Wahpeton tribal driver's license as his one form of identification. Far from home, it's a small sign of his roots, but one he'll tell you - in English or Dakota - he's keeping.

So the 55-year-old Gresham man was offended when DMV officials said the documentation was no good after he went to get an Oregon non-driving identification card.

"I was sitting there, hearing people speak Lao, Russian, Spanish and being helped. And I thought, 'Here I am, I can speak Dakota - one of the original languages of this continent.' ... The State of Oregon is supposed to serve the public. It has not served me. The day it doesn't serve one, it serves none."

David Shaw, a Portland attorney specializing in Indian law, has seen tribal identification cards accepted as valid documentation throughout the country.

"Tribes guard this with their dying breath because it's a representation of their identity," he says. The tribal ID card can be key to tribal services and benefits, from health care to hunting and fishing rights to per-capita gambling revenue.

He calls the Oregon DMV policy "a relic of another time and place, and if this state wants to be progressive and move into the 21st century, it needs to remove it." He adds that it "hints of lack of faith and a suspicion of tribes."

The DMV said that most people have more than one form of identification, a fact that House says generally prevents problems such as Crawford's. For those who don't, DMV has an appeals process.

In a situation regarding tribal identification, "Out-of-state tribes can approach us, but few have," House said, explaining that the DMV doesn't have time to work with the more than 500 federally recognized tribes to determine how to make sure a document isn't a fake.

Crawford, who says he has no interest in appealing and continues to drive with his tribal license, doesn't agree with Oregon's logic. Nor does the state of Washington.

"We certainly recognize tribal governments as sovereign governments," says Brad Benfield, spokesman for the Washington Department of Licensing. "There isn't any reason we wouldn't accept their identification like we would from another state or nation. ... Our people are skilled at ascertaining the legitimacy of documents. That's part of their jobs."

Portland attorney Richard Guest agrees that Oregon seems unusual.

"I can't think of anything," the staff attorney for the Native American Rights Fund in Washington, D.C., says, "that would justify the state discriminating against a tribe from Northern California, treating it differently than it would a tribe from Southern Oregon."

For Michael Marchand, chairman of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation in northern Washington and a first vice president of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, it all goes back to sovereignty.

"It's reciprocal. As tribes, we have the right to not accept Washington state papers if we choose not to. And likewise the state of Oregon," he says, chuckling at the thought.

"It goes both ways."

Honeywell agrees on $451 million plan to clean NY lake

By William Kates
Associated Press Writer

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) – New Jersey-based Honeywell Inc. will spend $451 million to help clean up Onondaga Lake, once a sacred American Indian waterway turned into a toxic stew by a century of municipal and industrial pollution.

The agreement announced Thursday is one of the largest legal settlements against a polluter in state history, said Gov. George Pataki and Attorney General Eliot Spitzer.

Honeywell will commit to a nine-year cleanup plan that calls for dredging 2.65 million cubic yards of contaminated sediment from the five-mile long lake on Syracuse's northeastern limits, according to a consent order to be filed in U.S. District Court in Syracuse.

Additionally, Morris Township, N.J.-based Honeywell agreed to seal 579 acres of lake bottom with a cap of sand, gravel and other material.

Meanwhile, Onondaga County is spending $500 million on a 15-year project to stop polluting the lake with sewage by 2012. The county is under a federal court order to make the lake safe for swimming and fishing and comply with the federal Clean Water Act.

Much of the lake's contamination is the legacy of a former Allied Chemical Co. complex that closed in 1986, leaving behind mercury and other contaminants. Honeywell took over Allied in 1999 and became responsible for the pollution. Municipal sewage overflows have also fouled the lake.

Onondaga Lake was once the spiritual center of the Onondaga Nation, one of the six upstate New York tribes that formed the Iroquois Confederacy. The great Onondaga Chief Hiawatha once canoed on its waters. In the late 19th century, the lake was ringed by grand resorts and amusement parks and was a popular sports fishery.

Today, it is one of only three lakes in the country listed as a federal Superfund site.

Letters... (Continued)

Addressed, Corrected, and Acknowledged

Dear Editor,

There has been a lot of political activity focused on comments made by a candidate visiting the Oneida Reservation in Wisconsin this past week. Dr. Kagen, (Democrat) is running for the Congressional seat in the 8th District against Representative John Gard (Republican) who is currently in the assembly and running for Congress. Dr. Kagen was at a meeting last week at the Radisson where things were running late and the reference by Tribal members of "Indian Time" was expressed. Dr. Kagen upon leaving Oneida late arrived late for this next event. Upon arriving to the event, he referenced being late due to "Injun time". It was brought to public attention and the Tribe by the media on Monday during our get out to vote rally. Personally, I received at least six calls about the comment. I approached Dr. Kagen with the issue. He told me, his intention was not to make racial slurs or show disrespect, he was referencing what was said on the reservation earlier. Dr. Kagen did apologize and did so publicly as well. As Public Relations Director and as an enrolled Oneida, I was appreciative of the opportunity to address him personally with the issue and hear his public apology. A few years ago we experienced a similar, yet more severe action by the GOP when they had a cartoon of a Native scalping a taxpayer. We demanded an apology, we never received one. I have received several comments from Oneida people about this particular issue and how we address racial slurs, mascot concerns and the like. I am offended by racist remarks and stereotypical remarks, like many people, but I appreciate the offense being addressed and corrected and acknowledged with honesty and in a timely manner. I hope our rally encouraged many of you to get out and vote, that was the intention. **Remember November 7th, VOTE.**

Respectfully,
Bobbi Webster,
Public Relations Director
Oneida Nation

From Page 1A/*Indian Time*

called Kagen's choice of words ``unfortunate'' and said the comment should not have been made.

"You shouldn't hear remarks like this from people running for Congress," said Christine Mangi, Gard's communications director. "They should be held to a higher standard."

Bobbi Webster, a spokeswoman for the Oneida Nation, said Monday that Kagen's comment was not being taken as disrespectful by tribal members. No apology was sought, she said.

"Tribal members say that themselves. It is not uncommon to hear somebody come in late and say, 'Oh-Oh. I am running on Indian time' The time you get there is the time to do your thing," Webster said.

A native American in South Dakota was less forgiving of Kagen.

Bruce Whalen, a Republican seeking election to the U.S. House in South Dakota's only district, called Kagen's remark a "racist comment" that insults Native Americans everywhere, according to a statement released by the National Republican Congressional Committee.

Whalen, a member of South Dakota's Oglala Sioux Tribe on the Pine Ridge Reservation, had called for an apology from Kagen.

Whalen spokesman Lee Breard did not immediately return a message left at the campaign office Monday evening.

The term "Injun" is not necessarily disrespectful, said Webster, the Oneida spokeswoman.

"If I thought an individual was trying to be disrespectful, then I might think about it in that term," she said. "But if I thought a person was trying to be funny, then I might enlighten him and say, 'You know, I know what you are trying to do but you may want to just say it a little differently.'"

Kagen and Gard were on the reservation Monday for a debate, and no tribal members brought up the "Injun" comment, Webster said.

"We were laughing about all the calls we got today in regard to the Indian time comment and we said. 'My God, aren't they interested in what the issues are all about? The health care. The education. The jobs,'" she said.

From Page 5A/*ATHENA award*

million biennial budget with 120 full time employees. She is currently bond counsel and partner in the firm of Tyson Strong Hill, LLC in Milwaukee and Green Bay. The firm focuses on public finance, real estate and government affairs. Her firm served as co-bond counsel for the $175 million 2001 Packer Stadium remodeling project. She has been co-bond counsel on numerous public housing bond issues ranging from $150 million to $250 million.

Donsia also initiated an organization of professional black women to provide support and networking to these women as an enhancement to the typical social network of the community. Also a member of the Board of Directors of New North, Inc, Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation and Greater Green Bay Community Foundation—Women's Fund. She is a past member on the Board of Directors for Nicolet Federated Library System, Mutual Housing Association of Green Bay and Lac Baie Girl Scout Council.

For more information about the ATHENA Award, the ATHENA Foundation, or information about the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce and its programs, call Vikki Perkins, communications manager, at 920-437-8704 or visit www.titletown.org.

Established in 1882, the mission of the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce is to promote economic and community development. Chamber programs include Advance, Partners in Education, Leadership Green Bay, Brown County Teen Leadership, Current--the Young Professionals Network, Good Government Council, the International Business Development Consortium, and the Small Business Council.

To learn more about the referendum vote on the Civil Unions and Marriage Ban, go to:
www.Fairwisconsin.com

Polling places on the Oneida Reservation

Tuesday • November 7, 2006

Brown County

Green Bay Botanical Gardens
2600 Larson Road

First Baptist Church
2421 West Point Road

Hobart Town Hall
2703 Pine Tree Road

Outagamie County

Town of Oneida Town Hall
N6593 County Road H

Polling stations open at 7:00am and close 8:00pm.

Employees of the Oneida Tribe are allowed an hour off of work to go vote.

Sport

Home comes the win for T–Hawks

Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

(Right) Nick Cantu (21) rushes for a touchdown late in the first half. The score put Oneida up by 28 points against the upstart Stockbridge team. This was the Thunderhawks Homecoming game and second victory of the season. Oneida narrowly defeated the Menominee Eagles on September 1 in their territory.





Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

At left, Coach Jermaine Delgado and Coach Sonny Martin intensely watch their players with :34 seconds remaining in the first half. As the game went on, the coaches frequently reminded the Thunderhawk players to play hard, but still show respect to the Stockbridge team which they beat-up by a score of 35 to 0. The Thunderhawks headed up to the U.P. in Michigan to finish off their season on Wednesday, October 18 against Bark River Harris. The T-Hawks lost that game by a score of 13 to 39.

Recreation Highlights

New leagues and new staff member

Submitted by Amanda Riesenberg
Oneida Recreation

Come on down to the Oneida Recreation Department - Civic Center and sign your child or yourself up for one of our basketball leagues.

The 5 and 6 year olds will learn one new skill each session and play a scrimmage game at the end of each session. The 5 and 6 year old league will be run on Wednesdays from 5:00-6:00 pm at the Civic Center.

Their will be a 2nd-4th grade co-ed basketball league on Wednesdays at 6:00-7:00 pm at the Civic Center. This league will also be an instructional based league, but the youth will be able to end each session with an in house league game.

The 5th and 6th grade will be participating in the Green Bay city wide league. They will practice at the Civic Center, but games will be located throughout the city of Green Bay and the Civic Center. Games will be from 5:00-6:00 pm on Tuesdays for boys and Thursdays for girls.

On Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 pm their will be Teen/Adult Pick Up Basketball at the Civic Center.

All in-house leagues will begin the week of November 5th. They will run for seven weeks and will conclude the week of December 17th. Forms are available at the Civic Center and County H recreation facility.

Starting in January:

If you are 13 and over and love to play basketball. This league is for you. The recreation department will be running a 13 and over basketball league for males and females. Games will start at 6:00 pm at the Civic Center. Days will be determined at a later date. You can form your own team! Separate mens and womens leagues will be played, unless there is not enough teams.

Dartball is back!! Dartball will be run on Wednesday evenings at the Civic center starting at 6:00 pm for men and woman age 13 and over.

If you love to play dodgeball and are between the ages of 9 and 12, you are in luck. We will be running a dodgeball league on Thursdays starting at 5:00 pm. We will be playing all different types of dodgeball games during this league.

For more information please contact the Oneida Recreation Department at **869-1088.**

Meet Amanda

Hello! My name is Amanda Riesenberg and I am the newest member of the Oneida Recreation Department staff. I have a B.A. degree in Exercise Science from Ripon College. I have been working within the recreation field for 2 _ years. I am one of the Sports and Fitness Specialists for the department. I have experience in coordinating sports leagues that include flag football, basketball, volleyball, soccer and baseball. I have been involved with planning many different special events for youth, adults and families. I have also organized many different clubs that include golf, weight lifting for boys, fitness for girls, running and Bocce Ball. I have been an avid athlete my entire life. I ran track in high school and college. My specialty was the hurdles, sprints and relays. Now a days I love to go to the gym, run, play golf, touch football, and softball. I also love to scrapbook, which is the artistic side in me. I live in the Town of Lawrence with my husband of 3 years, our son, who is 6 months old and our 2 year old black lab. I am excited to get to know you. I have a lot of new ideas and energy that I hope to bring to the department. I hope that all of you are eager to try them and get involved in the recreation department.



Division of Land Management

Loan Program

By Nicole Rommel
Assistant Financial Accnts Manager

Land Management is accepting applications for the following loan programs:

- Loans for purchasing a new DREAM Home.
- Loans for purchasing an existing DREAM home.
- Emergency loans to address the death of the DREAM home owner.
- Emergency loans to address the divorce of a DREAM home owner.

All loan approvals are dependent on available funds.

We refer refinancing or equity loans to Bay Bank at (920) 490-7600. Bay Bank has a number of purchasing programs, along with other banks within the community. If you are on leased fee or leased trust land or individual trust land, you will need to follow the proper Assignment of Lease and BIA approval process. Please contact the Finance Department at (920) 869-1690 for more information.

Tomah district drops Indian logo and mascot

TOMAH, Wis. (AP) ~ The Tomah School District will drop its Indian logo and mascot.

The school board voted Thursday night to retire the Indians at the end of the school year.

The decision came after the State Department of Public Instruction urged all Wisconsin school districts to drop Indian nicknames.

Board member Joan Greendeer-Lee, an American Indian, urged the board to drop the mascot and move on to issues that promote education.

Some local residents wanted to preserve the Indian mascot. A petition signed by about 300 people was presented to the board in support of it.

Mandatory Meeting

For ALL Players

involved in

Boys/Girls Basketball

When: **Wednesday, November 1, 6:00 p.m.**

Where: **BC Room in Norbert Hill Center**

Issues include:

- **Code of Conduct, Physicals, Prevea Forms**
- **Practice/Game Schedule**
- **Meeting Coaches, Fund-raising**

For more information call…

Lance Kelley at 869-4490 (work) or 562-4965 (cell)

Parents must also attend the mandatory meeting with their son/daughter.



League

at ONEIDA Family Fitness

Starting Tuesday, Nov. 14

Entry fee: $30.00 per team

Time: 7:00 pm

As the coordinator of sport leagues at Oneida Family Fitness, I would like to invite you to participate in the upcoming volleyball league. This is a 6-on-6 co-ed league with prizes going to 1st and 2nd place.

Hope to see you there.
Jason Manders

Veterans

A Thankful Remembrance



By John A. Scocos
Secretary, WDVA

For those who have served, it is no secret that service in the U.S. armed forces is a high risk proposition. Military service is often demanding and dangerous, and federal VA data bears that out.

Since the middle of the last century, each new U.S. war has seemed to have left a particular trademark affecting some of those veterans who served.

In the Korean War – long the "Forgotten War" – the profusion of cold weather injuries brought on by prolonged open, and often near motionless exposure to frigid temperatures in wet and dirty conditions have resulted in a host of chronic health conditions.

For veterans of the Vietnam War, an array of cancers and other serious health conditions has been linked to their exposure to the dioxin contained in the Agent Orange sprayed to kill off the steaming jungle undergrowth that hid enemy soldiers. Agent Orange has led to the early demise of countless thousands of veterans while leaving many thousands more debilitated.

Sixteen years later, the 1991 Gulf War, despite its relatively low rate of war casualties, left tens of thousands of veterans with a myriad of health conditions that include high rates of brain cancer, testicular cancer, Lou Gehrig's disease, asthma, and chronic multi-symptom illnesses following a virtual toxic soup of hazardous exposures. All that, and yet, after another 16 years there is still no clear way to connect the dots in some unifying way that might help these ailing veterans, or to help prevent similar outcomes in the future.

In Iraq and increasingly in Afghanistan, the technological advances in personal protective equipment that help save lives from the ever present threat of improvised explosive devices – IEDs – have also enabled the rise of the resulting signature health condition of these new wars – traumatic brain injury, or TBI – as well as complex, lasting injuries of extremities and areas not protected by body armor.

And after every war in recorded history, there have also been substantial numbers of veterans who have returned home with what is today recognized as Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), a condition that can be severely disabling, particularly if left untreated.

Recent reports show that over 90% of those serving in the war in Iraq will see actual combat, with as high as 40% of those serving returning home with PTSD.

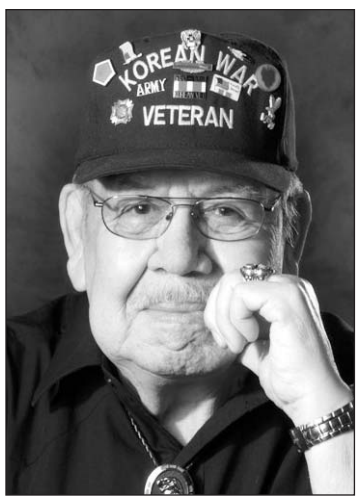
In addition to elevated risk of death, disease, and disability by wartime service, our military service men and women have served willingly in countless roles, both stateside and overseas: from the long, cold patrols along the Demilitarized-Zone (DMZ) on the Korean peninsula, to training soldiers in the developing world; from patrolling near Soviet territory deep below the ocean's icy cold waters to standing alert in subterranean missile silos during the darkest hours of the Cold War; from dropping precious cargo in humanitarian relief missions in Berlin, Kurdistan, and Bangladesh to flying critical intelligence-gathering missions over Cuba and the Communist Bloc; from aiding in anti-nuclear proliferation efforts and counter-insurgency, counter-narcotic, and counter-terrorist operations. In the military, the distinction between "wartime" and "peacetime" service is frequently murky.

Every veteran has a story to tell, one that often varies widely from the experiences of the next. However, the sense of alert readiness, of living every moment on perpetual standby for thoroughly and frequently practiced wartime duties that may come at virtually any moment day or night, weekday or holiday, is a defining aspect of military life, one that is uncommon in the civilian sector.

And understandably, every veteran may not always be willing to share his or her military experiences, particularly with those who may not understand what it may have been like to have been forced to make difficult choices with profound consequences.

And therefore, it is even more important that at least on this one day every year – on Veterans Day, the anniversary of the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, marking the armistice ending the War to End All Wars – that we pay thankful remembrance to all our military service men and women who have donned our nation's uniforms with the certainty of hardship, separation, and sacrifice in locations flung across the globe, and the very real risks of injury, illness, suffering, and even death. We are thankful that they do so willingly so that we at home do not have to.

Oneida Veterans to be featured in Korean War documentary



Cornelius Hill



Valdor John

Oneida members Cornelius Hill and Valdor John both appear in the two-part-documentary "Wisconsin Korean War Memories"

At 8 p.m. Monday, November 13, Wisconsin Public Television (WPT) will premiere a new two-part series on Wisconsin veterans who served in the Korean War. More than 50 state veterans were interviewed about their experiences in a war that many have termed "forgotten". WPT and its partners on the project, the Wisconsin Historical Society and the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs, have chronicled these stories so the current, and future, generations remember veterans' sacrifice and bravery.

The one-hour programs are called Wisconsin Korean War Stories "Invasion" and Wisconsin Korean War Stories "Stalemate." These will air back to back on all WPT stations across the state as well as on Milwaukee Public Television.

Movie review of…

"Flags of our Fathers"

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

An often forgotten era of World War II, for those men who were not a part of it, is the Pacific Theater in which thousands of US Marines and Navy Seaman fought against a ferocious enemy in the Japanese.

There is now, however, a film which has dedicated itself to accurately recounting one of the many dramas that unfolded over there, and it is called "Flags of our Fathers."

The movie, directed by Clint Eastwood, tells of the flag raising at Iwo Jima. Actually it tells about two flag raisings.

The movie is alive with intense war re-enactments that rival the most intense scenes of "Saving Private Ryan," the graphic nature of these scenes is enough to make audience's shutter at their sight.

It's not all about bombs and bullets, guts and gore though. The story plays itself out by describing, with flashbacks and jumps through time, the relationship of those three men and how



they dealt with each other, the American public and their own inner demons. The flashbacks make it difficult to get your mind wrapped around the story at first, this is a bit disconcerting but quickly forgotten about.

The story of the journey of three brave souls, two Marines and a Navy Corpsman, all of whom were present in the famous photograph of the flag raising at Iwo Jima atop Mt. Suribachi.

Six men raised that second flag, but within two weeks time after that, half of those men were dead. Private First Class (PFC) Rene Gagnon, (Jesse Bradford), PFC Ira Hayes (Adam Beach) and Navy Corpsman John Bradley (Ryan Phillippe) survived the fighting that killed their friends.

This movie wasn't so much about the raising of the flags, but the raising of war bonds to finance the war. The men were used in a giant PR campaign designed to raise money for the war effort.

The film comes full circle at the end and all the questions and concerns that audiences had in the beginning are all answered.

The film is based on the book by James Bradley. Bradley is the fourth son of Navy Corpsman John Bradley, one of the flag raisers focused on in the film.

Bradley and Eastwood did a masterful job re-creating such a nightmarish campaign, and still being able to tell their story amidst so much carnage. The story is never lost throughout the picture. Although there are some gut-wrenching scenes, they are used to help and dramatize the storyline.

Overall I thought the film was well done and pays a great deal of respect to those men who served and died on that island in the South Pacific.

★★★VETERANS' DAY★★★
★★★ Celebration ★★★

The Oneida VFW Post 7784 was authorized to organize and be constituted on November 12th 1946. The original charter members were:

★ Rupert Adams ★ Emerson (Archie) Archiquette
★ Pierce Baird (He donated the land at our present location)
★ Frank Bear ★ David Cannon ★ Roderick Cornelius
★ Rimton Doxtator ★ Roy Huff ★ Russell John
★ Edwin King ★ Raymond King ★ John Powless
★ Leland Powless ★ Artley Skenandore ★ Abraham Webster
and ★ Woodrow (Woody) Webster.

We have 4 charter members with us and they are:
Roy Huff, David Cannon, Edwin King and Woody.

This year…We celebrate our 60th anniversary

We would like to invite the community to the Oneida VFW Post 7784 Open House this Veterans Day for some Booyah, Boiled Dinner, good conversation and maybe a game or two of Cribbage.

If you have old pictures of past VFW members/activities please bring them along to share with our community. We will start serving around noon and continue till around 1600/1700 hrs.

Local veterans perspective on …

"Flags of our Fathers" premiere

"Flags of our Fathers" Debuted at number three this past weekend getting beat out by "The Departed" and "The Prestige".

Although the film didn't hit number one in the box office, it did hit home with a group of Oneida Vets.

Jim Martin, Kerry Metoxen and a group of other veterans from the Oneida AmVets went to a matinee showing of the film Monday, October 23.

Martin had this to say, "I thought it was an excellent movie, bit graphic but necessary for the effect of war."

The film chronicles the landing of 1688 Marines onto the shores of Iwo Jima.

Martin goes on, "[The movie had a] good story line and I would predict an Oscar nomination for Adam Beach for his portrayal of Ira Hayes." Beach is a veteran at playing a Native American Marine as he did so most recently in the movie "Windtalkers."

> ***"I thought it was an excellent movie, bit graphic but necessary for the effect of war."***
> ~ Jim Martin
> AmVets Member

Ira Hayes, was a Native American from the Pima reservation in Arizona and one of the main characters in the film. The movie chronicled the happenings of him and two others, a Marine, Rene Gagnon and a Navy Corpsman, John Bradley.

The film focused a lot on how life for a Native American Marine was back then.

"Native Americans are pretty well represented in that movie," said Metoxen, Oneida Veterans Director. "That's the way it was back then. Personally I think he (Ira Hayes) had PTSD, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, and it wasn't diagnosed back then."

John Bradley, Navy Corpsman, was from Wisconsin. His son wrote the book that led to the Clint Eastwood film.

Bradley and his family, never knew that his father had been awarded the Navy Cross until after his death.

"The heros of Iwo Jima are the guys who didn't come back," Navy Corpsman, John Bradley.

Couple takes on local food challenge for October



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

All of Paul Ninham and Jill Martus-Ninham's food comes from within 100 miles of Oneida.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Thirty-one days without bread, sugar or chocolate. It's not a new-fangled low-carb diet Paul Ninham and Jill Martus-Ninham have signed up for, it's a local food challenge.

The couple is attempting during the month of October to only eat food produced within a 100 mile radius of Oneida. They're making the effort along with Jeff and Tina Metoxen, and Patti and Mike Hoeft and their daughters Lauren and Olivia.

"It certainly is a life style change, and I'm finding that out daily," said Paul.

They were inspired to take up the challenge after seeing a presentation from the Land Recovery Project from Leech Lake, Wisconsin during the Indigenous Farming Conference.

"They presented on it to give people an idea on what a local food challenge might look like, but the trick is that you design it for yourself," said Jill.

For example, each family decided on a few "trade items" that were ok to add to their diets. Jill and Paul chose bottled water, salt, cooking oil and coffee as their trade items.

While Mike traveled to Washington Island to buy locally produced wheat, Paul and Jill have decided to go without bread.

Both Paul and Jill were happily surprised at the availability of locally produced foods.

"We're just finding out that it's not really that hard to eat locally within our 100 mile radius, 80% of this stuff is right here at home in a 10 minute drive," said Paul.

It's given them a chance to learn more about local food growers as well.

"We found out how many people in the area, just Northeast Wisconsin, grow organically and really take care of the their food," he said.

There have been a few hurdles along the way. Jill and Jeff, who both work at Tsyunhehkw^, were traveling back to Wisconsin from New Mexico on the first day of the challenge.

"I was thinking before that it was going to be really easy because of all the foods that were local in New Mexico which I'm familiar with, but it was trickier than I thought," said Jill who lived in New Mexico for five years.

The two were able to purchase tamales from a street vendor who was very knowledgeable about the ingredients.

"The woman could answer every question (Jeff) had about it, which is really impressive, because that means there is an awareness people have," she said.

Paul had his own stumbling block when an Oneida Business Committee (OBC) meeting went long and the group ordered pizza.

"I must have walked past that table six times," said Paul who is a Councilman on the OBC.

However, Paul learned from the experience. When he and Patti, who is the OBC Secretary, had to attend a luncheon meeting at the Radisson Inn Hotel, the two brought their own food and arranged for the chef to prepare it for them.

Paul and Jill find that having to think about where their food is coming from and when and how to prepare it has slowed down the pace of their lives.

"We're real diligent about trying to get home early enough to prepare a meal, and prepare it slowly, and to enjoy that," said Paul. "And then to be able to set the table and have a great conversation between Jill and my father is one of the best things out of this whole challenge."

"(I've been) looking back to how things used to be prepared, because that's what this is all about, is reaching back and looking at what resources we have locally with in our selves personally, and our family and then within our community," said Jill.

While the local food challenge isn't about weight loss, Paul lost 16 pounds within 20 days.

"I don't want to focus on the weight loss part, but that's a result, that's a reality. I'm realizing how much I was consuming before and needing less." said Jill who has also slimmed down on the diet.

Paul and Jill are hoping to restart the local food challenge next spring and carry it through the fall season.

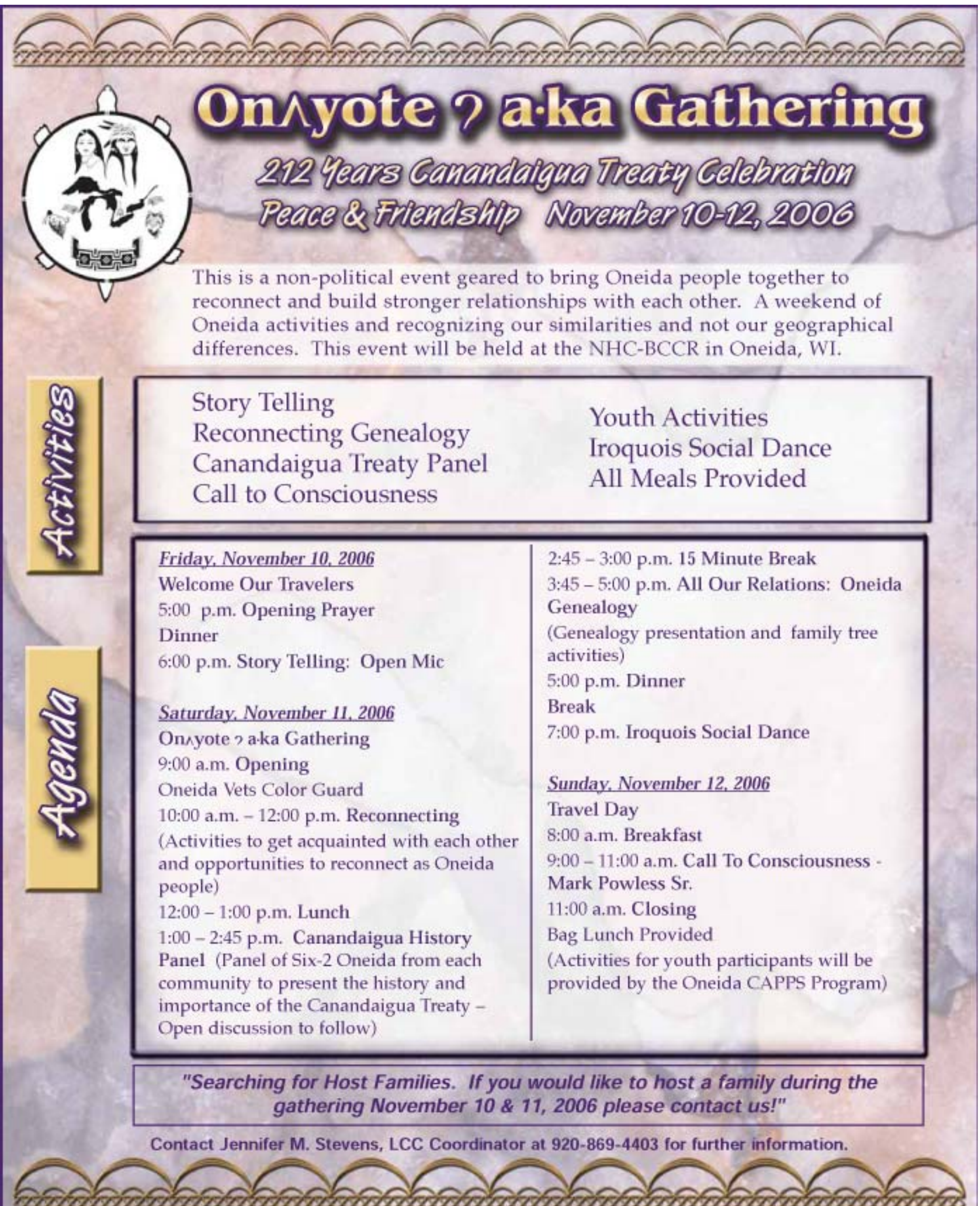
"We ate almost everything that was salvageable out of our garden already, but next year we're going to do a lot better job of prepping our own garden, taking care of that and going through the whole canning process," said Paul.

They hope to bring others on to the 100 mile diet challenge and inspire debate on the importance of locally produced foods, especially traditional staples such as corn, beans and squash.

"Looking at the picture where in the history, the worst times that have happened is when the food supply was gone," said Jill. "Look at what happened when George Washington burned all the corn fields, all the food. The people became dependent."

Jill noted that "If you're not in control of your food system, you're not in control, and history shows that."

Paul and Jill plan on traveling to Turin, Italy to wrap up their experience at the Slow Foods Conference at the end of October.



Thunderhawk Times

Billy Mills Perspective



Kali Photo/ Steven J. Gandy

Billy Mills speaks at a rally before the Gard - Kegan Debate on last Monday.

By Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

I had the pleasure to interview Billy Mills, who is the only American to have won the 10,000 meter run in the Tokyo Olympics Games in 1964. He is now a national spokesman that encourages young Native American children with his message based on character, dignity, and pride.

I asked hin what his view on politics was, he said, "We as Native Americans exist in America under a form of limited form of quasi apartheid, taxation without representation." He thinks that we don't get enough representation as a tribal nation.

I asked him how he felt about the war in Iraq, he said, "It does nobody any good to dwell on how we got there. What do we do, because we're already there? We need to have a time frame for withdrawal without publicizing it." He thinks by the US being in Iraq it has stopped Alqaeda from attacking the US.

I asked him how he feels about George Bush. He thinks that question is a form of character assassination and that it can effect us greatly. He doesn't like some of the things he does, but he said, "When 911 hit I was glad George Bush was in office."

I asked why it is important for people to vote, especially Native Americans. He told me that the when the Native Americans signed the Treaties with the US it changed our entire way of life, we weren't allowed to vote for years. Now that we can vote, we need to take advantage of it, because it is making America change for the better.

I asked him, "You're an Olympic Medalist, how do you see our role in the world? He said, "We are one country out of about one-hundred-and-ninety-three countries in the world. Because of sport, I can go to almost any one of those countries and have a friend."

The last question I asked Billy Mills was, "What do you think us as kids can do to get involved in politics?" He said that we need to educate ourselves on the political issues, and we need to educate others like our elders and our community, we need to prepare to vote, and we need to learn critical thinking.

U.S. and State Races–2006

By Nick Cantu

Position	Democratic	Republican
US Senate	Herb Kohl	Robert Gerald Lorge
Governor	Jim Doyle	Mark Green
Lt. Governor	Barbara C. Lawton	Jean Hundertmark
Attorney General	Kathleen Falk	Paul E. Bucher
Secretary of State	Doug La Follette	Sandy Sullivan
State Treasure	Dawn Marie Sass	Jack C. Voight
US Congress D1	Jeffrey C. Thomas	Paul Ryan
US Congress D2	Tammy Baldwin	Dave Magnum
US Congress D3	Ron Kind	Paul R. Nelson
US Congress D4	Gwen Moore	Perfecto Rivera
US Congress D5	Bryan Kennedy	F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr
US Congress D6	Tom Petri	
US Congress D7	David R. Obey	Nick Reid
US Congress D8	Steven L. Kagen	John Gard

Packers Win Off "Bye-Week"

By Andrew Sitting Bear
ONHS senior

As I predicted, the Packers beat the Miami Dolphins. Next up, a win over the Arizona Cardinals.

The Pack's win on Sunday was tight as heck. There were some nice pass receptions by their young players, including Ruval Martin and Chris Frances. The rookies in the offensive line did pretty well, too.

Brett Favre is having a good season and this may be his last year. A. J. Hawk is a good young rookie.

Some might say that a win over the Dolphins was to be expected. But I say, "you gotta go what you gotta go." In other words, you have to play the team on your list.

So far, the season is going just as I predicted. The Pack should pick up a few wins over the next few weeks. I think they're going to surprise some people before it's all over. I'm still looking at a record of 9 and 7.

Political rally, debate catch my interest

By Nick Cantu
ONHS junior

When I got to the Radisson and into the room I knew it was going to be interesting because I got to meet an Native American Olympic champion Bobby Mills. He was cool and I also got to hear a guy named Joe Garcia, president of the Native American Congress, who make a speech that was interesting.

Then, candidate Steve Kagen came walking through and stopped to introduce himself to all the students. I thought that was pretty cool of him because he didn't talk to us like he would all political. He talked about sports and stuff like that.

Then came debate of John Gard and Dr. Steve Kagen. Their speeches were good because they kept on cutting on each other. I thought that was funny when they would do that. Kagen didn't do the best at this, Gard was better, I thought. But Kagen got Gard on some of the questions.

Then, at the end, Kagen shook our hands again and even took pictures with Sean, Frank, Lance and me. So that was cool. We tried to go talk to John Gard, but he turned his back to us, so we just walked away.



Kali Photo/ Steven J. Gandy

Students form ONHS watch during Mondays political debate

Wrestling "soap opera for men?"

By Russell Means, ONHS senior and Denis Gullickson, THT advisor

It's the age-old battle between right and wrong, good and evil. Some call it "soap opera for men." It's the biggest show in sports entertainment. It's big-time wrestling.

Does wrestling still matter? Did it ever? Yes!

Back in Denis' day, wrestling was a black and white show on Saturday nights. The winners were always predictable. It was always a big buy who was supposed to win against a little guy who was supposed to lose.

And every match went pretty much the same. The little guy would get beat up, then the little guy would get a few licks in and the big guy would act like he might lose, then the big guy would beat the heck out of the little guy and the match would be over.

Nowadays wrestling is still going strong. The plot has changed, however. There's more superstars coming in and they tend to wrestle each other, so the outcome is less certain.`

There's even a wrestler from Northeast Wisconsin, Ken Kennedy. Kennedy held the World Heavyweight belt for a short time, but now it's back around the waist of Booker T.

There are two wrestling shows that matter, Raw on Monday nights and Smack Down on Friday nights. Both are part of the McMahon Empire.

If you want to see wrestling in real life, you can always go to Green Bay's Resch Center where there's at least one match a year. These events are well advertised.

Wrestling also has a lot of sex appeal these days. It's got Divas who parade around the ring and some female wrestlers who can actually wrestle! It's all eye-candy for the guys. Sometimes the girls actually get in the way of the wrestling, but most guys don't seem to mind, just the hard-core wrestling fans.

So, does wrestling still matter? Watch Raw or Smackdown, or better yet, go to the next match at the Resch. You won't be disappointed.

My Scoop

Homecoming - How much is too much?

By Denis Gullickson, THT advisor

Each fall, homecoming week is a time for celebrating school spirit and pride in being an ONHS Thunderhawk. Halls are decorated, classes compete in games and school spirit, and people who hold stock in the toilet paper companies watch their portfolios spike upward.

Toilet papering the trees in front of the homes of classmates and teachers and in front of the school is a part of the celebration.

But at what point does innocent toilet papering cross the line and become out and out vandalism? And at what point does school spirit get lost in the process? I"d say that's when eggs and so on are involved.

When it comes to athletics, few people have made the contribution to ONHS that my colleague, Lance Kelley, has. Yet, Lance's house and yard were targeted for what would seem to be some mean-spirited, not school-spirited, activities during Homecoming Week. Whether you agree with all the decisions Lance has made over the years as Athletic Director or not, you have to admit that he has helped ONHS grow–as a teacher and as an A.D.

This isn't a call to stamp out good-natured homecoming celebration. It's just a request for those who participate to consider the line between what's in good fun and what's too much. And that's true throughout the community, at everyone's house and the school. Otherwise, what happens is what has happened elsewhere–homecoming activities get cut off altogether. That would be too bad.

What's cooking at ONHS?

By Twyla Danforth, ONHS senior

On Thursday, September 14, ONHS had a prayer for our food from Randy Hill.

It was part of celebrating bringing indigenous foods back into our diet.

That day, ONHS staff and students, community members and other staff from the building, came down to eat buffalo beef tips from the Oneida Nation Farms over noodles. Many people seemed to like, while others didn't eat at all.

Still, the new meals and the focus on healthier eating aren't popular with all ONHS students.

"There were a lot of students complaining about the food," said an ONHS student. "We use to get 2 slices of pizza, but now we only get one," said another student.

The ladies who work in the lunch room say they have thought for a long time about bringing more healthy foods back into the students diet.

So far, the emphasis on healthier, indigenous foods seems to be okay with students, though not everyone is happy with the meals everyday.

Packers Continue to Tweak Roster

By Randall Danforth, ONHS sophomore

The Green Bay Packers are the youngest team in the NFL. With a win over Miami, some think the team has turned the corner and will start winning.

It's interesting to look at some of the players that have been cut or traded over the past couple of years.

You can decide for yourself if the loss of these players has helped or hurt the team. Here are some of those players and the team they are with now.

Grady Jackson	**Falcons**
Joey Thomas	**Saints**
Mike Mckenzie	**Saints**
Amhad Carroll	**Jaguars**
Samkon Gado	**Texans**
Ryan Longwell	**Vikings**
Darren Sharper	**Vikings**
Javon Walker	**Broncos**
Craig Nall	**Bills**



Immigration

By Eldon Powless, ONHS sophomore

I think they should just leave the immigrants alone. There is always going to be illegal immigrants. So why waste all this money on building a fence to cover the border? People can climb a fence and they can dig under it or cut through the fence.

Let's Hear It for Oneida Language and Culture at ONHS

By Twyla Danforth, ONHS senior

The idea of the Oneida language and culture, is that we keep it as long as we can. Unfortunately, I think the value to the students isn't really that great. If it was, they would be taking it seriously by sitting up in class, paying attention, and by asking lots and lots of questions.

Sonny Hill teaching the Oneida Language and Culture classes for the past few years has been really great, because he has taught us many different things such as: Thanksgiving Address, importance of the ceremonies, love and respect, and etc.

I think that if we were to have language and culture all year around for the full four years of high school, we would know a lot and would be able to have a conversation in the language.

Education

Fellowship Opportunity

White House Fellowship Program

Eligibility:
Applicant must be a U.S. citizen early in his/her career seeking the opportunity for direct participation in the work of the federal government. Fellows are drawn from all sectors (federal employees are ineligible, except for career military personnel of the armed services) and are assigned as assistants to the Vice President, a Cabinet member, or the President's staff. The President's Commission also provides an educational program for the fellows.

Selection Criteria:
Criteria include achievement, intellectual ability, evidence of leadership, and community involvement. Amount unlisted.

Deadline: November 15.

Contact:
President's Commission on White House Fellowships, 712 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-4522

Investing in the future…





Kali photo (Left)/Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kali photo (Bottom)/Steve Gandy

Left, Lannoye Elementary Principal Tammy Lipsey accepted a $500 award from Michele King, Area Manager for Oneida Retail. At bottom, Lori Vanhandel accepted the grant for Little Chute Middle School. Both presentations were held on Wednesday, October 25.

(Right) L to R Julie Van Cuyk, Tracy Schmidt, Lori Van Handel, Darious Parks Patti Beltz, Nikol Waters, Jenny Merryfield, Bruce Kettner and Molly Hron help in accepting the grant from Michele King at Little Chute Middle School

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

Lannoye Elementary and Little Chute Middle School are the recipients of a $500 grant courtesy of the ExxonMobil Educational Alliance and sponsorships from the Oneida Casino Travel Center located in Pulaski and the Oneida One Stop Westwind. The Educational Alliance provides Mobil retailers the opportunity to invest in the future of local communities by supporting educational initiatives.

"The importance of securing any funds for schools from our locations, is a quick turn around," explained Angela Moore, Oneida Retail. Unfortunately, lobbying efforts at two local schools in Oneida were ineffective.

According to Moore, there were 4,000 grants available across the country this school year.

Lannoye Elementary plans to use the grant towards a Literacy Program, while Little Chute Middle School will utilize the monies towards a new Bullying Prevention program.

Task Force studies lump sum payment plan for youth

Submitted by Justine Souto
Community Partnership Coordinator

Parents hope for the best when their youth turn 18 years old. Even so, many parents see their young adults make mistakes with their educational, employment, and financial planning.

The Oneida Trust/ Enrollment Committee (OTC) formed a task force to study the question of how lump sum payments affect our youth. The "Minors Laddered Pay out Task Force," is considering ways to encourage youth to make better plans for their lump sum trust fund distribution (which is made up of all of their per capita distributions plus interest). So far, the task force has met four times and plans to seek comments and opinions from the membership about this idea.

The concept of "laddered payouts," is similar to installment payments. It's a series of principal and interest payments made over a period of time, according to the Stable Value Investment Association (http://www.stablevalue.org). Steps can be taken to create a payout schedule that would benefit young adults over a longer period of time.

Several issues prompted OTC to form the Task Force. One of the main issues is that many of the youth are spending their lump sum payments within two weeks. Another problem is a possible trend of higher drop-out rates from high school caused by lump sum payments made in the middle of the school year. A third issue is the lack of financial planning many youth are showing with their lump sum payments. At the same time, Good Mind Great Future committee members' expressed their concerns of the large lump sum payments contributing to risky behavior such as underage drinking and truancy during the middle of the school year.

From 'have not' to the 'have a lot'

"We're slowly shifting from the generation who didn't have a financial (leg up in life), to the generation who will start off having financial advantages and opportunities," said Lisa Summers, a member of the Task Force.

"So, it's very important for our youth to gain financial planning education," she said.

This is especially important for the younger ones who will see lump sum distributions of more than $10,000 in the future, she added. That amount of money can have an impact upon their lives. It wasn't so bad when, several years ago, our youth were only getting $3,000.00 payments.

The Task Force is looking at ways to help teens and their families make better choices of how to handle their lump sum distribution. They're looking at several plans that are beginning to take shape.

Exploring options for lump sum payments

One of the ideas is to change the time frame of the payout, so that it's not in the middle of the school year. If the payment is made in the spring, there might be better chances that our youth remain in high school, rather than become distracted from their education by the large payout.

"All the things that affect a person when they receive a sudden, large amount of money also happens to our youth when they get their lump sum payments," according to Summers.

A second idea is to require that the youth either graduate from high school, or get an HSED or GED certificate before they can receive their lump sum payment. If they don't do either of these things, then the plan is to set a default age of 21 or 25 years before they can receive their trust distribution.

A third idea is to allow the youth to choose to leave all or a portion of their lump sum money in the Minor's Trust Fund where it will continue to earn interest for them. If the teen chooses to leave their payment in the Trust Fund until they reach an educational goal, like an Associate, Bachelor, Master, or Doctorate degree, the Tribe will match their payout by a certain amount.

"We know that higher education isn't for everybody. But, we're hoping that people will at least try a one-year or a two-year certificate program before getting their payment," Summers said.

One thing to remember, she added, is that they're only talking about the money in the Minor's Trust Fund. The young adults will receive their yearly per capita payments just as any other adult in the tribe does. The laddered payout schedule would only apply to the funds that have been saved and invested for them in the Minor's Trust Fund.

It is the Task Force's hope that a laddered payout schedule will reduce the negative impacts upon our youth in the future, and that the social issues or problems some have encountered will be corrected by this plan.

Phases of the Task Force's study

Once the Task Force completes their study, they'll present their recommendations to the OTC. From there, the OTC will decide the next steps. Before any action is taken on the Task Force's recommendations, the OTC would seek comments and opinions from the general membership.

In the meantime, any tribal member is welcome to comment on this idea. Leland Fulwilder, Trust Accounts Officer, is developing a survey to seek the input of community members.

If you would like to contribute your thoughts and ideas to the Task Force, please feel free to send Leland an email, or call him, and give him your contact information for the survey at: **lfulwild@oneidanation.org** His phone number is **(920) 490-3935** in the Oneida Trust

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Payment plan

Date set for Silver Lake College information session at Oneida CEC

(Manitowoc, Wis.) — Thinking about going back to college? Come to an information session and find out how you can get your degree in as little as two and a half years. A Silver Lake College representative will be available every second and fourth Thursday of each month at the Oneida Community Education Center in Green Bay for a series of information sessions aimed at answering questions about the college. The next installments of the series will take place on November 9 and November 23 from 5:30 – 6:30 PM. Topics will include not only the more than two dozen undergraduate majors leading to a bachelor's degree, but also the four graduate level programs, adult accelerated programs, teacher certification and licensure offerings, on and off campus delivery options, and financial aid availability.

"This is a chance for prospective students to have one-on-one interaction with a knowledgeable counselor to find out more about the College's programs and offerings," according to Dr. George Grinde Vice President and Academic Dean at SLC.

Register online for a session near you at **www.sl.edu.** If you are unable to attend and would like more information on the program offerings at Silver Lake College, contact the **SLC Admissions Office at 2406 S. Alverno Rd., Manitowoc, WI 54220.** Call **920/686-6175** or **1/800-236-4SLC, ext. 175. Email admslc@silver.sl.edu**

Oneida Nation Community Education Center

November Computer Classes Announced

Submitted by Bob O'Donnell
CEC Computer Instructor

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced their November schedule of computer classes. Classes are free for all tribal members and employees, and are held in modern computer classrooms at our location at 2632 South Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced computer software training in Microsoft, Corel and Adobe applications, the Community Education Center also now offers classes for those new to computer technology who would like to learn more about computer use either for work or home.

Among the classes offered are "Computer for Beginners" which is scheduled to begin on Monday, November 6. This three-session class provides those who have little or no prior computer experience with a basic understanding of how to use computers.

A class on improving typing and keyboard skills using award-winning Mavis Beacon software will begin on Tuesday, November 14. Those wishing to improve their typing skills or speed can participate in the class or work at their own pace to learn typing basics and computer keyboards.

In November, the Community Education Center also offers two sessions of a class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows XP" and a class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Internet Explorer." The Internet Explorer class provides students with a basic understanding of how to safely navigate the Internet, and use search engines to find useful information.

For those looking to learn "basic word processing" for work or home use, an introductory class in Corel WordPerfect is scheduled to begin on Thursday, November 2. An introductory class on Microsoft Word will begin on Monday, November 20. Both classes will provide students with an understanding how to use computers to type letters, resumes, reports and more.

Those needing to learn how to create and use computer spreadsheets can attend an introductory class on Microsoft Excel starting on Monday, November 6, or a class on Corel Quattro Pro beginning on Thursday, November 2. An eight-week class how to use of QuickBooks software for small business accounting will begin on Thursday, November 2.

Also in November, the Community Education Center will offer classes on Microsoft PowerPoint, Corel Presentations, and Microsoft Access. In addition to their regular classes, one-on-one training and personal assistance is available by appointment during our regular business hours.

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center is open Monday thru Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Friday and on Saturday, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. beginning October 3, 2006. For more information on computer classes, software use training or computer assistance, contact the ONCEC by calling **496-7860**.

Small business workshop to begin

By Bob O'Donnell
CEC Instructor

For those interested in starting their own business, the Oneida Nation Community Education Center and Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council will be offering the "The Spirit Inside – First Steps" training workshop beginning on November 7.

The workshop consists of four sessions and are free for all tribal members and employees.

This course is taught via distance learning, and includes sessions on testing business ideas, financial considerations. Each session is approximately 90-minutes in length. The completed workbook will serve as your outline in the creation of a business plan.

In addition to the training workshops, the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council will also offer a free, business seminar from noon to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, November 8. The speaker will be Tom Ourada, a revenue tax specialist with the Wisconsin Department of Revenue. His topic will be "Revenue Reporting in Indian Country."

On December, 13, there will be a lunchtime presentation entitled, "Taxes–On and Off the Reservation" by Sheila Z. Siegel, a senior tax specialist with the Wisconsin Department of Internal Revenue Service.

For more information on small business training and seminars at the ONCEC, contact the Center by calling **496-7860**.

Health

Health Center Plans Community Meeting

The Oneida Community Health Center will be hosting its next Community Informational Meeting on Tuesday, November 14 in the Main Conference Room at the Health Center, 525 Airport Drive, Oneida. Through a GTC proposal, the Health Center staff was to hold 5 meetings in 2006. According to Dr. Ravi Vir, Medical Director, the meetings will continue into 2007 but will be held quarterly.

The Health Center staff is looking for positive suggestion on improvements and service. We want to assure the community their input is important to us. In the past, customer service has been an issue and training has begun in that area. As we move into 2007, we would like to move into a mode of learning. The community learning what the Health Center has to offer and the Health Center staff learning what the community needs.

In order to show the community what service the Health Center has to offer, informational tables will be set up before the community meeting from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Each department will be available to hand out educational material and answer questions. Departments include: Dental, Optical, WIC/Nutrition, Billing, Contract Health, Community Health, Behavioral Health and Medical. The Community Health area has many different services within their department. Some of the Community Health services include: immunization, transportation, communicable diseases, foot care, and Head Start.

Mark you calendar now for the next Community Informational meeting. Information tables will be set up from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The meeting is from 5:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

Diabesity: *Going from Overweight to Diabetes*

Submitted by Tina Jacobsen
Dietetic Intern, University of Delaware

Type 2 diabetes is no longer known as a "Adult Onset" for a reason. More and more children are developing diabetes which ends up robbing their health. Essentially, your child's life expectancy could be shorter than yours!

What could possibly be the reason for this...being overweight, especially with accumulation of excess amounts of body fat around the abdomen. It is not uncommon for teenagers weighing 200 or 300 pounds with blood sugar levels that are abnormally high to walk into clinics on a daily basis.

The change from home-cooked meals to fast food and playing for hours at the park to video games has taken decades to contribute to this issue. These and many more factors have resulted in Diabesity: diabetes and obesity. Both serious health conditions have continued to increase year after year leading to the focus of management and prevention strategies among health and wellness groups across the nation.

Research on genetics, drug therapies, and lifestyles (diet and exercise therapies) target the prevention and management of diabesity. However, research alone is not going to prevent your child from a diabetes diagnosis. You can reduce childhood overweight and prevent diabetes in just three ways:

#1. Chow down on good-for-you foods.

- Try to eat foods that are low in fat, but high in nutrients.
- Try including whole grain cereals and breads, fruits, vegetables, milk, yogurt, and lean meats to your daily food choices.

#2. Limit fast food and sugary drinks.

- Eating too much fat and sugar can make you overweight.
- Try limiting fatty fast foods, fried chips, sugary sodas, and fruit drinks.

#3. Get Up & Get MOVING.

- Staying active is a better choice than watching TV or playing video games.
- Try walking a dog, running around the yard, playing soccer with some friends, or jumping rope.

More information about diabesity can be found at **www.shapeup.org/diabesity.html.**

Safety first for Halloween: *"Tricks" on How to Make Halloween a "Treat"*

MADISON–With Halloween around the corner, state health officials are reminding parents, children and homeowners to include safety in the night of fun.

"During all Halloween events, it is important to put safety first," said Sheri Johnson, PhD, State Health officer. "If everyone follows some basic safety tips, everyone can enjoy a safe and memorable Halloween."

Here are a few ways to make the trick-or-treating experience an enjoyable one:

Costume Safety

- Costumes that are light-colored are more visible to motorists.
- Use reflective tape to decorate costumes and candy bags so it's easier for drivers to see children.
- Use make-up rather than a mask; if your child's costume does include a mask, make sure it fits snugly and that the eyeholes are large enough to allow full vision.
- To help prevent trips and falls, wear well-fitting, sturdy shoes and keep costumes short enough so that a child will not trip on the bottom.
- Choose costume accessories that are made of soft and flexible material.
- Costumes should be made of flame-retardant material.
- Do not use novelty contacts such as "cat eyes" or "snake eyes."

Pedestrian Safety

- Trick-or-treating in the daylight is best. Otherwise, use reflective tape on customs and candy bags.
- Children should be accompanied by a responsible adult who has a flashlight. Flashlights or chemical light sticks help children be seen by motorists.
- Remind children to walk, not run, and to only cross streets at crosswalks.

Halloween Home Safety

- Remove obstacles from your lawn, porch, or steps if you are expecting trick-or-treaters.
- Make sure your front porch is well-lit.
- Avoid using candle-lit jack-o-lanterns if possible. If you do use candles, don't place them near curtains, furnishings, or decorations. Move them off porches where children's costumes may ignite.
- Keep your pets in another room when you are expecting trick-or-treaters.
- Small children should draw designs on pumpkins and leave the carving to the adults.

Parents should remind children not to eat any treats until they return home where an adult will inspect all items. Anything that appears to be tampered with or unwrapped should be thrown away. Plus, parents should also discard any candy or small toys that are inappropriate for their child's age that could become a choking hazard.

Community Flu Shot Clinic Schedule

We will **NOT** be holding flu clinics during our Tuesday walk-in immunization clinics. Please refer to the dates and times listed.

Feel free to call the Oneida Community Health Nursing Department at 869-4840 with further questions.

DATE	TIME
Friday – Nov. 3, 2006	*9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*
Wed. – Nov. 8, 2006	*11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.*
Wed. – Nov. 15, 2006	*3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.*
Wed.– Nov. 29, 2006	*7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.*

Community Flu clinic is located at:
ONEIDA ***Community Health Center***
525 Airport Drive
Oneida, Wisconsin

News from the Division of Land Management

Dream Home Open Houses

Application Deadline: Tuesday, November 14, 2006 • 4:30 P.M.

Tuesday, November 7, 2006
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Wednesday, November 8, 2006
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM



2420 Oakwood Dr. • Green Bay, WI 54313

This home is approximately 35 years old with an effective age of 10 years, and offers 2,120 square feet of living space. This is a 2 story home with an attached 2.5 car garage, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a 2nd floor sitting area. Special features: Dishwasher, garbage disposal, central air, hardwood floors in the living room and a large deck off the dining room. New features: Roof, siding, windows and garage doors. Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$2,841.00** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$140,000.00	5% Down Payment:	$ 7,000.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 7,000.00	Closing Costs:	$ 2,450.00
Mortgage Loan:	**$133,000.00**	**Cash Due at Closing:**	**$ 9,450.00**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($133,000.00 amortized for 30 yrs. @ 3%): $ 560.73
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $ 234.82
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$ 795.55**

Directions to home: From Land Management, take Highway 172 East to Packerland Drive. Turn left onto Packerland Drive. Take Packerland Drive North to Oakwood Drive. Turn right onto Oakwood Drive, the home will be on the left hand side.



161 Riverdale Drive • Oneida, WI 54155

This one story home is approximately 50 years old with an effective age of 10 years. The home offers 1,008 square feet of living space. This is a 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom home with an detached 1-stall garage. Special features include new siding, carpet, and central air. Amenities include master bedroom and bathroom handicap accessible.

Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$1,461.00** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$81,425.00	5% Down Payment:	$4,075.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 4,075.00	Closing Costs:	$1,611.38
Mortgage Loan:	**$77,425.00**	**Cash Due At Closing:**	**$5,686.38**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($77,000.00 amortized for 25 yrs. @ 3%): $367.16
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $ 41.86
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$409.02**

Directions to home: Follow Highway 172 West to Highway 54. Turn left on Highway 54 continue on Highway 54 to Seminary Road. Turn right on Seminary Road, which turns into Service Road. Continue on Service Road to County J or Riverdale Drive, continue North on Riverdale Drive, and the home will be on the right hand side.



N6433 County Road E • Oneida, WI 54155

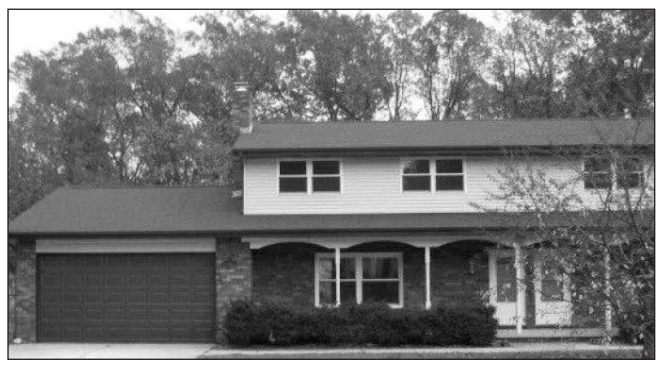
This ranch home is approximately 10 years old with an effective age of 5 years. The home offers 1,248 square feet of living space. This home has 3 bedrooms and 1 bathroom with an attached 2-stall garage. Home needs some updating.

Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$1,472.00** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$ 60,000.00	5% Down Payment:	$ 3,000.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 3,000.00	Closing Costs:	$ 1,305.00
Mortgage Loan:	**$ 57,000.00**	**Cash Due At Closing:**	**$ 4,305.00**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($ 57,000.00 amortized for 25 yrs. @ 3%): $ 270.30
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $ 141.91
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$ 412.21**

Directions to home: Follow Highway 172 West to County E/Freedom Road, turn left on County E/Freedom Road and continue south about three miles to the home. The house is on the right side of the road.



1965 Belmont Drive • Green Bay, WI 54313

This 1/2 of a duplex is approximately 25 years old with an effective age of 15 years and offers 1,508 square feet of living space. This is a two story home with an attached 2 car garage, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bathrooms and a family room. Special features: Dishwasher, garbage disposal, central air, fireplace, patio and a fence.

Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of **$2,124.00** are encouraged to apply.

Estimated Selling Price:	$100,000.00	5% Down Payment:	$5,000.00
Minimum 5% Down Payment:	$ 5,000.00	Closing Costs:	$1,875.00
Mortgage Loan:	**$ 95,000.00**	**Cash Due At Closing:**	**$6,875.00**

Est. Monthly Mortgage Payment: ($76,000.00 amortized for 25 yrs. @ 3%): $450.50
Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Payment: $144.21
Est. Total Monthly Payment: (homeowner's ins. escrow payment not included): **$594.71**

Directions to home: From Land Management take Hwy 172 East to Packerland Dr., turn left on Packerland Drive. From Packerland turn right on Zak Avenue. From Zak Avenue take a left on Belmont Drive. The house will be on the right hand side of the street.

Flyers will also be listed on the Intranet.

For further information, contact the Finance Department at (920) 869-1690, **470 Airport Drive • Oneida, WI 54155**
or go to... http://land.oneidanation.org

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

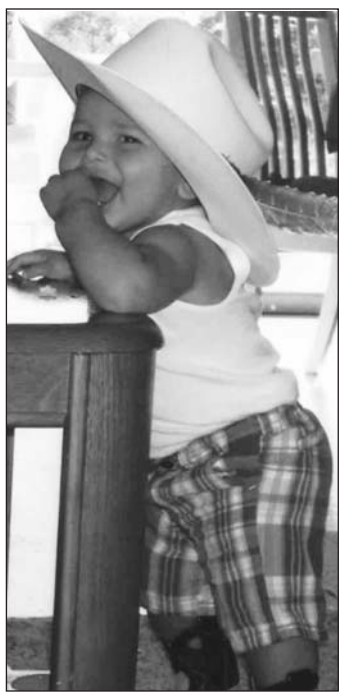
Dockie Doc Doxtator

Dockie Doc Doxtator, newborn son to Phillip Doxtator and Mary Polar, was born on Saturday, October 14, 2006 at Aurora Bay Care Medical Center, Green Bay at 9:20 p.m. He weighed 7 lbs., 11 oz., and measured 20.25" inches in length. The proud maternal grandparent is Kathleen Polar of Green Bay and great-grandmother, Leona John of Oneida. Maternal grandfather was the late Frank Polar. Paternal grandmother was the late Sandra Lee Doxtator.

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Madden Lee Skenandore



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Grandma & Grandpa Skenandore

Happy 10th Birthday

Shandra!
Hey Beautiful! I can't believe my baby squirrel is gonna be **10** already!
Happy Birthday, Bunny!



❤ Love you! XOXO ❤
Mom, Dad, Hyason & Shalliyah

Congratulations

MISS HASKELL RASCAL



❤ Jossalyn ❤
We are proud of you!
Love & Miss You…
Great Grandma Leone, Grandma Sharon, and all your House Aunties, Uncles, and Cousins

Happy 10th Birthday

on October 31st
❤ Love You **Shandra!**



❤ Love…Grandpa, Corey, Kyle, Heidi Jo, Holly & family, Guillie & Arianna

Congratulations

Jossalyn Metoxen
on winning
Miss Haskell Rascal 2006!
You did a great job and we are very proud of you!



Love Always…
Mom, Dad, & Baby Brother-Loh^tiyo

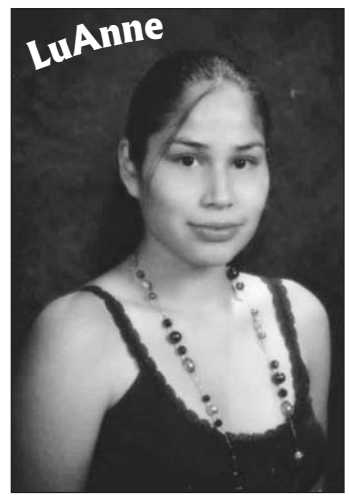
Happy Birthday

RaeAnn & LuAnne
Happy 17th Birthday Twices…
on October 30th!
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At 3 years old…





And today at 17 years old!
With Love from the Funmaker Family

Happy Birthday



to two very "Special Nieces" on October 31st!
Daylanne & Sequoyah

I hope you both have a 'Spook-tacular' Day!
Love Always…Auntie Von, Kirby, cousins Rob, Kristi, Trevor, Liana & Carmella

To our readers…

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November 1st, 2006
@ 4:30 P.M. with a
PUBLISH DATE
of…**Thursday,**
November 9th, 2006
Questions, please call: **920-869-4280, 4279** or **4277**
Toll Free:
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ext. 4277, 4279 or 4280

YAWÁKO…

Donors for Oneida Foster Parent Recognition

The Oneida Child Protective Board would like to extend a sincere Yaw^ko for the generous donations for the "Oneida Foster Parent Recognition". Our Oneida foster parents were presented with gifts of appreciation provided by the following donors:

- **Oneida AMVETS**
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Also, Yaw^ko to Oneida Kalihwisaks for their article on the "Foster Parent Recognition".

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Committee Vacancies

Oneida Audit Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall be a member of the Oneida Tribe
– Shall not be an employee of the Oneida Tribe
– Shall have knowledge, skills and experience of the Tribe

Members shall adhere to all Tribal laws, codes, policies and procedures with the strictest confidentiality

Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee:
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications:
– Must be a member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin who have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United Sates of America Honorable Service.

Qualifications shall also include the following:
1. Honorable Service
a) A person who has been inducted into or voluntarily entered into active duty in one of the service branches and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch due to "less than honorable conditions"
b) Active duty is having served 181 days or more of continuous duty unless discharged early for a service-related disability
c) Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has complete at least six years in the reserves or National Guard or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability
2. Shall be a citizen of good standing
3. Shall serve a full term of 3 years (Ending November of third year)

Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Personnel Commission:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
– The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two (2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community members
– Shall serve a full term of 3 years.

The membership may not be such that a conflict of interest or nepotism is created as

Committee Vacancies

defined in these by-laws: A. Nepotism is created by the following relationships: father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, daughter, son father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other. B. conflict of interest is a conflict between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. A or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.

Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Pow Wow Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall serve a three (3) year term
– May be required to perform the supervisory duties in regard to a Pow Wow.

Closing date of October 30, 2006

Please drop off applications at Oneida Business Committee temporary location at the OLC Building, 2640 West Point Rd, Green Bay. The applications may also be inter-officed or mailed to:

Oneida Business Committee
Attn: Boards, Committees & Commissions
P.O. Box 365
Oneida WI 54115

If you have any further questions contact our office at (920) 869-4364 or e-mail at lelm@oneidanation.org

Miss Oneida Committee:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
– Shall serve a two (2) year term
– Shall be an enrolled Oneida citizen

Closing date of October 30, 2006

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Kalihwiyose
WPNE 89.3
Thursdays
10:00PM to midnight

Board Vacancy

Oneida Housing Authority (OHA):
Two (2) Vacancies
Qualifications:
a. A board member may be a member or non-member of the Tribe.
b. No person shall be barred from serving on the Board because he/she is a tenant or homebuyer in a housing project of the Authority
c. Full term of office of 4 years.

Purpose:
The Oneida Housing Authority shall be organized and operated for the purpose of:
1. Remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals;
2. Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for person of low income;
3. Providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement extension, alteration or repair and operation of low income dwellings.

Closing date of October 30, 2006

Oneida Library Board:
One (1) Vacancy
Qualifications:
a. Shall serve a three (3) year term
b. Must be on the official roll of the Oneida Nation of Indians of Wisconsin and eligible to vote
c. Shall be a patron of the Oneida Community Library who is on the official patron list of the Oneida Community Library
d. Shall, as part of the board, monitor and advise programs, services and acquisitions of the print and non-print materials provided to library clientele.

Closing date of November 13, 2006

Divorce For Women
Atty. Jim Lewis
Howard 434-2777

Setting up a new business?
It's hassle-free and easy with our help.
Atty. Jim Lewis
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Selling Your Home of Land?
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Legal Notice

Oneida Appeals Commission
Original Hearing Body

Notice of Probate

RE: 06-TC-092, In The Matter of The Estate of **David "Joker" Moore**, Deceased

The estate of deceased **David "Joker" Moore**, who is an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation, has entered into probate before a hearing body of the Oneida Appeals Commission.

A hearing shall take place on **November 14, 2006, at 9:00 a.m.** for all heirs and parties-in-interest to the estate at the Commission's office located at: 3759 W. Mason Street, Ridgeview Plaza, Suite #1, Oneida, WI 54155.

Inquiries for additional information may be directed to:**Administrator/Clerk**
Oneida Appeals Commission
P.O. Box 19
Oneida, WI 54155
(920) 497-5800

Coaching Positions

Girls Basketball Assistant Coach

A coaching position as a assistant coach for the girls basketball team is available at the Oneida Nation High School. The season will begin November 6, 2006 until March, 2007. Practices from 3:30-5:30, M-Fr.

If interested, please submit a resume and letter of interest to: **Lance Kelley, located at the Oneida Nation High School, by Nov. 1st.**

Business Opportunity

New Web site promotes Minority Business Enterprise Program

•Provides information and opportunities to qualified minority–owned businesses interested in selling their goods and services to WisDOT

•Suppliers and vendors can now go online to reference detailed information regarding the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) program. Visitors can easily find out

•what commodities WisDOT routinely purchases,
•who to contact,
•how to use the state's VendorNet system,
•how to become a Wisconsin-certified MBE, and more!

"We are very excited about the development of this site," says Division of Business Management Administrator Brenda Brown. "Our goal is to provide a one-stop shop, where minority-owned businesses can efficiently and easily access the information they need to get started in selling their goods and services to the department. We welcome all potential vendors who can fulfill our purchasing and technology requirements, on a competitive basis, to introduce their businesses to us."

WisDOT is committed to the development of significant and mutually beneficial relationships with minority-owned businesses that can add value to the department and help achieve the department's mission of "providing leadership in the development and operation of a safe and efficient transportation system."

Access the site at ="**http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/business/mbe/index.htm"MACROBUTTONHtmlResAnchorwww.dot.wisconsin.gov/business/mbe/index.htm**

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NEXT DEADLINE
is...**Wednesday**
November 1st, 2006
@ 4:30 P.M. with a
PUBLISH DATE
of...**Thursday,**
November 9th, 2006
Questions, please call: **920-869-4280, 4279** or **4277**
Toll Free:
1.800.236.2214
ext. 4277, 4279 or 4280

See the language website
We encourage everyone to become involved in the Oneida Language. Please visit our website at:
http://language.oneidanation.org/about/history

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For a Complete and Up-to-date Listing of All Positions

Call our Job Hotline at 1-800-236-7050
or
On the web at http://hrd.oneidanation.org
Postings are updated daily.
The Oneida Tribe has the discretion to pull positions prior to the deadline date.

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How to Apply
In person at:
Human Resource Department
2630 West Mason Street
Green Bay, Wisconsin
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
or
Fax your completed application (and resume)
to (920) 496-7911
or
Applications (and resume) may also be mailed to:
Human Resource Department
PO Box 365
Oneida, WI 54155-0365

Applications must be received prior to or on the closing date.

Human Resource Department Mission Statement
To provide quality service in all personnel operations with integrity, responsiveness and sensitivity to our customers.

When you have to sue your insurance company.



You are David

They are Goliath

We are your slingshot

I can help you get what you need quickly, honorably, and with your dignity intact when you have been injured by a person with little or no insurance and your opponent is your insurance company.

Recka & Joannes
Howard

Atty. Jim Joannes
435-8159

Environmental

Habitat Restoration Project Update

Submitted by Tony Kuchma
Wetland Program Coordinator

The Environmental Health & Safety Division is restoring nearly 200 acres of historic wetland. The project is located in the northwest corner of the Reservation, just south of Reformatory Road and east of County Highway Y.

The improvements to this site and restoration of the wetlands will enhance hunting and recreational opportunities. "This project will provide a new place for tribal members to enjoy Oneida land and contribute to the sustainability of the Nation by increasing wildlife and waterfowl habitat and protecting the environment that supports us." states Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Director of the Environmental Quality Department.

Historic photos from the 1930's reveal forested wetlands across the area. Since that time, the forests were cleared and wetlands were drained for farming. The Oneida Nation Farm and the Land Commission agreed to remove the land from production in 2005 so the wetland restoration could begin.

Construction of two earthen berms will occur this fall. Pairing ponds and nesting islands for waterfowl are also being constructed. Water levels will be kept low during the 2007 and 2008 growing seasons to allow equipment to access the site for planting and maintenance work.

About 80 acres will be reforested with wetland tree species such as tamarack, cedar, tag alder and others. An additional 20 acres of upland will be planted with conifers to provide a sheltered bedding area for deer and other wildlife.

Wildlife food plots will be planted on over 10 acres. Most of the food plots will be planted on the earthen berms. Some of the remaining acres will be planted into native grasses. This will provide high quality habitat for both waterfowl and upland game species.

Funding for the project is provided by the Fox River Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) Trustee Council. These funds are used to restore natural resources that have been lost or damaged by PCB contamination of the lower Fox River. Additional funding comes from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Public access to the site is from Reformatory Road. Please respect the neighboring property owners privacy by using this entrance. The access from Linsmeyer Road has been cabled and will only be for farm use.

For more information on this project, contact Tony Kuchma, Wetland Program Coordinator at **496-5346**.

New Conservation digs showcased



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The Environmental Health and Safety Division sponsored Fall Fest Tuesday afternoon of October 19. The fest helped show off the Conservation Department's new location at N8047 County Road U. The department is now situated on a former farm with a house and outbuildings. Above, Mary Powless, (right) is served by Jay Rasmussen, (left) A feast of wild turkey and all the fixings was on the menu. At right, Oneida Tribal School student Albert King, Jr., gr. 6, examines the contents of a test tube at an educational display put on by the Department.

Heating Assistance

Submitted by Jean Penn
Oneida Self-Sufficiency

Do you have a heat or electric bill?

The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program is available to all income eligible persons who pay a heat and/or electric bill. The Program can provide a one time benefit which is paid directly to your utility company. To be income eligible, you must not exceed the listed gross three month income:

1	$ 3,675
2	$ 4,950
3	$ 6,225
4	$ 7,500
5	$ 8,775
6	$10,050
7	$11,325
8	$12,600

** For each additional person add $1,275.*

If you reside within the Reservation boundaries, please call the Center for Self Sufficiency at 490-6800 for an appointment.

If you reside in Brown County, please contact Integrated Community Services **(920) 448-4540,** for Outagamie County **(920) 735-0010**, for any other county in Wisconsin, please contact your local social services.

Oneida 4-H brings adults and youth together

Submitted by OCIFS Coordinator

The Oneida 4-H club had their Annual 4-H Kickoff on Thursday, October 5, 2006. November is basically the beginning of the 4-H year, so every year around the beginning of October we host a Kickoff to introduce the exciting ideas and projects that 4-H has to offer.

These days there seem to be dozens of things competing for everyone's attention, so if you were not able to attend this event, it is still not to late to learn more about what 4-H can offer your family. In 4-H, the youth can have fun and learn almost any activity they want, as long as there are adult community members willing to give up a little of their time to teach them.

The youth will also learn leadership qualities, responsibility to self and others, and organizational skills that they will carry into adulthood. Let's come together as a community and show support not only to our Falling Leaves 4-H club, but also to our youth.

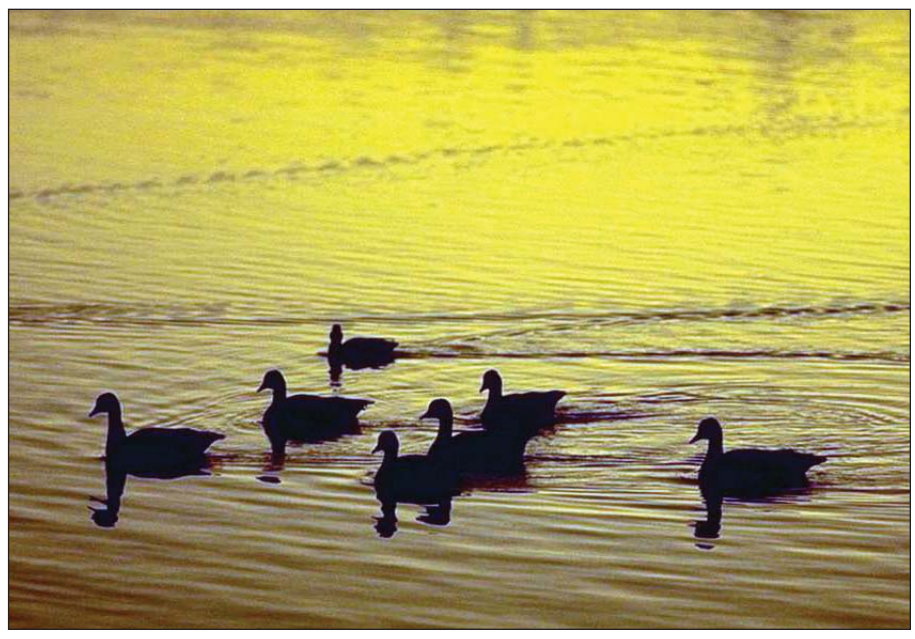
Would you share a little of your time? Falling Leaves 4-H club meets every 1st Thursdays of the month

The next meeting is: Thursday, November 2, 6:00 - 7:45 pm At the County H Recreation Center. N6457 County H

For more information please feel free to contact any of the Planning Committee Members:

Lois Dalke: **833-2855**
Grace Koehler: **869-4527**
Larry Cornelius: **869-4580**
Parker Plitz: **869-4581**
Bill Ver Voort: **869-4530**

Migrating birds are heading south for the winter



Kali file photo

Ducks use flyways to travel south for the winter.

Submitted by Bill Koonz
Specialist - Environmental Protection

It is that time of year when many of us would like to follow the songbirds south for the winter. Where do our breeding birds go that migrate and how do they get there? Some bird species are "hard-wired" for migration, meaning they do not need to be shown where to go or how to get there. Many of the shorebird adults (plovers, sandpipers) migrate first and their offspring must find their way south on their own. For other species (Canada geese, common loons), adults must accompany the juveniles for them to learn the migration route. For some species their songs are hard-wired, the juveniles will sing the correct song when they reach breeding age. For other species the juveniles must listen to the adults and practice to learn the songs. That is why fall migrating birds often sing almost as heartily as they did during the spring breeding season.

The idea that small birds catch rides with larger birds is a myth. All migrating species fly on their own. Some Arctic species fly huge distances. Arctic terns for example, fly from the Arctic to the Antarctic by way of Africa returning along the coast of South and North America, a round trip of over 22,000 miles annually. Most bird species fly much shorter distances. Some, short-distance migrants only fly far enough to escape the harshest of conditions. Crows, mourning doves, goldfinches and robins may only fly a few hundred miles or they may attempt to stay on their breeding grounds for the winter. Canada geese, mallards and ring-billed gulls also demonstrate this behavior. For many of these species, particularly the waterfowl, those that breed farthest north migrate the greatest distances. Those mallards and geese that breed locally are the most likely to stay here over winter, the ones that breed in Canada are likely to winter along the Gulf coast. Birds that migrate the greatest distances typically follow three major migration routes called flyways, north and south over North America. These flyways are named after their locations as the Atlantic, Central and Pacific. Birds that migrate to South and Central America are termed neotropical migrants, meaning that they migrate to the near tropics. Those that migrate within the United States are termed short distance migrants.

Like most of us birds take the path of least resistance. They fly when weather conditions and air currents are most favorable for their flight. Unfortunately they can sometimes be fooled. Some species have barely enough food reserves to cross the Gulf of Mexico. If they run into storms or a strong headwind they may not reach the shore. Others fly over the Atlantic Ocean along the east coast of North America blindly taking advantage of the southerly winds that will carry them to South America before their fat reserves are depleted.

Spring migrations in this part of North America typically occur (in southerly winds) on the back side of a high pressure area. High pressure usually means clear conditions and since high pressure area winds blow clockwise the back side brings a push of air from the south. Since the land has been exposed to the sun there are often strong thermals (kettles, updrafts), areas of uplifting that birds particularly raptors (eagles and hawks) use to reduce energy any time but especially on migration. The trick is to stay on the back side of the high pressure but not allow the low approaching from the west to overrun the migration flight resulting in rain and a grounding of the migrating birds.

In the fall the major migrations occur on the front side of a high pressure area. They are typically in clear conditions often under a harvest or full moon. Watch for hawks, eagles or flocks of waterfowl this fall. You can predict when the major flights will occur by checking the weath-

Rain doesn't stop tobacco burning



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Top: The Oneida Fishery Restoration Project held a tobacco burning Tuesday, October 17 at the lake site located on County Rsoad U and Crook Road.
Left: Councilman Paul Ninham, at right, addresses the small assembly.

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Department.

Please join us Oct. 30, 5:30-7:30 for our next community dinner. The event is located at Social Services Building in the Community Room. Good Mind Great Future is proud to support and co-sponsor these events with the Oneida Nation Domestic Abuse Program. FMI contact Belinda Brennan at **490-3821.**

CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, and information surrounding an issue.

This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

Oneida Family Fitness

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

New health programs for OFF Members

Oneida Family Fitness is proud to present three new and improved health and wellness programs exclusive to fitness center members. Whether your goals are directed toward nutrition, exercise or a combination of both, we have a program for you!

Commit To Fit (Pkg. A)
For Members Only $50:

Commit to Fit will familiarize you with an exercise routine by incorporating cardiovascular and strength training principles. Improve your physical fitness level through this 12-week program that includes:

- Pre/post Fitness Assessments
- Personalized Cardio Plan
- Weekly Training Sessions
- Strategies for Success

Nutrition 101 (Pkg. B)
For Members Only $50:

Is an unhealthy diet holding you back from achieving your goals? Join Nutrition 101 and see what a difference a healthy eating plan can make! Through a nutrition analysis of your current eating habits, you will learn new ways to eat healthy and improve your life. Included in this program are:

- Pre/post Nutrition Analysis
- Weekly Healthy Recipes
- Weekly Nutrition Education Sessions
- Strategies for Success

Change Your Weigh (Pkg. C)
For Members Only $100:

Change Your "Weigh" will enhance lifestyle balance through nutrition education, exercise, and behavior modification. This 12-week program includes:

- Pre/post Fitness Assessments
- Pre/post Nutrition Analysis
- Personalized Cardio Plan
- Weekly Training Sessions
- Healthy Recipes
- Weekly Nutrition Education Sessions
- Strategies for Success

Please call Oneida Family Fitness at **920-490-3730** with any questions or stop in at 2640 West Point Road in Green Bay. Sign up for the program that best suits your needs Monday–Friday from 5:30am-8:30pm. We look forward to working with you in achieving your goals!

Tae Kwon Do athletes compete in Milwaukee

Submitted by Adam Brown
Martial Arts Instructor

Oneida Martial Arts is proud to acknowledge their competitors who recently traveled to the 2nd annual Milwaukee Tae Kwon Do Invitational tournament on September 30.

Special congratulations go to Elijah Aulik, Andrew Martirosyan, and Heather Skenadore for their successful day of competition.

Awards were given out in three different divisions; forms, board breaking, and free sparring.

Forms competition is where the athletes display their artistic side as they display set patterns of self defense techniques. Judges base their scoring on focus, power, speed, breath control, and attitude among other things.

Board breaking is where pure power and techniques are shown. The competitors use their bare hands and feet to safely break pine boards.

Free sparring is the most dynamic part of the competition. Athletes don their protective gear and step into the ring for actual sparring against an opponent. Control, speed, and focus are the main requirements as punches and kicks are not scored unless contact with a legal target is made.



Submitted Photo/Adam Brown
Tae Kwon Do athletes show their trophies.

To get involved in the Oneida martial arts program, call Oneida Family Fitness at **490-3730** or email **familyfitness@oneidanation.org** for details.

Oneida Family Fitness Employee
Meet Tina Jacobson

Submitted by Adam Brown
Oneida Family Fitness



Tina Jacobsen

Tina Jacobsen is an enrolled member of Oneida Tribe and has been working with Oneida for 12+ years. She lives in Green Bay with her husband, Cole, son, Drew and their Miniature Schnauzer, Thorin. The whole family loves to be outdoors playing and keeping active!

Tina graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay with a Human Biology degree emphasizing in Dietetics and Nutrition Science. Since Tina has been working with Oneida Family Fitness, she obtained certification in Personal Training, Group Exercise, and Yoga Instruction.

She would be happy to provide an orientation on any of the equipment, assess your fitness level, or teach you how to become more flexible with Yoga.

Tina's passion is working in the area of weight management where she completes nutrition analysis and works one-on-one with participants of the Change Your "Weigh" program. Eating right and being active is important to Tina. So, if you want to talk about food and eating healthy, exercising for weight reduction, or changing behaviors to live a healthy, balanced life, stop in and she will be more than happy to assist you!

Physical Activity for all

Physical activity is essential for people of all ages. Unfortunately, many people in the United States do not get enough physical activity in their day or may not even know what physical activity is and the benefits.

What is the difference between physical activity and exercise?

Physical activity is bodily movement produced by skeletal muscles that result in energy expenditures. Physical activities can be everyday chores like washing the car, planting a garden or using a push lawnmower. Exercise is planned structured and repetitive bodily movements done to improve or maintain one or more components of physical fitness.

How much physical activity is appropriate?

Individuals should accumulate a minimum of thirty minutes of physical activity between three and five times a week.

Am I too old to start?

The benefits of regular physical activity get better with age. Older persons with chronic illness or disabilities can gain significant benefits with a moderate amount of physical activity, especially if it is done daily. Benefits include lowering blood pressure, decrease chance of colon cancer, heart attack and stroke. Physical activity need not be strenuous to bring health benefits. What is important is that the activity is done regularly. Here are examples of physical activity:

Everyday chores
1. Gardening for 35 minutes
2. Washing and waxing the car - 45 minutes
3. Taking a walk
4. Cleaning the house
5. Washing windows

Sporting activity
1. Basketball (shooting hoops) 45 minutes
2. Playing touch football 40 minutes
3. Playing basketball 35 minutes

Arthritis and water exercise
How exercise can break the symptom cycle

Submitted by Oriana Lee Kreuscher
Lifeguard and water aerobics instructor, Oneida Family Fitness

(Part 2 of 3)

Last month we took a look at what arthritis is and the vicious cycle that it creates. Chronic pain, possible disability, depression and stress are interrelated symptoms of arthritis. When a person is in pain they usually reduce their activity level which brings on a loss of flexibility and strength and increases stiffness. This leads to fatigue. Daily activities and socialization may be reduced, which often leads to depression, fear and/or loss of self-esteem. That creates stress which in turn creates muscle tension which brings on even more pain. This cycle is termed the Chronic Illness symptom cycle.

Exercise, especially the right kind of exercise in warm water, has the potential to interrupt the symptom cycle. The Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program has helped countless people get their life back by attending classes designed specifically for people with all kinds of rheumatic diseases such as fibromyalgia, Bursitis/tendinitis, Rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, osteoarthritis, and lyme disease. Movement begets more movement. Energy begets more energy. It is a use it or lose it scenario.

Warm water is soothing for aching muscles and joints. Movement in the water distracts ones attention away from the pain. Having the body submersed in water provides protection to whatever body part is moving by surrounding it with equal pressure. Whereas exercise on land is one directional - against the force of gravity - exercise in the water is multi-directional because there is resistance on every side. While a body part is moving through the water it is exercising. At the same time the opposing muscles are protected because the water closes in on the body part providing stability for the whole.

The advantage of joining an arthritis class is two fold: It provides appropriate exercise in a safe environment under the instruction of a trained professional, while providing often needed socialization. At Oneida Family Fitness we have a class designed to aid people with muscle and joint pain called "Ease Those Aches". It is an aqua class designed by the Arthritis Foundation and the instructors are certified specifically for this class. It is held three times a week: Monday and Wednesday at 10:15 AM and Tuesday evenings at 6:15PM.

Next month we will hear the story of one Arthritis sufferer who decided to give water exercise a try.

Oneida Family Fitness Staff

Michelle Mielke	*Fitness Center Director*
Lori Bembnister	*Fitness Specialist Lead*
Ryan Engel	*Fitness Specialist Lead*
Ryan Waterstreet	*Fitness Specialist*
Eric Frantz	*Fitness Specialist*
Tina Jacobsen	*Fitness Specialist*
Jason Manders	*Fitness Specialist*
Stefanie Richter	*Fitness Specialist*
Kevin Schoenebeck	*Martial Arts Coordinator*
Adam Brown	*Martial Arts Instructor*
Maureen Cisler	*Administrative Assistant*
Martina Frechette	*Administrative Assistant*
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Nicole Cooley	*Lifeguard*
Orrie Kreuscher	*Lifeguard*
Teresa Roth	*Lifeguard*
Jessica Mettler	*Lifeguard*

The **O**neida **F**amily **F**itness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at: 2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI Phone: **(920) 490-3730.** Look for ***O.F.F. highlights*** once a month in the Kali.



Fitness Members *for the month of* October 2006



Will Funmaker

Will has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for about two years. He has always been interested in weight training, but hasn't consistently trained with much purpose before the past two years. One obstacle that he's had to overcome is laziness. In the past, he would tend to skip a workout and try to make it up the next day. However, Will still works hard in order to be healthy when he is older.

Since exercising on a regular basis, Will has lost about 40 pounds and has started to run two to three times per week. These accomplishments can be attributed to lifting weights for an hour on most days of the week. He also runs stairs or runs a couple of miles after lifting weights.

Will enjoys working out at Oneida Family Fitness because of the helpful staff and the equipment that's available during the times of day when he needs it. In his free time, Will likes to read and participate in team sports.

Finally, Will's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Make time for the important things. Money and a job won't mean much if you have poor health!".

Congratulations to Will for your hard work and dedication! Keep up the good work!



Margene Roshak

Margene has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for about two years. She first joined a gym back in 1980, and has been addicted to exercise ever since then. Margene strives to stay healthy because she wants to live a long life and enjoy time with her family as she gets older.

Over the years, Margene has been able to reduce her stress, maintain her self-confidence, and stay healthy. Currently, these accomplishments are made possible by alternating the days she does cardiovascular exercise and weight training. She also likes to participate in a wide variety of group exercise classes.

Margene enjoys working out at Oneida Family Fitness because the staff is terrific and very helpful. In her free time, Margene enjoys biking, in-line skating, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, four-wheeling and fishing, all with friends and family

Finally, Margene's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "It is never too late to start. You are no good to anyone if you don't like yourself. Starting a fitness program that is right for you will ultimately bring you physical, mental, spiritual gratification!"

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Election 2006

Oneida aimed for high turnout

Doyle, Kagen win

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The 2006 midterm election was placed at the top of the priority list for many of Oneida's voters this year. A reservation wide campaign to educate the voting constituents of Oneida was launched months ago.

Recently, a get out the vote campaign, organized by Tribal Secretary, Patty Hoeft, began early on Saturday, November 4. The event, which began at Grandma's Dinner in Oneida, saw 12-14 people going door-to-door in all of the Oneida housing sites on the reservation to encourage eligible voters to cast their ballots on Election Day.

According to Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Environmental Quality Director and campaign volunteer, "Our main goal is to just kinda turn out the voters in the housing site, cause we know in 2004 we got a lot of Oneidas to vote by doing this, so we're trying to do the same thing this year."

Saturday's events were capped off by a Kagen Rally held at the One Stop on Hwy. 54 in Oneida.



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

Democrat Dr. Steve Kagen, left, shakes the hand of Joe Powless, right, during a rally stop in Oneida.

Kagen, who showed up in a large RV, greeted the 50 plus supporters with plenty of hand-shakes and hugs. Supporters were bearing campaign signs and sounding air horns to show their support for the congressional candidate.

Kagen addressed the crowd with a short speech before dismounting a flatbed trailer that was traveling with his convoy.

The purpose of the Kagen Rally was two fold. First was to try to drum up support for the 8th Congressional District democratic candidate.

"We know it's important to have democrats who at least listen to our needs in office and we know that if Oneidas vote democrats win," Hill-Kelley said.

The second was to provide support to those helping in Kagen's bid for office.

"One reason we did it was to give some support and encouragement to the people who are volunteering," Hill-Kelley said. "We work independent of the tribe so we don't have any money and it's just what ever we can

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Election 2006

Mystery veils Ira Hayes

By Slim Smith
East Valley Tribune

MESA, Ariz. (AP) – The gift shop attached to the Gila River Indian Center in Sacaton features crafts and gifts that pay homage to the tribe's history. What you won't find there is anything associated with perhaps its most famous son, Ira H. Hayes.

Hayes was one of six men who raised the U.S. flag on Mount Suribachi on the island of Iwo Jima on Feb. 23, 1945. The flag-raising, captured in a photo by Associated Press photographer Joe Rosenthal, became one of the most famous photos of World War II, in turn making a reluctant

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Ira Hayes

Danforth named OCHC Operations Director

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Debra Danforth was named the Comprehensive Health Operations Director of the Oneida Community Health Center (OCHC) October 29.

Danforth brings 26 years of experience working at the health center to the position. She will work with the Medical Director Dr. Ravinder Vir who oversees the clinical side of the health center.

As Operations Director, Danforth will oversee the budget for the OCHC, doing compact negotiations with Indian Health Services, and looking at the services being provided to the Oneida community.



Debra Danforth
OCHC Operations Director

Her first goal is to get the health center accredited through the Joint Commission of Accreditation of Health Care Organizations.

"I think that process will help to assure the community that we're providing the highest quality of care that we possibly can in the community." said Danforth.

To reach that goal, Danforth says more services need to be provided to increase the patients' satisfaction with the health center.

"There's a lot of services that we need to be able to ramp up in terms of meeting the needs of the community, and basically we have to look at how we can do that in the most efficient manner as possible." she said.

Ultimately, Danforth said she would like to see the Oneida Community Health Center be "a role model for Indian Country in terms of quality care, having a unique facility that can meet the needs of our community, and then taking the health center to a new direction in terms of quality care, patient satisfaction and accreditation."

Danforth completed a three year fellowship with the Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellows Program, and is nearing the completion of earning a masters degree in nursing health administration from Bellin College.

Domestic Abuse...

Not the Native American way

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

On Monday, October 30 there was a community dinner and skit presentation held to promote awareness of domestic violence within a household. The focus of the skit was the psychological, or emotional, abuse that occurs in relationships.

Emotional abuse makes up about 84% of reported abuse cases in this country.

According to Gene Red Hail, the Oneida Domestic Violence Coordinator, "Domestic violence isn't just about physical abuse. When we talk about domestic violence, physical abuse is about 1% of the total, sexual abuse plays about 15% and then you have the psychological abuse, emotional abuse . . . that plays up the majority of what domestic violence is."

Native American women are three times more likely to be victimized by a partner than all other females of any race.

"In today's culture native women are the number one physically and sexually abused women in the country," Red Hail said.

It was not always this way, however. Traditional native culture and society were much more balanced and women were held in high

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Abuse Skit

Airport Day care Awarded Grant

Kali photo/Yvonne Kaquatosh



Forrest Brooks, Language Curriculum Developer, shows Roberta Gassman, State of Wisconsin Secretary of Workforce Development, a few items that are utilized at the Airport Day care facility relative to the language curriculum. The Secretary was quite impressed with the implementation of the Oneida language with the learning tools.

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Day care Grant

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Appeals Commission

Initial Review

Rule 9(D) – Criteria for Acceptance: The Initial Review Body shall accept an appeal for appellate review if one or more of the following elements are sufficiently alleged to exist in the original hearing body decision by the Appellant in the Notice of Appeal:

(1) A violation of constitutional provisions;
(2) The decision is outside the scope of the authority or otherwise unlawful;
(3) The decision is clearly erroneous and is against the weight of the evidence presented at the hearing level;
(4) The decision is arbitrary and/or capricious;
(5) There is exhibited a procedural irregularity which would be considered a harmful error that may have contributed to the final decision, which if the error had not occurred, would have altered the final decision;
(6) There is a presentation or introduction of new evidence that was not available at the hearing level which, if available, may have altered the final decision.

To conserve time and space provided, the Oneida Appeals Commission will only put into print the Initial Review Decisions which have been denied. The cases that have been accepted at Initial Review will be published when the final adjudication has been entered.

Denied Initial Review Decisions

Janet Herwald vs. Oneida Gaming Commission. Docket No. 06-AC-020, July 6, 2006. Judicial Officers, Janice L. McLester, Winnifred Thomas and Jennifer Webster presiding. Oneida Gaming Commission decision was dated April 14, 2006, Ms. Herwald filed her Notice of Appeal on July 5, 2006 outside time lines. Ms. Herwald was given sufficient time after publication of Oneida Gaming Commission's April 14, 2006 Notification of Revocation of Gaming License letter to request a file review and/or a hearing regarding the revocation of her gaming license. Denied.

Appellate Court Decisions

Eric Jorgenson vs. Oneida Gaming Commission, Oneida Bingo & Casino, Table Games Department. Docket No. 06-AC-001, July 7, 2006. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless, Marjorie Stevens, Winnifred L. Thomas and Jennifer Webster presiding. This case involves the revocation of Eric Jorgenson's gaming Work Permit/License by the Oneida Gaming Commission (OGC), which resulted in his termination from employment. The Appeals Commission affirmed the decision of the OGC to revoke Mr. Jorgenson's Work Permit/License. The revocation was based on several factors including Mr. Jorgenson's recent criminal activity, and the discovery that Mr. Jorgenson provided false information on his employment application and application for a gaming license. The revocation of Mr. Jorgenson's work permit/license was based on the results of a completed investigation and hearing into the areas of concern. By the Oneida Gaming Commission granting a grievance hearing, providing an analysis of the evidence presented at this hearing, we find that Mr. Jorgenson was provided with due process. . Mr. Jorgenson did not follow the appropriate grievance procedures for appeal according to the Oneida Personnel Policies and Procedures, Section VD6, therefore the Appellate body did not consider Mr. Jorgenson's appeal of the termination.

Darlene Hill vs. Oneida Bingo & Casino, Table Games Department. Docket No. 06-AC-008, July 7, 2006. Judicial Officers Winnifred L. Thomas, Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless, Jennifer Webster and Pearl House (pro tem) presiding. Appellant, Darlene Hill, appealed the Oneida Personnel Commission's denial of her appeal of her termination from employment based on an allegedly untimely filing. The Appeals Commission disagreed and returned the case to the Personnel Commission for a hearing. Darlene Hill worked as a Floor Person for the Table Games Department at the Oneida Bingo and Casino. Appellant was terminated on January 1, 2006 for a violation of the Oneida Personnel Policies and Procedures for Attendance and Punctuality, Subsection (a) Failure to report promptly and observe work schedules (such as starting time, quitting time, rest and meal breaks) without the specific approval of the Supervisor (W/ST). The termination notice states under "Date and Description of Incident(s): Darlene Hill was scheduled to report to work at 3:00pm on January 01, 2006, and she reported to work at 5:45pm. No call no show per Table Games Attendance Policy 2.3." On January 1, 2006, the Appellant received the notice of termination. On January 10, 2006, the Appellant appealed to the Area Manager. On January 25, 2006, the appellant filed an appeal at the Oneida Personnel Commission. On February 16, 2006 the Oneida Personnel Commission's Initial Review Body, rendered their decision to deny a grievance hearing due to untimely filing. The court found the Oneida Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual, Section V.D.6.b allots the Appellant (10) working days from the day the employee receives the Area Manager's decision to appeal to the Oneida Personnel Commission. The Appellant filed her appeal with the Oneida Personnel Commission on February 2, 2006. This is well within the required time frame. The Decision of the Appellate Court found the Appellant was timely in her filing for a grievance hearing. The Oneida Personnel Commission erred. This case is remanded back to the Oneida Personnel Commission to hear the merits.

Owen Somers vs. Oneida Police Department. Docket No. 06-AC-009, July 12, 2006. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Pearl House (pro tem), Lois Powless, Jennifer Webster and Stanley Webster (pro tem) presiding. On March 14, 2006 Mr. Somers entered his Notice of Appeal requesting the Oneida Appeals Commission to reverse the March 1, 2006 decision of the Oneida Personnel Commission (OPC) and uphold their original award of attorney fees in their decision of October 10, 2005. The OPC reversed their October 10, 2005 decision in which they had included an award of attorney fees. In the March decision, the OPC cites Rule 18 of the Rules of Civil Procedure which in part states "that a party employing outside counsel is solely responsible for payment of their fees." In addition the Oneida APA, Section 1.10-1(c)(9) in part reads "The expenses of the advocate shall be the total responsibility of the parties", Oneida Personnel Policies and Procedures, Section V.D.6(b)(5) in part reads "The expenses of the advocate shall be the total responsibility of the petitioner." The Appeals Commission affirmed the OPC decision. No attorney fees awarded.

Luke Her vs. Oneida Bingo & Casino, Internal Security Department. Docket No. 06-AC-006, July 26, 2006. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless Marjorie Stevens, Winnifred L. Thomas and Jennifer Webster presiding. This case involved a demand for back pay from Appellant, Luke Her. On January 13, 2006, the Oneida Personnel Commission reinstated Mr. Her to his position as Security Officer within the Internal Security Department without back pay. Due to the untimely filing of Mr. Her and failure to meet the required criteria for reconsideration the Motion to Dismiss as entered by Respondent was granted.

Oneida Nation Community Library, Oneida Human Resources Department vs. Judy Cornelius. Docket No. 06-AC-022, August 29, 2006. Judicial Officers Stanley R. Webster (pro tem), Dorothy Ninham and Lois Powless presiding. This appeal involved the question of the extent of the Tribe's sovereign immunity from suit under Chapter 14 in the face of a claim of discrimination by a tribal member job applicant who was denied an interview despite allegedly being qualified for the position. The Trial Court denied the Appellant's Motion to Dismiss based on sovereign immunity. Appellants filed an Interlocutory Appeal from the Original Hearing Body's denial of their Motion to Dismiss. Ms. Cornelius applied for and was denied a job at the Oneida Nation Community Library (Library). She alleges she was improperly denied preference and was improperly screened out of the hiring process and denied an opportunity to interview. The Appellate body ruled in part that Chapter 14 Sovereign Immunity mainly reafffirms the tribes sovereign immunity from foreign powers and deals with external laws of foreign nations. It was not intended to disrupt or discontinue or interrupt the workings of Oneida government or prevent claims such as Respondent's which is the type of claim contemplated by the Administrative Procedures Act. A Stay had been granted pending the Appellate Court's decision. Appellate Court affirmed the Original Hearing Body's denial of Appellant's Motion to Dismiss. Trial case shall proceed.

Jennifer Youngblood vs. John Mears, Health and Industrial Services Supervisor, Environmental Health and Safety. Docket No. 06-AC-016, September 11, 2006. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Dorothy Ninham, Lois Powless, Winnifred Thomas and Jennifer Webster presiding. This case involved the termination of Ms. Youngblood's employment. The merits of the termination have not been reviewed by this Appellate body as there has been no original hearing body decision rendered in regard to the termination itself. The Oneida Personnel Commission (OPC) dismissed Ms. Youngblood's appeal after she failed to appear for a scheduled hearing. The Appellate body found that Ms. Youngblood had justifiable cause for not appearing, and therefore reversed the OPC's decision to dismiss the case. The case was reinstated and remanded to the OPC for a grievance hearing to hear the merits of Docket No. 06-TER-002 Jennifer Youngblood v. Jeff Mears, Health and Industrial Director, Environmental Health & Safety.

Trial Court Decisions

Doris Smith, Deceased and David Smith, surviving spouse and Special Administrator of the Estate of Doris Smith vs. Human Resources Department-Benefits and Crawford & Company Insurance. Docket No. 06-TC-021, August 9, 2006. Judicial Officers Anita Barber, Gerald Cornelius and Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding. While at work on the employer's premises and on the clock, Mrs. Smith tripped when walking towards the door to take a cigarette break during her lunch hour. Complications of this injury led to Mrs. Smith's death. Mrs. Smith's husband, David Smith filed to recover benefits under the Oneida Worker's Compensation Ordinance, Chapter 13. The Tribe's workers compensation carrier denied Mr. Smith's claims. Mr. Smith filed a timely appeal. The question before the trial court was whether Mrs. Smith's injury and death were compensable under the Worker's Compensation Ordinance. Under Section 13.6-1, if the employee's death arose out of and was in the course of employment, the employer "shall be liable for the payment to...the employee's surviving spouse...as provided by law." The parties agreed to the relevant facts by stipulation. The Trial Court found Mrs. Smith's injury and death both arose out of and were in the course of her employment. She was on a paid lunch break. She was on the employers time. Under the Worker's Compensation Ordinance, Mr. Smith is entitled to the death benefit described in Sec. 13.6-7 and her estate is entitled to receive benefits for her Total Temporary Disability for the period of September 27, 2005 to October 5, 2005.

Division of Land Management vs. Douglas Schmidt. Docket No. 06-TC-064, August 24, 2006. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Robert Christjohn and Gerald Cornelius presiding.
On July 13, 2006, Division of Land Management, Petitioner, filed a Money Judgment Complaint against Douglas Schmidt, Respondent, based on contractual obligations arising from a Tribal Loan Credit Agreement for a home. A pretrial was scheduled for August 18, 2006. At the August 18, 2006 hearing a representative for the Division of Land Management appeared, however, neither Mr. Schmidt nor his representative appeared. The Court entered a judgment in favor of Petitioner in the amount of $3,189.24, in accordance with Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 16(B).

In the Matter of the Estate of Katherine Jourdan. Docket No. 06-TC-063, August 24, 2006. Judicial Officers Mary Adams Robert Christjohn and Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding.
On June 8, 2006, the Land Commission, through Attorney Rebecca M. Webster, petitioned the court for orders approving heirship, appointing a personal representative if needed, and other orders necessary to settle this estate. The court acknowledged there was no Last Will and Testament. The court accepted the Designation of Successor form as the only legal document that provided a transfer of successor. The Designation of Successor form indicated that if the first named successor is unable to accept the rights and responsibilities then Valerie Groleau is named as the alternate. The first named successor had recently deceased. There were no objections to the transfer of the homesite to Valerie Groleau. Therefore, the court granted the transfer of decedent's homesite to Valerie Groleau.

Maurisa Coran vs. Dr. William Stempski, Henrietta Cornelius, Oneida Community Health Center-Dental Clinic. Docket No. 06-TC-038, August 28, 2006. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Anita Barber and Robert Christjohn presiding. On May 11, 2006, Maurisa Coran, filed a complaint alleging numerous complaints and several claims of damages against Dr. Stempski and Ms. Cornelius. A hearing was held. At the hearing the court found Ms. Coran's complaint included alleged violations that occurred prior to a settlement agreement that was executed between the Oneida Tribe and Ms. Coran and that the settlement agreement prevented her claims from going forward. The court dismissed the case.

Linda S. Dallas vs. Division of Land Management, Oneida Land Commission. Docket No. 06-TC-071, September 26, 2006. Judicial Officers Anita Barber, Gerald Cornelius and Robert Kittecon (pro tem) presiding. On August 11, 2006 Linda S. Dallas sought a temporary restraining order to prevent foreclosure and repossession. A hearing was scheduled for September 1, 2006. Petitioner did not appear, Respondents moved for dismissal based on Oneida Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 14(A). The Court granted the request for dismissal. Dismissal is not an adjudication on the merits.

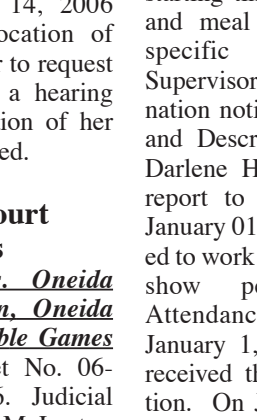
Complete copy of the decisions can be obtained at the Oneida Appeals Commission offices.

Submitted by Janice L. McLester

Introducing new addition, returning members of the Appeals Commission

Submitted by Mary Adams
Judicial Officer

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System would like to welcome a new member, Gary Jordan. Gary began performing work in Oneida as a tutor for the children around 1975-1978. During the holidays he filled in for Top of the Hill Bingo at the Norbert Hill Center. During his tenure with the Oneida Nation Gary served on the Oneida Business Committee as Councilman, Vice Chairman, Acting Chairman, and the Oneida Gaming Commission as Commissioner, Vice Chair, and Chairman. Gary recently resigned from the Election Board due to his election on the Appeals Commission.


Gary Jordan

After graduating from technical college in 1979, as Who's Who Among Students, Gary began a career as a class A metal fabricator certified in robotics and all other phases of metal fabrication and welding processes.

Gary has several years experience working outside the tribe for fortune 500 manufacturing, production, and investment companies such as Merril Lynch, Scrieber Foods, Allis Chalmers and International Papers. He has been acclimated to the Deming and Juran philosophy of TQM which is similar to present day "balanced scorecard." He was on the original OBC that developed our present day mission, vision, and nation priorities, something he currently helps other Tribes implement. Over the past year Gary had the opportunity to advise a business owner on developing a food production facility in the middle east. He duplicated the process of a local facility that made, approximately, $90,000 net profit per day to a more modern facility producing a profit of around $300,000 per day with eight production employees.

Presently, Gary is focusing the majority of his efforts to retain the adequate certification and training to participate in Hearings. Gary has had training in the Basics of Indian Law, Negotiations, Ethics, Code of Conduct, Leadership, Roberts Rules, Business Law, Labor Law, Interviewing Skills, EEO, Dealing with Negative People, and Supervisory Skills, just to name a few. Gary looks forward to serving the Oneida Nation with objectivity and independence from political influences at all levels. Gary thanks the Oneida membership for their vote.

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System would also like to welcome back, Jennifer Webster. Jennifer was born and raised in Oneida, of the Turtle Clan. Jennifer is married to Donald Webster and they have 3 lovely children, Marcus (whom is now driving!) Zachariah and Olivia. They own Web's Kustom Touch Auto Body in Oneida. Jennifer works full time as a Travel Coordinator for the Oneida Tribe. A member of Holy Apostles Church. She is also a traditional dancer and enjoys helping out in community events. This is her second term elected to the Appeals Commission.

In addition, the Oneida Tribal Judicial System would like to welcome back, Anita Barber. Anita has been working with the Tribe in a variety of positions since 1987. Anita has a Master of Science in Organizational Leadership and Quality, a Bachelor of Arts in Education and Oneida Language and Culture - Social Studies and graduated from East High - Green Bay.


Kali file photo
The Oneida Appeals commission welcome returning members and new member Gary Jordan.

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System welcomes back Janice McLester. As a Lead Judicial Officer for the Oneida Appeals Commission, Janice McLester has over two terms of experience with progressively responsible roles. Janice has undergone extensive training in: Indian Law, Rules of Civil Procedure, Appellate Procedure, Garnishments, Tribal Debt, Judiciary Development, Roles and Responsibilities for Commissions, Consensus Building, Traditional Concepts of Peacemaking, Logic and Opinion Writing, Indian Child Welfare and Guardian Ad Litem and mediation.

Janice has completed the course work for the Introduction to Tribal Legal Studies. She is doing course work in Federal Indian Law at the College of Menominee Nation. In the Spring of this year, Janice completed the Division of Land Management's Real Property Law class and is a certified Mediator through the Winnebago Conflict Resolution Center in Oshkosh.

SEOTS News

South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services News

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

Focus… Monthly Calendar

Special Events… in December

Dancers Needed…for the Holiday Folk Fair set for November 17, 18 and 19th.
Please Call Mark Denning 414-384-7740

It's Your Choice Program for Teens
Program for enhancing reading skills, home work help, developing leadership skills, making healthy choices and also extra-curricular activities. Incentives will be provided for attendance along with evening meals and bus tickets to attend. Date: Tuesdays, December 5, 12 & 19th from 4–6:30PM, SEOTS.

Craft Class (Native Holiday Doll Ornaments)
Wednesdays… December 6 & 13 (No class Dec. 20th & 27th due to the Holiday) Time: 6–8PM SEOTS Building.

Cultural Heritage with Randy Cornelius
Thursday, December 14th from 6–8PM SEOTS Building.

Family Holiday Party – A Day at Discovery World
Saturday, December 27th Time: TBA. Place: Discovery World on Lake Drive Downtown. RSVP First come first serve to the first 30 people. Call SEOTS at 414-384-7740.

Hoyan to be held at the New Years Eve Pow-wow
Look for a SEOTS table in celebration of Hoyan! Coffee and donuts will be served. Check for time and place of New Years Pow-wow in the Milwaukee Native Voices Newspaper.

Native Film Day
Friday, December 15th at 1:00PM at SEOTS. Film to be shown: "Emerald Forest" True story about a man that searches for his son in the Amazon, and finds him to be a man living in a different world. Starring actor Powers Booth.

Diabetes Support Group
Thursday, December 21; Time: 10:30–12:00 Lunch will be served at SEOTS Please RSVP 414-384-7740 by Dec. 20th.

For Your Information…

Housing Information
If you have any questions regarding housing in Oneida, please give the Housing Authority a call. Call 1-800-236-2214 and ask for the Housing Authority and ask to speak with Lisa Vega or Julie Cornelius.

FYI (For Your Information) – Sweat Lodge
Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call 414-383-7072 and ask for Dona.

Attention all Community Members…
One of our young community members is in need of a "kidney transplant". Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. It's possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at (414) 385-2550. Tell them you are interested in being tested as a match for Jessica, who is on the kidney transplant list. You may also call to just ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who knows you may be a match? Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Information Around the City
211 Impact–Simply call 211 for help with life / food / shelter / health / crisis intervention, etc.
Pow Wow AA Group–All Welcome, Thursday's at 8:00PM, First Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center, FMI: 414-383-9526
Domestic Violence–Milwaukee Women's Center, 414-272-5132, ext. 153
Urban Circle of Voices – Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper: 643-5510, Vicky Rank
Interfaith Program for the Elderly – Meals on Monday and Friday – 11:30AM 631 N. 19th St., First Friday of the month at 5PM.
Special Notice…Be sure to check your Kalihwisaks
Beginners Language in December at 9am

Regular Events…

Oneida Singers
Mondays, December 4, 11 & 18th at 6:30PM SEOTS. FMI: contact John House at (414) 443-0301.

Oneida Language Class
Saturdays, December 2, 9, 15 & 22, 2006, 9:00AM–Beginners; 10:00AM–Advanced.

Veterans Walk-in w/Rodney Pearsall, Benefits Specialist
Tuesday, December 5, 2006 from 10:00AM – 1:00PM FMI: Veteran's contact for Color Guard, Leon House (414) 543-1622.

Circle of Healing Group Information
Please Call Rodney Pearsall for registration, information, and time of meeting at Milwaukee Vets Center - 414-536-1301. Meeting will be held at SEOTS.

Computer Lab
Open Daily for use (unless reserved for class).

Mairn Meeting
Wednesday, December 6th from12:00 - 2:00PM at Ignace Indian Health Ctr. 1711 S. 11th St. - The Gathering Place.

SEOTS Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 12th at 6:00pm

Van Trip
Wednesday, December 20th
Time: Departs SEOTS at 8AM and returns by 6:00PM

Med Pick-up
Wednesday, December 6, 13, 20 & 27th
MEDICATION MUST BE CALLED IN THE FRIDAY BEFORE THE WEDNESDAY PICK-UP

Checking out the green and gold



Photo courtesy of Deb Ushakow

Elders from the Milwaukee area toured Oneida and Lambeau Field to see all the changes in both areas. One of the highlights was to go to Curly's at Lambeau and eat, and to see the Oneida Gate.
Taking the tour was Duane Langen and wife Lorna, Opal Skenandore, Bernie Schuyler, Gloria and Jay Wheelock with Tour Guide Chris Powless.

SEOTS Mission…
Our mission is to provide for the well-being of **On·yote?a·ka** *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS *News* once a month for a listing of events. The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

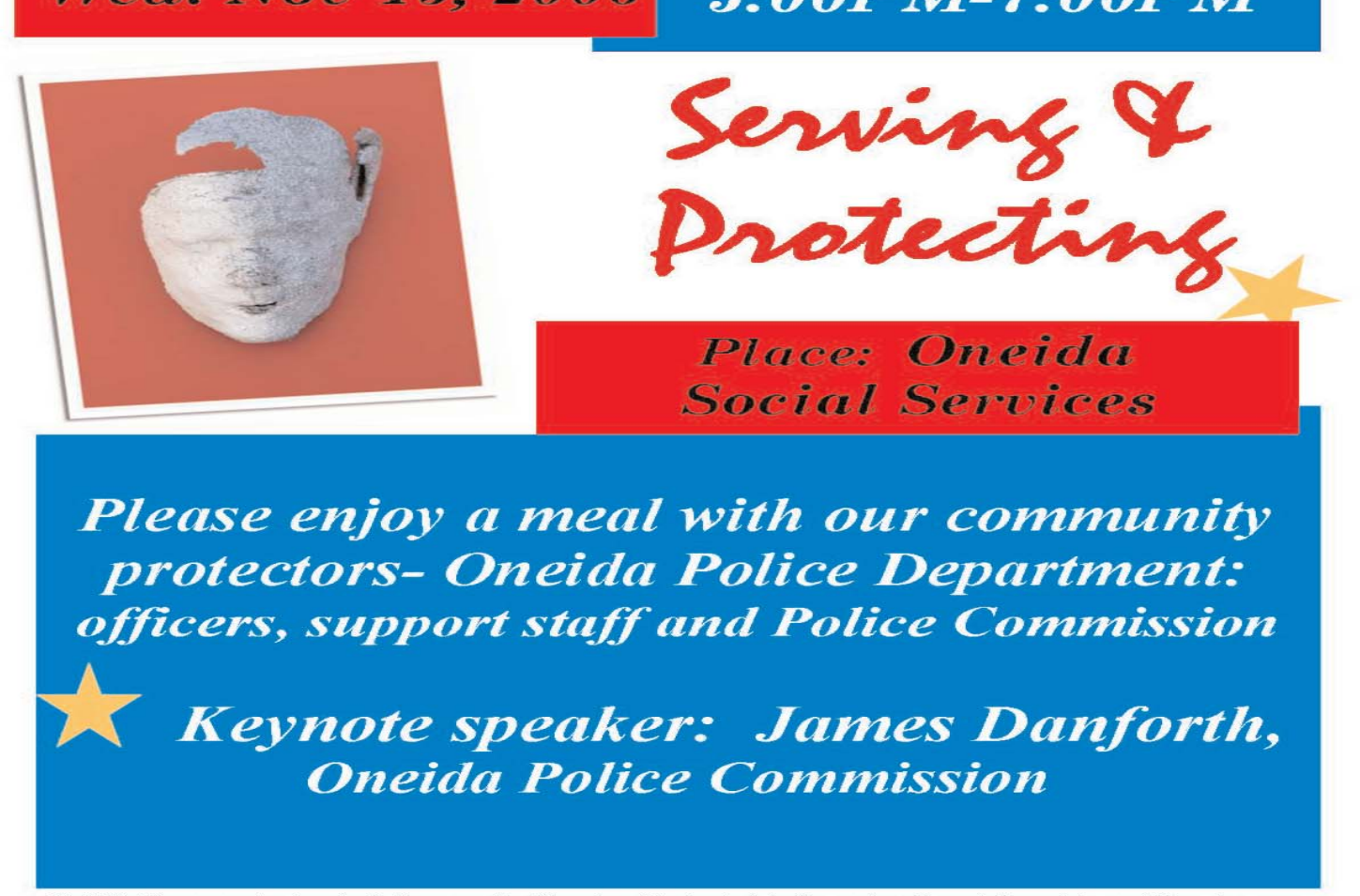
The SEOTS office will no longer be open on Saturdays.

Heart walk raises funds and fun



Photo courtesy of Deb Ushakow

Team Native American for the American Heart Walk. Team raised over $700. Top fundraiser was Joyce Skenandore. Thank you to all walkers and contributors!!



CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, & information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

Business

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

Six years and still cooking...

Doxbee's remains a hot spot for Sunday Brunch

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks



Kali photos/Steven J. Gandy

Vern and Lynn Doxtator are the owners of Doxbee's, a banquet hall located in Seymour, WI. Along with their daughter, Briana, the family works to keep the business growing and to be one of the best destinations for buffet dining.

Doxbee's was originally established in 1977 as the Edgewood and was owned by Harold Henn before being sold to Vern Doxtator and a partner in 1998. A year later, the banquet facility was renamed Doxbee's.

Current owner, Vern Doxtator, now works closely with his wife Lynn in the day-to-day operations of Doxbee's. Both work diligently as the establishments only owners.

Doxbee's, located at N6744 Cty. Hwy. C in Seymour, specializes in large-scale dining events.

Doxtator said, "Our specialty is banquets, weddings, anniversaries, large parties."

Doxbee's is also making a name for itself in the buffet market creating all-you-can-eat buffets on Wednesday and Friday nights and for Sunday brunch.

Since the inception of the Sunday brunch in '98, the folks at Doxbee's have been working to improve and perfect that aspect of their business.

"We started out with our Sunday brunch . . . because we knew the winter was going to be slow . . . we were lucky to crank about 40-50 people at that point in time," Doxtator said. "One of my goals was to have a 200 average on the Sunday brunch."

Doxbee's fell short of the goal for the first couple years serving anywhere from 50 to 100 people on any given Sunday.

"We were building our business and Sunday brunch finally hit a 200 average and ever since it hit that 200 average we've never looked back.," Doxtator notes.

Doxbee's is now serving an average of 400 to 600 people every Sunday.

In 2005, Doxbee's completed of an addition that increased the total capacity to almost 400 people.

"We used to serve close to about 600 people on Easter and Mother's Day. But we only had the one hall," Doxtator said. "Once we [finished the addition], our first Easter and Mother's Day we hit over twelve-hundred people in the same amount of time."

When asked what the secret to their success was, Vern and Lynn Doxtator were both quick to say, "Good food."

Vern Doxtator continued, "I'd say 95% of our food is home cooked, it's homemade, it's not made from a can, it all has its own taste, its own individual taste. It's all made from scratch."

Lynn Doxtator also noted, "I think that's a tribute to our success that we can handle (reservations) for groups any place between 20-100 people."

"Even our biggest days the longest wait we had is maybe about five minutes. Close to 400 people can sit at one time," Vern Doxtator said.

In addition to the actual meal being served on the buffet, the dessert bar is also an important factor to the business.

"That's our forte. Our dessert bar is all home-made pies and cream torts that we make the day before," Lynn Doxtator explained.

The clientele at Doxbee's come from all over the state and sometimes even further.

"We do a frequent diner card...after you have 10 meals you get one free," Vern Doxtator said, stating customers come from as far north as Marinette and as far south as Chicago. "They come up here and they turn in cards because they've come here frequently enough from Chicago."

The price for the Sunday brunch is $8.95 per person.

"We based our business off of quantity, numbers of people coming in, so we are able to keep our price down by the quantity of people coming in," Vern Doxtator said.

In addition to the Sunday brunch, they also offer a buffet on Wednesday night featuring chicken and tacos for $4.95.

On Friday night they have a fish buffet featuring all-u-can-eat fish.

"When you order the fish it comes fresh cooked from the kitchen. None of our deep fried items sit on the buffet," Vern Doxtator said.

The Friday fish buffet is $11.95 per person and includes other items like carved beef, roasted chicken, BBQ ribs baked fish and shrimp.

Doxbee's is serving a Thanksgiving day buffet from 11AM – 2PM for $9.95 per person.

For reservations call, **(920) 833-2924.**

Spread Christmas joy, not Christmas debt

Submitted by Dianne Zubella
Bay Bank Executive Vice-President

BayBank Green Bay, Wisconsin

It's that time of year when you're frantically rushing from mall to mall in search of holiday gifts for family and friends.

Here's a few suggestions to ensure you spend wisely and that the joy of the holiday in December doesn't turn into a nightmare of credit card debt in January.

- Make a holiday budget with the total amount of money that you can afford to spend on gifts, decorations and entertaining. As you make your purchases, deduct that amount from the total balance.
- If you are on a strict budget, cut back on the number of people you buy gifts for or the amount you spend on each person.
- Make a list in January of everyone for whom you need to buy Christmas gifts. Then look for bargains throughout the year and you just might find the perfect gift for that someone special on your list in July. Attend craft fairs, art fairs in spring, summer, and fall, where you can find unique gifts at reasonable prices.
- If you have a large family, you may want to limit the dollar amount you spend on each person or draw names so that you don't have to buy gifts for everyone in the family.
- As you look at each name on your list, determine the amount of money you can spend on each one. Then take that amount of money with you when you go shopping and leave your credit cards at home.
- If you don't like carrying cash and prefer shopping with your credit card, predetermine the amount you can charge on your credit card and stick to it. It is easier to dispute charges for unsatisfactory goods or services with a credit card rather than by cash, check or debit card.
- Keep your receipts for exchanges and for help in reconciling your credit card statements.
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Most of all, slow down and enjoy the season. After all, it's people, not gifts that make the holidays special.

Developing your business as an artist: Workshop scheduled

Legal Issues for Artists

Oneida Social Service Building
Saturday, February 17, 2007
9:00 am–5:00 pm

The Oneida Nation Arts Program and the Northeastern Wisconsin Arts Council are joining together to offer this day long workshop for professional artists.

As you work to develop your business as an artist, there are some vital pieces of legal information for you need. "Legal Issues for Artists" is a workshop specifically designed to help artists focus on a comprehensive list of legal topics including Intellectual Property, Copyright, Contracts, and Trademark. Led by Attorney Elizabeth Russell, a Madison-based, nationally known expert in the field of arts law, this full day workshop is designed for arts entrepreneurs who want to know the legal ramifications of the art and business related decisions that you make on a daily basis. Learn more about the issues that affect you and your work while connecting with other artists. We offer this workshop - one in a series offered throughout the state - in response to many requests from Native and Wisconsin artists.

The cost of this workshop is $75. There will be a limited number of scholarships offered to Oneida artists.

To learn more about the legal aspects workshop or to request a scholarship contact Christine Klimmek via email cklimmek@oneidanation.org or call 920-490-3831.

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NE Wisconsin election results

Following are unofficial results from the contested races in Northeastern Wisconsin.
(W) denotes unofficial winner
(i) denotes incumbent.
(WI) denotes write-in.

WISCONSIN
Governor
3,590 of 3,597 precincts
W -- 1,134,553, Democrat, Jim Doyle (i), Madison
975,734 Republican, Mark Green, Hobart
40,816, Wisconsin Green, Nelson Eisman, Madison
Attorney general
3,590 of 3,597 precincts
1,051,653, Democrat, Kathleen Falk, Madison
W -- 1,060,896, Republican, J.B. Van Hollen, Waunakee
Secretary of state
3,575 of 3,597 precincts
W -- 1,176,710, Democrat, Doug La Follette (i), Madison
791,323, Republican, Sandy Sullivan, Mauston
92,119, Wisconsin Green, Michael La Forest, South Wayne
State treasurer
3,575 of 3,597 precincts
W -- 964,567, Dawn Marie Sass, Democrat, Milwaukee
955,993, Jack Voight (i), Republican, Appleton
59,377, Tim Peterson, Libertarian, Oconomowoc
56,908, Winston Sephus Jr., Wisconsin Green, Milwaukee

U.S. CONGRESS
Senate
3,590 of 3,597 precincts
W -- 1,434,027, Herb Kohl (i), Democrat, Milwaukee
628,091, Robert Lorge, Republican, Bear Creek
42,263, Rae Vogeler, Wisconsin Green, Oregon
24,385, Ben Glatzel, Independent, Milwaukee
House, District 8
435 of 437 precincts
W -- 141,598, Steven Kagen, Democrat, Appleton
134,990, John Gard, Republican, Peshtigo
District 5
27 of 27 precincts
W --14,088, Tom Nelson (i), Democrat, Kaukauna
8,522, Jim Reigel, Republican, Oneida
District 88
28 of 28 precincts
W -- 8,927, Jim Soletski, Democrat, Green Bay
8,849, Judy Krawczyk (i), Republican, Green Bay
District 90
21 of 21 precincts
8,930, Gary Froseth, Democrat, Green Bay
W -- 11,155, Karl Van Roy (i), Republican, Howard

STATWIDE REFERENDUMS
Referendum 1 -- Same Sex Marriage Ban
3,590 of 3,597 precincts
W -- 1,265,208, Yes
858,259, No
Referendum 2 -- Death penalty
3,590 of 3,597 precincts
W -- 1,159,543, Yes
928,355, No

Oneida Casino voted top New Years destination



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Gaming General Manager Neil Cornelius accepted an award from Jayson Wertel of Company Magazine naming the Oneida Casino the Best Place to Spend New Years. The casino was the top vote getter from 431 employees of the advertisers for Company Magazine.

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organize and get together and we're always looking to help."

On Election Day, November 7, volunteers also worked to canvas voters and usher them to the polls.

John Powless helped organize a campaign, headquartered at Parish Hall, designed to reach as many Oneida voters as they could, reservation wide.

"We did what ever we could do to get Oneidas to vote and to vote for democratic candidates," Powless said.

Powless and his group of volunteers did general sweeps through the reservation housing sites and gave people the opportunity and knowledge they needed to vote. They gave out rides to those people that needed them as well as other helpful gestures.

"That was another thing we were focusing on was targeting women voters and single parents. That ... included watching kids for a short period of time so they could go out and vote," Powless noted.

The campaign also used self-generated phone lists of Oneida voters within the reservation. Calls were placed to encourage those who had not voted yet to get to the polls.

Powless was pleased with the outcome of the day's events.

"I thought we were really successful," Powless said. "People get excited, there was really a buzz about the '04 election, and I think we kind of capitalized off that and now...that whole voter empathy has , in my opinion, decreased. There's more and more people who are starting to realize that their vote does count."

Just because the '06 Midterm election is over doesn't mean these volunteers are going to rest.

"We're continually learning and we're building form each election ...We're going to be getting ready for the presidential election in 2008," Hill-Kelley said



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

Sadie Kelley holds a Kagen for Congress sign at a rally held Saturday, November 4 at the Oneida One Stop on Highway 54 and Seminary Road.



...is back for another decorative season!

Once again, the Special Events Department is proud to bring a little "light" to the reservation by sponsoring the 6th Annual "Christmas on the Rez". It's FUN, EASY and SIMPLE TO DO! Just read over the contest rules, fill out the registration form, return the form to the Special Events Department and then let your imagination take over!

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Home *Work*

CATEGORY: *Native American* *Other*
(Please Circle Only ONE)

Contest Rules are as Follows:
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2. Must be at least 18 years old.
3. Must be a private residence or business within the reservation boundaries.
4. Must be outdoor decorations.
5. One residence or business per category.
6. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 5th place in two(2) categories.
7. All applications must be submitted by **Friday, December 1, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS**! Drop off location: 2615 Packerland Dr., Suite A/B
 Applications can also be mailed to:
 Oneida Tourism Department
 P.O. Box 365
 Oneida, WI 54155
8. Judging will take place on **Thursday, December 14, 2006**. Decisions of the Judges are **FINAL**.

For further information or questions, please call the Oneida Tourism Department at (920) 496-5020

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Passing On...

Denny, Lauren (Laurie)
1954 – October 23, 2006



Lauren (Laurie) Denny passed away Monday, October 23rd, 2006, with her loving family surrounding her. Lauren was 52 years old. She was the daughter of Curtis Denny, Jr. and the late Beverly (Klevene) Denny. Lauren is survived by her father, Curtis, and only child, Danelle Denny (fiance Matt Wilson), and two grandsons, Desan and Caden Wilson. She is further survived by siblings, Chantey Denny, Debra (Don) Pitsch, Sara Danielson, Brenda Skenandore, Curtis (Peggy) Denny III, and Bill Denny. She will also be missed by loved nieces and nephews.

Visitation was at the Parish Hall, Oneida, on Thursday, October 26th. Bob Brown provided a prayer which was followed by a light dinner.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements.

Suganuma, Genevieve "Jenny"
February 8, 1931 – July 15, 2006



Genevieve "Jenny" Suganuma, 75, of Orlando, FL, passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 15, 2006 in The Commons at Orlando Lutheran Towers nursing care. Jenny was born on February 8, 1931 in Versailles, N.Y. to the late Irving and Nettie (John) Silas formerly of Oneida, WI. She was an active member of the Baha'i Faith and served many years on the Local Spiritual Assembly of Orlando as the secretary. Jenny enjoyed playing the piano and organ; painting with oils and drawing in charcoal and pencil; traveling both the Americas and abroad; and crafting bead work. She took advantage of every opportunity that came her way and lived life to the fullest. With every sunset the warmth of her memory lingers, and in each gentle breeze her spirit touches us.

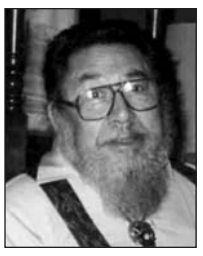
Jenny is survived by her husband of 50 years, Perry; six children, Eileen (Hidenari) Tsuzuki of Schaumburg, IL, David (Jodee) Suganuma of Ewa Beach, HI, Kathleen (Dennis) Foley of Manasquan, NJ, Brenda Suganuma (Dan) Wilson of Odessa, FL, Perry Z. (Jennifer) Suganuma of Orlando, FL, and Alan Suganuma of Tampa, FL; five grandchildren, Yuji, Marc, Kai, Allyse, and Maile; brother Leo (Betty) Silas; sister Mary Steves; and nieces and nephews.

Jenny was preceded in death by her parents, brother Irving "Sonny" Silas, and sister Arianna Phillips.

A graveside funeral service, officiated by the Orlando Baha'i community, was held on Tuesday, July 18 at Woodlawn Memorial Park.

Woodlawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, 400 Woodlawn Cemetery Road, Gotha, FL., assisted the family with arrangements.

Donald J.J. Nushart
May 5, 1927 – October 10, 2006



Mercer, Wis - Donald J. J. Nushart, 79, of Mercer, died Tuesday, October 10, 2006, in Ashland.

Donald was born May 5, 1927, on the Oneida Reservation in Oneida, Wisconsin, son of the late George and Virginia (Baird) Nushart.

He attended Holy Cross and St. Mary's Catholic grade schools in Kaukauna, and worked in the Manitowoc ship yards in the early 1940's. He then enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1946 and served in Italy at the end of World War II, and was honorably discharged in 1949.

After returning stateside, Donald moved to Appleton to be a carpenter, In 1950, he moved to Milwaukee to work as a welder, and also was employed at the Square D Cement Plant. In 1963, he moved to Fort Atkinson, where he worked at Moore's Food Plant for 7 years, then was employed in 1970 as custodian for the Fort Atkinson School District, retiring in 1989. In 1999, he and his wife Shirley moved to Mercer, where they were enjoying retirement.

Donald was an avid hunter and loved to fish anytime he could. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He married the former Shirley M. Brandt on April 28, 1959 in Waukegan, Ill. She survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Dorothy, of Arizona; a stepdaughter, Debbie, of Milwaukee; two grandchildren; a brother, Dwayne of Kaukauna; a sister, Virginia Salinas, of Milwaukee; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place.

A memorial service for Donald was held Sunday, October 22, 2006 at the Church of the Nazarene in Mercer. Rev. Stephen Floyd officiated with inurnment at Hillside Cemetery in Iron Belt.

McKevitt-Patrick and Engstrom Funeral and Cremation Services of Ironwood and Hurley assisted the family with arrangements.

Gollnick Nolan, Josephine (Metoxen)
January 6, 1925 – November 7, 2006



Josephine (Metoxen) Gollnick Nolan, 81, Oneida, passed away in her sleep Tuesday November 7, 2006 at home. She was born on January 6, 1925 to the late Edward and Agnes (Skenandore) Metoxen on the Oneida Reservation. Josephine was married to Ernest (Jim) Gollnick until his death in 1952. She then married William Nolan and he preceded her in death in 1970.

Josephine is survived by her daughter Karen Nolan and her son William (Genevieve) Gollnick, she is further survived by her grandchildren Michael (Lauren) Nolan, Louis and Maria Guerra, Cassondra, Kowa, and James Gollnick, and two great-granddaughters Shanice Gollnick and Kiley Jean Nolan. She is further survived by her siblings Commodore Metoxen, Oneida, Earl Metoxen, Ft. Meyers, Florida, Lyndahl Metoxen, Virginia Skenandore, Oneida and Dorothy Denruyter, Green Bay.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her two husbands, her siblings Gertrude, Kaiser, Raymond Webster, Samantha Farmer, Elda Swamp and Delia Matson.

Friends may call at RYAN FUNERAL HOME, De Pere from 4 to 8 p.m. (TODAY) Thursday November 9, 2006 with the Oneida Hymn Singers at 6:30 p.m. Visitation will continue after 9 a.m. on Friday November 10, 2006 at Zion Lutheran Church, Oneida. The funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the church with Rev. Vernon Heim officiating. Burial to follow in the church cemetery. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran Church, Anna John Nursing Home or the Oneida Methodist Church.

The family would like to thank Unity Hospice and her nieces Trish King and Susan White for their care.

In Loving Memory

In Loving Memory of
Priscilla Skenandore

Happy Birthday Mom...
on November 2nd



Sadly missed by all your children
on your birthday...
Geri, Noreen, Jack, Chris, JR and Peanut

In loving memory of
Yoonne Skenandore
on the anniversary of her passing
~ November 8th 2002 ~

It's hard to believe our mother has safely gone home
four years as of November 8, 2002.
It seems as though it was just yesterday
that we all had talked and laughed with her.
I know this is what our mother would say
to all the people that she had touched while she was
with us on this earth.

I am home in heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,
every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in heaven at last.

There is work still waiting for you.
So, you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth
- You shall rest in God's own land.

When that work is completed,
he will gently call you home,
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!

Sadly missed by her husband Frank Skenandore and daughters, Carolyn, Samantha, Francine, Tina and all her grandchildren and bud.

Thank You....

The family of Joyce "Pies" King would like to thank the community, the Oneida Singers, Drummers & the girls who helped at the Parish Hall, all of our friends & relatives who brought food to the house and for being there in our time of need. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

The family of Joyce Pies King

From Page 1/*Day care Grant*

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

Top management personnel at the Airport Day care in Oneida waited patiently for the arrival of Roberta Gassman, State of Wisconsin Secretary of Workforce Development (DWD) on Friday October 27 to mainly provide her with a tour of the Airport Childcare facility.

It was equally important to show her where a Community Child Care Initiative grant she would be presenting that day, would be utilized for.

The grant which is part of Governor Jim Doyle's *KidsFirst Initiative* was awarded to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin in the amount of $128,185 for the current fiscal year.

A tour of the facility, spearheaded by Dorothy Skenandore, Childcare Director, and in the accompaniment of Mary Motquin, Child Services Program Manager, Pre Leverance, Linda Torres, Forrest Brooks and Frieda Cleary, grants writer, (who was instrumental in securing the grant) took place prior to the presentation.

Patty Hoeft, Secretary of the Oneida Business Committee, Rochelle Ashley, Tribal Liaison for WFD and Brian Pelon, Job Services Supervisor in Brown County were also in attendance.

Upon completion of the tour, Secretary Gassman presented the award on behalf of the Governor.

During her presentation to she said, "There is nothing more important to Governor Doyle than the kids." She also expressed her amazement at the facility and all of the wonderful initiatives that are planned for the facility.

"The quality of care and learning opportunities that our kids receive at an early age is directly related to their development and ability to do well in school," Secretary Gassman said while announcing the grant. "This investment in our children and families through stronger child care programs will last a lifetime."

The Oneida Tribe will use a portion of the grant to provide staff training based on the Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards, offer before and after-school child care for children in Head Start, and to improve mental health and counseling services to children. Funds will also be used towards the enhancement of the Oneida language and culture to strengthen families, improve literacy and develop social, emotional, and cognitive skills.

Outside childcare providers who service Oneida families will also benefit through a childcare community initiative.

The Airport childcare building has been in operation since December 1994 and services an estimated 87 children, 6 weeks to 8 years old according to Skenandore, who also oversees the childcare operation at the Norbert Hill Center which has been in operation since 1974 and services 53 children ranging in age 6 weeks to Kindergarten.

The Oneida Tribe has been quite fortunate in the last five years, having received $1,316,776.00 in grant monies from the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD).

Following is a breakdown dating back to 2002:

2006.....$128,185
2005.....$127,992
2004.....$119,606
2003.....$119,251
2002.....$821,742

Total: $1,316,776.00

Above figures are according to Frieda Cleary, Grants writer for the tribe, through the State of Wisconsin Department of Workforce Investment / Community Child Care Initiative.

Happy Birthday Matt



It's seven birthdays now
you spent with Jesus
There's still a lot of pain because
you had to leave us
Jesus knew what was best
So he took you to eternal
happiness

When Jesus took you,
a part of us went too
It's not about how old you are
when you go,
Jesus takes the young and old, as we all know.

No one is promised tomorrow.
But when it happens it brings so much sorrow
you have touched our lives the short time you were here
We must believe in God then in death there will be no fear.

So Matt I know you are happy...
and have so much in heaven to see
When it's my time you'll be there waiting for me.

You got to see your baby brother
who is also waiting for his family & his mother

Knowing I'll see you again helps me live from day-to-day
I know you're not dead you're just away.

So one day when I close my eyes to death on this Earth,
I'll open them to a new birth.
In heaven with Jesus we'll all be
All happy and free
It's all because Jesus made it possible for you and me.

We miss you so much...
Love You!
All your Family & Mom
10/31/06

State/National

Karen Lincoln Michel elected president of the journalism organization UNITY

MCLEAN (Va.) - Karen Lincoln Michel, state bureau chief of the Green Bay Press-Gazette in Wisconsin, has been elected president of UNITY: Journalists of Color for the 2007-2009 term. The 17-member UNITY board of directors unanimously elected Lincoln Michel, a past president of the Native American Journalists Association (NAJA), on Saturday during the board's fall meeting at the alliance's headquarters in McLean.

Lincoln Michel will lead the board in governing UNITY, a strategic alliance of journalists of color that advocates for positive change to advance their presence, growth and leadership in the fast-changing global news industry. The alliance includes NAJA, Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA), National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ) and the National Association of Hispanic Journalists (NAHJ) - and represents more than 10,000 members. "We are in a time of great change in our industry, and in the world we cover as journalists," Lincoln Michel said. "UNITY and all journalists of color have a stake in the future of the news business, and it is my hope that our organization will play a major role in shaping a new course." Lincoln Michel, a longtime NAJA member, has served on the UNITY board for more than six years, also serving as a communications liaison for the UNITY '99 convention in Seattle. She also currently serves as vice president of the Woodland chapter of NAJA.

A member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, Lincoln Michel has been involved with journalism since the mid '80's. She worked in the NAJA office when it was located in Scottsdale, Arizona and was a part owner of the publication "News From Indian Country". She graduated from Marquette University with a journalism degree in 1989.

Lincoln Michel, who was unopposed in the election, succeeds Mae Cheng, a regional editor with Newsday in Melville, N.Y., whose two-year term ends Dec. 31. "I am delighted that Karen was elected to lead UNITY," Cheng said. "There is not another leader who has the depth and experience with UNITY and the strong leadership skills that Karen possesses. She is passionate about the organization and its goals and she has the will to carry UNITY to new heights."

The UNITY board also selected as vice president Aki Soga, business editor at The Burlington (Vt.) Free Press. Soga succeeds NABJ Bryan Monroe, who recently became vice president and editorial director for Ebony & Jet magazines. John Yearwood, world editor of the Miami Herald and current NABJ treasurer, will become UNITY's new treasurer. Yearwood succeeds Javier Aldape, editor and vice president of Diario Hoy in Chicago. And Rafael Olmeda, assistant city editor at the South Florida Sun-Sentinel and recently elected NAHJ president, will serve as secretary. More than 10,000 people are expected to attend UNIT''s convention, July 23-27, 2008, in Chicago. UNITY '04 brought more than 8,100 attendees to Washington, making it the largest convention of journalists in U.S. history.



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From Page 1A/*Abuse Skit*



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Chris Powless and Cathy Bach-Huber perform in a skit written by Powless to inform viewers about domestic abuse.

regard.

"The whole point for this community program is in our native culture . . . domestic violence was rare because we come from a matriarchal culture. Women held a lot of respect in the community and we lost that, that's what we are trying to regain here is the respect for our women," explains Red Hail.

According to Red Hail, "It comes from . . . the European belief system, that women are property, women are sex objects, women are to be kept in their place."

The Domestic Violence program in Oneida is one of the longest running programs in the nation. The 25 week rehabilitation program has been in Oneida for over 25 years.

There are programs and counselors available for both the victims of abuse and for the abusers.

"The whole challenge is we have to get back to our native beliefs as native people which dictated that women played as strong role in our culture and once we can do that then we can live honorably as native people," Red Hail said. "We're trying to get the message out; the true effects of what emotional abuse does to the relationship. It's all about power and control."

Some examples of emotional abuse are name calling, making her do something degrading, embarrassing or humiliating. If this symptomology isn't taken care of, and no longer remains an effective way for an abuser to control his victim, the tendency is for the abuser to move to sexual and physical abuse.

"The physical stuff comes in when the emotional stuff isn't working anymore," Red Hail notes.

If you would like more information on the available domestic violence programs contact Children and Family Services located at the Social Services building at **(920) 497-3700.**

Reach the Rez tour takes Oneida man on a journey across Indian Country

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Over 250,000 miles and 211 reservations later, Winter Benton has returned home to Oneida. Benton was a part of the Reach the Rez tour with Cherokee rapper Litefoot.

"Whoo, I did everything," said Benton with a laugh. "I assisted in the filming of the documentary, I was stage tech, sound tech ... pretty much whatever I had to do to keep the tour moving."

According to the Reach the Rez website, the goal of the tour was to hold a concert at 211 reservations within one year, and to spread empowerment and hope to Native American youth.

Benton said he saw the extremes of reservation life from the Mashantucket Pequots, owners of the Foxwoods Casino in Connecticut, to Indian communities that had little more than a mailbox on a dirt road. However, he found the problems faced by Native American youth to be universal.

"It didn't matter where we were, the problems were always the same ... drugs and drinking and the lack of spirituality," said Benton.

Before the young man joined the tour, Benton said his view of Indian Country was limited to the Oneida community.

"I just kind of had blinders on," he said. "(Meeting) other brothers and sisters from this country really opened it up in more of a broader sense as to what Indian Country is."

Along the way, Benton connected with his father Donny Applebee in Red Lake, Minnesota.

"I met my father for the first time in 23 years, and that was ... something that sticks out with me," he said.

Benton was only one of about 20 support people to see the tour through from the beginning to the end.

"Just being able to make it through the whole year and conquer the war that's inside me," said Benton. "Sometimes a month went faster than days."

Benton plans on staying in the area until early next year when he'll fly out to work on the documentary of the tour.

From Page 1A/*Ira Hayes, shy war hero*

hero out of the painfully shy 22-year-old Pima Indian from Arizona.

Sara Bernal, whose father was Hayes' first cousin, is one of his few living relatives. Bernal takes care of Hayes' lone surviving brother, Kenneth, who is 75.

"His memory is failing, plus he's pretty shy, too," Bernal says. "Soon, there will be no one left to tell his story."

Clint Eastwood's movie "Flags Of Our Fathers," which chronicles the events surrounding the historic photo, opened nationwide Oct. 20.

Bernal, with about 200 members of the community, attended a screening of the movie last week at Scottsdale's Cine Capri Theater.

She was pleased with the way Hayes was portrayed and hopes the movie will renew interest in Hayes among the tribal members, for whom he remains much of a mystery.

It's not too much of an exaggeration to say that about all the people here know of Hayes is that he helped raise the flag and that he died drunk.

In Hayes, the Gila River Indians have a truly tragic hero.

Along with two others in the photo who survived the battle, Hayes toured the country promoting war bonds and was hailed as a hero.

It was a role that did not suit him, though, and he soon returned to Arizona.

He worked mainly menial jobs and drank heavily - he was reported to have been arrested for drunkenness 50 times - and died on Jan. 24, 1955, when he was found face down in a shallow pool of water. His death was ruled accidental and most people believe he simply passed out from a drinking binge and died of exposure. He was just 32 years old.

More than 50 years after his death, Hayes still comes up in conversation at the reservation. But it's a pretty short conversation.

"People still talk about him," said Merla Shorthair, who works behind the counter at the gift shop. "But mainly all they know about him is about the flag and that he lived here."

From time to time, visitors note the small display in the center's museum.

"Mostly, they are men who have been in the military and they've read about him," said Geneva Lyons, who also works at the gift shop. "They want to know where he lived, if he has any relatives around here, things like that."

Bernal was only nine when Hayes died and doesn't remember much about her famous relative.

"He was very quiet," Bernal said. "He liked to stay to himself. All of his family was that way, too. He didn't like to talk to start with. And the hero thing, he was even more uncomfortable with that."

Even though Hayes was one of eight children, there are few relatives.

"You know, none of his brothers ever married or had children," Bernal said. "It's just me and his brother."

Bernal hopes the movie will give the Gila River community a sense of a man who, by virtue of his natural reticence and awkwardness as a war hero, remains famously unknown.

Bernal remembers Hayes as a kind, quiet and tortured soul.

She wonders if his life would have turned out differently if he had access to more assistance.

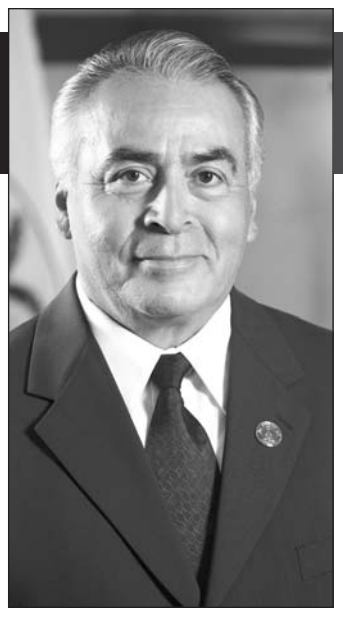
"Back then, people didn't look at alcoholism the way they do now. And the post-traumatic stress treatments didn't exist. You have to wonder what his life would have been like if he had had the help that's available today. It's sad."

Still, Bernal believes Hayes deserves to be remembered for heroism at Iwo Jima.

"I hope everybody in the community sees the movie,"

Legislative Review

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

Sagoli,

What a month this has been! The recent political races that we, as a nation and as a community, became increasingly involved in, get quite exciting. With the fall elections now complete, our work as Oneida government officials begins, and we look forward to meeting these challenges head-on.

We extended our congratulations to the reelected and newly elected state and congressional representatives, Governor Jim Doyle, Senator Herb Kohl, Congressman (elect) Dr. Steven Kagen, and State Representative Thomas Nelson. These elected officials have you to thank. Those results would not have been possible without your participation. I am confident that the Oneida Business Committee and our community members will continue to build solid working relationships with our new representatives. I thank each and every one of you who went to the polls and cast your vote on November 7, 2006. With your participation at the polls, we will continue to have our voices heard at our local, state and federal government offices.

I would also like to thank the many volunteers who dedicated time to organize political functions, make phone calls, go door to door throughout our community, and transport voters to the polls. Each and every volunteer who assisted helped to provide the information needed by our community to make informed decisions on the candidates of their choice. I am so very proud of our volunteers and our voters - you truly make a difference.

On another matter, making a difference in government is not our only challenge. An undeniable reality our community faces is the shortage of food at our local Oneida Food Pantry. The Oneida Food Pantry is located on Water Circle Place, behind the Little Bear office building and is open all year long. The pantry serves all people who live on the reservation, both Oneidas and non-Oneidas.

The Oneida Food Pantry conducts fundraisers throughout the year, the Farmers' Market (June through September), a fall Harvest Dinner (November), two Bingo Hall Bake Sales and holiday Food Drives. This year however, with the lasting effects of Hurricane Katrina and a slow economy, we have many families needing assistance. There are approximately three-hundred and fifty clients, and approximately three new clients a week, for whom the Oneida Food Pantry has distributed nearly 2,000 bags of food in the last three months.

The rate at which contributions come and go from the pantry is phenomenal. Once the food arrives at the pantry, it immediately goes out in the form of a donation to a needy recipient. The Oneida Business Committee and the staff have been collecting canned goods since the first of November. Oneida Casino employees are also participating in a food drive to assist with stocking the pantry shelves. I encourage you to make contributions to the Oneida Food Pantry throughout the upcoming holiday season and all year-round. If you would like more information on how you can volunteer or make a donation, please contact the Oneida Food Pantry at **920-869-1041.**

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Letters...

Donations still being accepted

The Chief Skenandore's Children's Benefit Fund, at Bay Bank in Green Bay, WI., is accepting donations through the holidays for his immediate family members. The extended family of the late Keith W. Skenandore (aka Chief) sends many heartfelt thanks to everyone who made a donation to the Children's Benefit Fund so far. Chief, who passed away unexpectedly last August, was a single a parent with 3 children still in high school. Anyone who would like to give Chief's children a boost to help them through the holidays is welcome to make a deposit of any amount to the Chief Skenadore's Children's Benefit Fund. For info: Bay Bank, **(920) 490-0930.**

Sherrole Benton

Help enforce Environment laws

Dear General Tribal Council (GTC) Members:

"The mission of the Oneidas is to sustain a strong Oneida Nation by preserving our heritage through the 7th generation."

It has recently come to the attention of the Environmental Resource Board (ERB) that there are violations to our land, air and water within the boundaries of the Oneida Reservation that are not being reported to the proper authorities. The members of the ERB have been sworn to uphold the Environmental Laws of the Oneida Nation, and to protect the Environment.

You, as members of the Oneida Tribe, also have an obligation to uphold the laws and protect the environment. We are all stewards of the land. Some of you may have noticed violations, but may not have known what to do about it. This open letter is to give you the information as to who to contact if you see a violation, or you suspect unlawful activities. Your phone calls will remain anonymous.

Environmental Resources Board:

- Ted Hawk, Chairman – 869-2903
- Gerald (Jerry) Jordan, Vice-Chairman – 336-3737
- Patricia Denny, Secretary – 339-8829
- Nicole Moran – 414-788-2220
- Lori Coenen, 920-788-0478
- Richard Baird, 490-2472
- Ken Webster, 833-7740
- Tom Oudenhoven – 869-1230
- Kurt Pelky, 968-7709
- Laura Manthe, Director – 496-5360
- Gene Schubert, Research Coordinator – 496-562

Environmental Health and Safety:

- Pat Pelky, Division Director – 496-5358
- Jeff Mears, Health and Industrial Services Director – 496-5342
- Shad Webster, Natural Resources Director – 562-5705
- Terry Metoxen, Warden – 562-5704
- Harvey Kosowski, Warden – 713-8451
- Dan Brooks, Forester – 713-8453

- Mike Finney, Eco-Services Director – 496-5349
- Mike Troge, Watershed Coordinator - 496-5348
- Jennifer Hill-Kelly, Environmental Quality Director – 496-5354
- Jim Snitgen, Water Resources Team Leader – 496-5333
- Melissa Moran, Water Resource Specialist – 496-5334
- Victoria Flower, Environmental Specialist, Brownfield – 496-5328
- Tony Kuchma, Wetland Program Coordinator – 496-5346

All of these people are here to help, and may be contacted with problems/possible violations. Don't worry about talking to the wrong person. If you contact anyone on the above list, your concern will be addressed. The Oneida Reservation is composed of 65,000 acres. The people on the list above only see a small fraction of it on a typical day. You are the eyes and ears of the Tribe. You see what goes on in your neighborhood. If you live here, it is your responsibility to protect our natural resources. Help us help you.

Thank you,
Members of the ERB

Legislative Update

Establishment of a Tribal Court System

Introduction

As many of you know, the Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) has been hard at work on creating a Tribal court system here in Oneida. It's worth noting, the General Tribal Council has expected a judiciary to come forward since 1981 when it directed the OBC. to create a "Tribal Court."

The establishment of a Tribal court system would be a dramatic step forward and would enable the Tribe to assert its sovereignty in vital areas such as Indian Child Welfare. The establishment of a Tribal court system would allow Tribal members to pursue justice here in Oneida, and not in State of Wisconsin courts. Having to rely on State courts to resolve Tribal issues undercuts the very notion of Tribal sovereignty and this needs to change. A Tribal court would interpret Tribal laws by utilizing Tribal customs and culture as part of the basis for its decisions, thereby greatly strengthening our sovereignty.



Councilman
Vince DelaRosa

What the Court would look like

The Oneida judicial system, as currently proposed, would be comprised of the following:

- A Trial Court for the initial disposition of a case, comprised of 5 elected judges.
- A Peacemakers Court for mediation of disputes, as a division of the Trial Court.
- An Appeals Court to hear appeals from the Trial Court, comprised of 5 elected justices.

In order to be a Judge or Justice candidate, a Tribal member must be at least 30 years of age and not be a convicted felon. Judges and Justices would serve staggered terms. The number of years of the terms is currently being debated within the LOC, with 5 or 6 year terms among the possibilities.

The Court would only be able to hear cases it is expressly authorized by law to hear. It is important to note that in the draft proposal, the Oneida Business Committee would be restricted from enacting any legislation that would grant the Court authority to hear criminal cases unless at some time in the future, the General Tribal Council granted the authority. It is anticipated that very soon after the passage of the Tribal Court initiative by the General Tribal Council, laws will be enacted to grant the Tribal Court authority to hear cases regarding Indian child welfare, family issues and traffic violations (It is important to note, that currently our Tribal Police Officers write tickets and all the fines derived for those tickets go to local non-Oneida governments).

Public Hearings

The first public hearing on the judiciary was held July 25, 2006. The hearing attracted a large turnout of interested Tribal Members and employees – one of the largest on record. Many comments were received and the LOC is actively reviewing them. Another public hearing will be held after the LOC makes changes to the draft.

Conclusion

With the adoption of the Judiciary Law, a new era of justice and judicial administration would begin. I am very honored and excited to be a part of this process.

Please watch for future updates on this very important matter. Thank you.

7th annual Thanksgiving community feast

The Planning Committee for the 7th annual community Thanksgiving Dinner would like to invite you and your family to share a meal prepared by many volunteers. Approximately 200 hundred meals have been served each year since the first community feast six years ago. The dinner is prepared and served by Tribal employees, community members and Tribal Citizens.

This year's meal will be served on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23, 2006, from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. at the Parish Hall. Please share this information with those not on GroupWise.

In order to help make this annual meal a success, we are recruiting volunteers for any of the following functions:

Turkey Cookers
8 Turkey Cookers are needed (#20lb. Turkey provided). The volunteer committee is requesting the Turkeys to be sliced, sorted (white meat/dark meat) and stuffed.

Wednesday - November 22, 2006
Food prep: Peeling potatoes, cleaning squash, cut up veggies
Set-up Crew: Set up tables & chairs. 4:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.

Thursday - November 23, 2006
Food prep: 8:00a.m. - 11:00a.m.
Food Servers: 11:00a.m. - 12:00p.m./12:00p.m. - 1:00p.m./1:00p.m. - 2:00p.m.
Dishwashers: Throughout the Day
Clean up Crew: (Take down tables, chairs, sweep, take out garbage, etc.)1:30p.m. - 3:00p.m.

For Donations of Food or Cash, Please Contact:
Carole Liggins (cliggins@oneidanation.org) (869-4432) or,

If you would like to volunteer, Please Contact:
Paula King Dessart (pogi@oneidanation.org) (869-4362)

Following is a list of donations needed:
Homemade Pies (20 pies)
Potatoes (75 lbs)
Venison Stew Meat (15lbs)
Baked Beans (2 roasting pans)
Dressing (1 Nesco)
Homemade Biscuits (200)
Green Beans (3) #10 cans
Cranberries (2 roasting pans)
Relish, Fruit & Veggie Trays
Butter (10 Lbs)
Milk (4 gallons)

Oneida Food Pantry distributes coats



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Coats were given away at the Nori Damrow Food Distribution Center on Monday, October 30 just in time for the cold weather that's on its way. The coats were donated by Oneida community members and employees and distributed to those in need. Sizes ranged from infant to adult.

Left: Nadine Escamea checks out a green and gold Packer jacket.

Oneida Business Committee
Meeting Minutes

Regulary Meeting
October 25, 2006
Business Committee Conference Room
Present: Gerald Danforth–Chair, Trish King–Council member, Paul Ninham–Council member, Mercie Danforth–Treasurer, Melinda J. Danforth–Council member, Patty Hoeft–Secretary, Edward Delgado–Council member, Vince DelaRosa–Council member. Excused: Kathy Hughes–Vice Chair.
Others Present: Barbara Skenandore, James Danforth, Joanne Danforth, Barb Dickson, Betsy Galbraith, David Webster, Twilight Moore, Norma Flauger, Brenda John, Jim Martin, Susan White, Fred Muscavitch.
Opening Prayer: Curtis Summers
Special Recognitions: None.
1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth
2. Oath of Office–Administered by Patricia Hoeft
Oneida Appeals Commission
Anita Barber administered by Patricia Hoeft on October 2, 2006.
Oneida Land Commission
Judy Cornelius administered by Patricia Hoeft on October 6, 2006.
Oneida Police Commission
James Danforth.
Oneida Pow Wow Committee
Maureen Metoxen administered by Patricia Hoeft on October 4, 2006.
3. Approval of the Agenda
a. Additions
b. Deletions
c. Moves
Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the agenda with the deletion of the Finance Committee minutes, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Minutes to be Approved
Regular Business Committee Minutes of September 27, 2006.
Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the minutes with the noted changes on Page 5 of 12: Resolution #2, Insert Trish King as the motioner, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Tabled Business–None
6. Reports
a. Oneida Appeals Commission (Quarterly: Apr/Oct) Leland Ninham - 1st Meeting of the Month Submitted.
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept the Oneida Appeals Commission quarterly report, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
b. Oneida Gaming Commission (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct) Oscar Schuyler - 1st Meeting of the Month Submitted.
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Oneida Gaming Commission quarterly report, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
c. Oneida Land Commission (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct) Pat Cornelius - 1st Meeting of the Month Submitted.
Action: Motion by Trish King to accept the Oneida Land Commission quarterly report, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
d. Oneida Police Commission (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct) David Webster - 1st Meeting of the Month Submitted.
Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to accept the Oneida Police Commission quarterly report, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Travel Reports–None
8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings
1. Gerald Danforth RE: Personnel Commission Board Appointment Recommendation
Excerpt from September 13, 2006: Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.
Excerpt from September 27, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the appointment of Shannon Hill to the Oneida Personnel Commission, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Vince DelaRosa RE: GTC recommended date Regarding Community Program Area of Oneida Housing Authority
Excerpt from September 27, 2006: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer this item for two weeks for the liaison to find out what actions the Housing Authority Board took on this issue, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct liaison, Vince DelaRosa to contact petitioner to see if she still wants to move forward, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Mercie Danforth, Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Trish King. Opposed: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve Monday, December 4, 2006 as the GTC date if the petitioner wishes to move forward, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Patty Hoeft, Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Opposed: Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried.
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to ask for a legal opinion on the legality of petitioner withdrawing petition, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
9. New Business:
a. Resolutions
1. Fred Muscavitch RE: Approval of Rescinding Fee to Trust Resolution 8-16-06 N - Correcting Incorrect Tax Parcel Number - Adopted new resolution
Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to defer this item, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
b. Requests
1. Rob Hendricks RE: Presentation of Business Plan Options for Oneida Sandpit - Requesting approval for one of three options to move forward
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve Option 1, Plan 6a as recommended by the General Manager's memorandum dated September 29, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Susan White RE: ADVENT - Fit Interactive Data - Lehman Family of Indices Requesting approval of waiver of sovereign immunity for purposes of injunctive relief only
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to support the request for waiver of sovereign immunity for purposes of injunction relief only, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
c. Travel Requests
1. Kathy Hughes RE: Fee to Trust Advisory Council Meeting, October 24, 2006 at Hinkley, Minnesota
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the travel request, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Trish King RE: Great Lakes Tribal Economic Development Symposium, October 25 & 26 at Acme, Michigan
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the travel request, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Patty Hoeft, Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Vince DelaRosa. Abstained: Trish King. Motion carried.
3. Ed Delgado RE: Retro Approval to Attend Disproportionate Minority Contact in Indian Country, Lac Du Flambeau, October 9 & 10, 2006
Action: Deleted at request of requestor
4. RE: Approval to Attend National Tribal Leaders Traffic Safety Conference, November 7 & 9, Albuquerque, New Mexico (Travel Expenses will be Reimbursed by the BIA Indian Highway Safety Program)
Action: Motion by Mercie Daforth to approve the travel request, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Finance Committee – None
11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) – None
12. Treasurer's Report – None
13. Oneida Business Committee Planning – None
14. Executive Staff Meeting – None
15. Legislative Affairs Update
1. NIGC Letter RE: Internet Gaming Bill - FYI
Action: Motion by Trish King to accept the NIGC Internet Gaming Bill letter as FYI, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Thank You Letter - Representative Petri - Approve
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to support the Thank You letter and that it be rewritten, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Annual Conduit Drive Update - FYI
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept the Annual Conduit Drive Update as FYI, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Local, Municipal and County Report - Approve
Action: Motion by Trish King to accept the local, municipal and county report, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Southwest Public Safety Facility Meeting Minutes - FYI
a. August 17, 2006
b. August 30, 2006
c. September 7, 2006 (Agenda only)
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to refer the Fire Station-Police Station-Ambulance Service request to the General Manager's office for review due to it being a joint venture and come back with a recommendation on the process, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Trish King to accept the August 17th, August 30th and September 7th minutes as FYI, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
16. Executive Session
a. Tabled Business – None
b. Old Business
1. Vince DelaRosa RE: Gaming General Manager Contract
Excerpt from September 13, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to the October 11, 2006 Business Committee meeting with comments back from the Business Committee Interview Team at the September 27, 2006 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
Excerpt from September 27, 2006: No action taken. Will be on the October 11, 2006 Business Committee agenda.
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item for 30 days, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Leland Ninham RE: Paul Stenzel - Contract Amendment
Excerpt from September 27, 2006: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer this item for two weeks for clarification, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Paul Ninham, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Melinda J. Danforth, Abstained: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to deny the contract and direct the Chair to add this to his meeting with the Chief Judicial Officer of the Oneida Appeals Commission, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Paul Ninham, Ed Delgado, Vince DelaRosa. Abstained: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.
c. New Business – None
d. Legislative Affairs Update – None
e. Attorney Brief
1. Retention of Private Investigators
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to direct the Chair to send letter to Gaming Commission regarding release of confidential information, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Diversified Investigations, LLC
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to have the law office use their discretion in terms of appropriate billing for the Diversified Investigations invoice, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Thornberry Creek Golf Course
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to direct the Chief of Staff to respond to the request from Bay Lake Bank, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
4. State vs. Paremski, Case No. 2005CF000204
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept as FYI, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Victim/Witness Impact Statements
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to direct the Law Office to initiate to the court that restitution has been substantially paid, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Mercie Danforth to direct the Law Office to submit the appropriate papers to court, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
f. Audit Committee - None
g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1st meeting of the month)
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept information and direct the Secretary to schedule a 1 1/2 day meeting between the Oneida Business Committee and OEDA, and that OEDA come forth with additional information, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
h. Seven Generation Corporation Update (1st and 2nd meeting of the month)
Recess/Adjourn
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to adjourn, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on October 25, 2006.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Next Regular Business Committee Meeting…
Wednesday • November 22, 2006 • 9:00 A.M.
Business Committee Conference Room
Norbert Hill Center • 2nd Floor

Radisson employees display honesty

Submitted by Nicole Marchand
Assistant General Manager
Radisson Hotel & Conference Center Green Bay

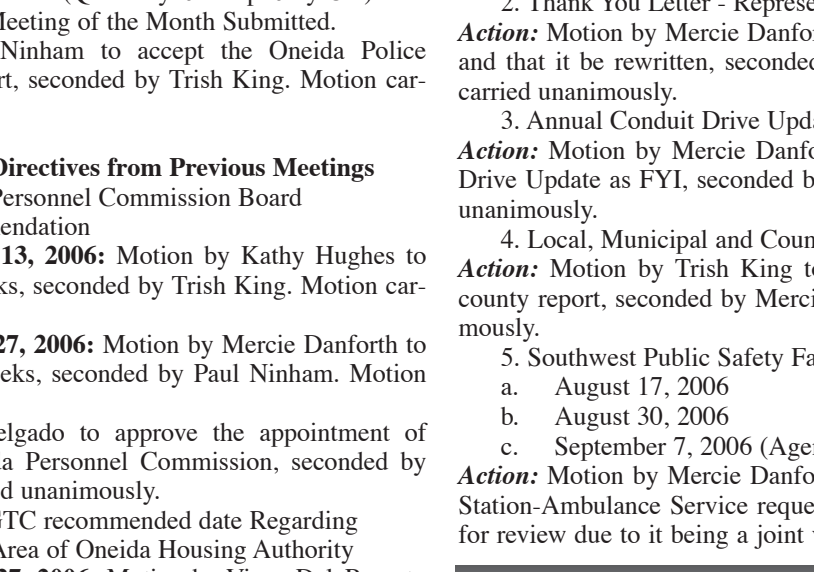


Photo courtesy of Nicole Marchard
Monica Yealey and Elizabeth House were honored for turing in a wallet containing $3600. The two found the wallet while cleaning a room at the Radisson Inn.

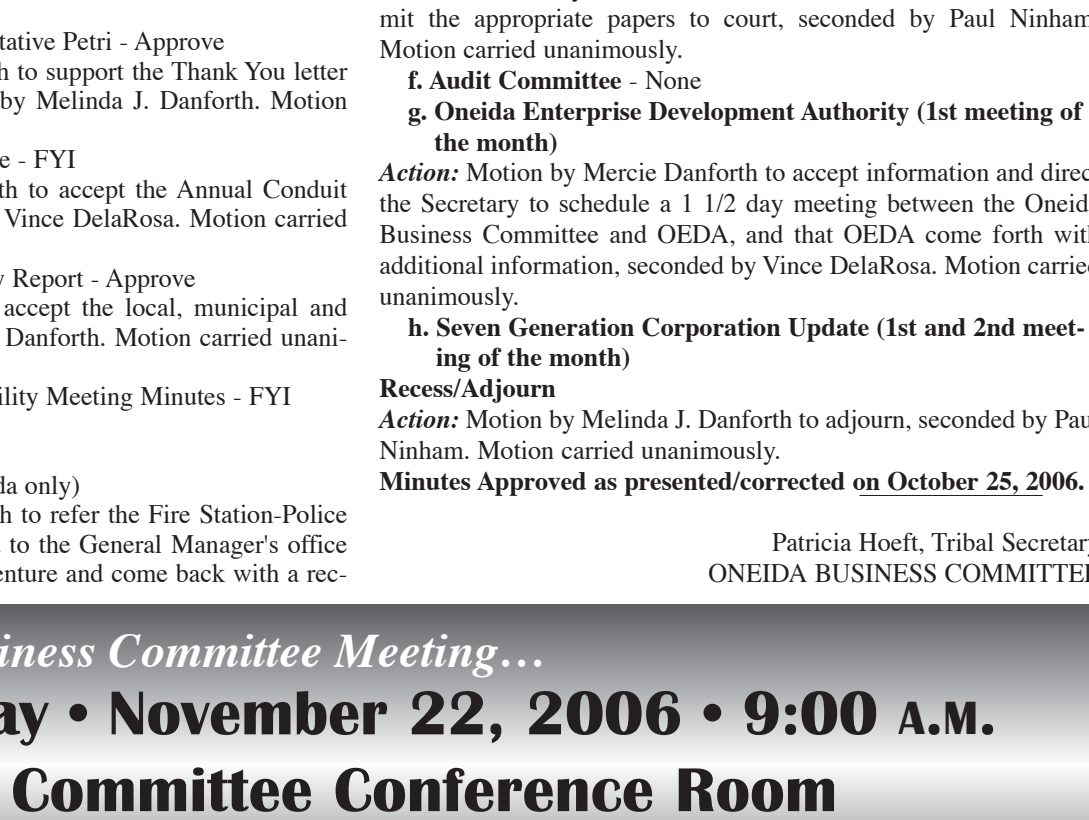
On Wednesday, October 25, Monica Yealey and Elizabeth House, employees of the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center's Housekeeping Department, started cleaning one of their rooms and taking the linen off of the bed when a wallet fell to the floor. After finding the wallet, they discovered that it contained over $3600! The girls called security to report the found item, security then collected the wallet and contacted the guest.

Later in their shift the girls were called to the front desk where the guest was very thankful and wanted to reward them for their honesty. The guest gave each lady $25.

The Radisson Management was so pleased with Monica's and Elizabeth's integrity and honesty that they were awarded: $100 Shopko Gift Card, eight hours of personal time off, a certificate of appreciation, and free lunch in the hotel's employee restaurant the Soaring Eagle for a year!

Both Elizabeth and Monica are great examples for all of our employees.

Halloween fun at Elder Services



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski
Monsters, aliens and vampires invaded Oneida Elderly Services on Riverdale Drive just in time for Halloween on Tuesday, October 31. Participants enjoyed a costume contest, pumpkin carving contest and an afternoon of bingo. Above are the winners of the costume contest.

Cannery personnel attend informative workshop



Submitted photo

Carol Elm (second person on the left) and Diane Skenandore (third person on the left) recently attended the Food Sector Opportunity Workshop in Taos, New Mexico.

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

Carol Elm and Diane Skenandore of the Oneida Cannery Department attended a 5-day workshop in mid-October entitled, *Food Sector Opportunity Project*, in Taos, New Mexico.

Their main objective in attending the workshop was to gain additional knowledge on a variety of topics pertaining to their area of expertise in the food industry. The pair attended informative workshops such as: Good Manufacturing Practices, Packaging and Product Design, and FDA Regulations, Labeling and Nutritional Analysis, to name a few.

The project was sponsored by the Taos County Economic Development Corporation (TCEDC). There vision to attain harmony is focused on community, unity, equity and opportunity. The organization was jointly founded in 1987 by its' Directors Pati L. Martinson and Terrie Bad Hand.

Oneida Cannery

Tsi?tkutekwayʌhe

"Place where they put food away"

Thanksgiving **Kanʌstohale** Request

Time to place your order for Thanksgiving **Kanʌstohale**. The last day to order is **Friday, November 17** by 4:30pm. Pick-up dates will be Tuesday, November 21 from 12:00pm to 3:30pm and Wednesday, November 22 by 12:00pm. To order call the Oneida Cannery at **869-4379, 869-4179 or 869-4479**.

Tsyunhehkwʌ Retail will have a limited supply of loaves available. Store hours are from 10:00 am to 6:00pm.
Thank you for your order and have a great Thanksgiving Holiday!

Oneida Cannery
Norbert Hill Center
N7210 Seminary Road
Oneida WI 54155
869-4379

Tsyunhehkw^ Retail
Ridgeview Plaza
3758 W. Mason St.
Oneida WI 54155
497-5821

Calendar

Various

Raised Beadwork Classes
WHEN: Various
PLACE: Bear Paw Keepsakes, 2667 W. Mason St., Green Bay
$50 per class, include all of the supplies. Enrollment limited to 10. register at the store. November 24-25 - Picture Frame; January 12-13 - Moccasins; February 16-17 - Small Purse; March 16-17 - Checkbook cover or Photo Album. FMI call **920-499-7875.**

November 22

"The Journey of Sacagawea"
WHEN: Wednesday, November 22
TIME: 9:00pm
PLACE: Wisconsin Public Television (WPT)
In honor of Native American Heritage Month, WPT will air "The Journey of Sacagawea" which tells the story of one of the most honored heroines in American history. Using the rich oral history of the Shoshoni, Hidatsa and Nez Perce tribes, and dramatic re-enactments and scenes of the wild areas in western states, this program provides both the historical account of Sacagawea and the legends about her. Contact **608-263-3364** for more information.

July 6-8

35th Annual 4th of July Pow Wow
WHEN: July 6, 7 & 8, 2007
TIME: Various
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center Powwow Grounds
Join us in song and dance at the 35th Annual oneida contest powwow! Over $50,000 in prize money. Weekend pass-$10, daily pass-$5, 60 yrs & older & 10 yrs & under free. FMI: **920-496-7897**

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there! FMI, please contact: Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

ONEIDA TRIBAL HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

One Person Can Create an Image. What Image Do You Create?

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The H.R.D. website provides links to:

- Divisions of Tribal Operations
- Directions to the H.R.D. Building
- Job Line contact information
- Job Opportunities
- Oneida Tribal Application - can be downloaded in Adobe format and/or Word Perfect

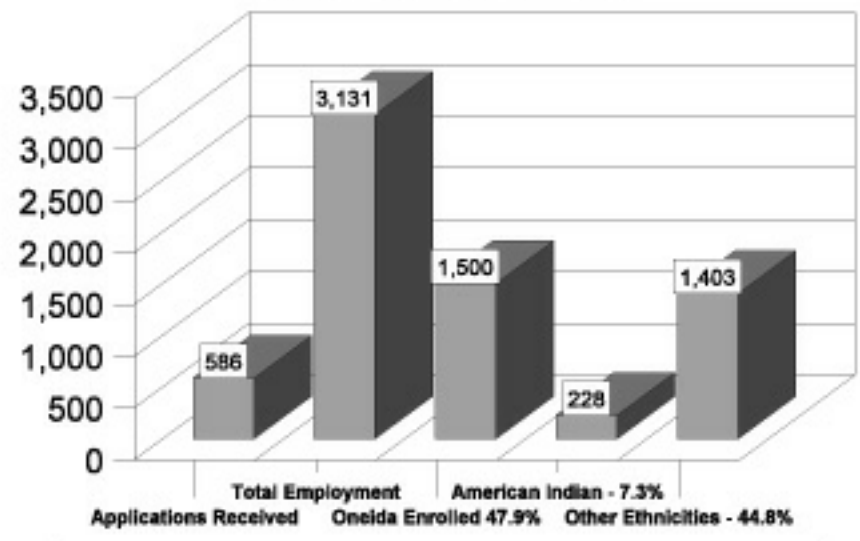
We have new office hours. HRD is now open from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm in an effort to serve you better.

September *Excellence in Action Statistics*

121 Nominations
107 Activated
18 Thank You

September 2006

Employment Statistics



Job Opportunities

- Child Adolescent Psychologist - Behavioral Health Services; G-19 (Salary Negotiable Depending upon experience
- Quality Assurance Coordinator - Oneida Health Center; G-08 ($38,314 annual income)
- Admin Assistant III - Slots/Gaming; G-05 ($27,290 annual income)
- Executive Casino Host - Player Development-Gaming; G-09 ($42,910 annual income)

Please visit http://hrd.oneidanation.org/jobs/jobs.shtml to review detailed job descriptions.

Compensation/Hiring Department

We anticipate Tribal job descriptions to be updated by February 1, 2007. This is in preparation for a Compensation Study to be conducted in 2007. A consultant firm will be selected to develop a Compensation model and self-sustaining wage/salary system with an execution plan to keep up with economic indices and the tools needed to maintain and keep the system current. The consultant firm will be required to align the wage/salary system with Oneida Nation values and philosophies like education, Oneida language preservation, elderly, children and health.

If you submit an application for a job "not posted," please update your job application every three (3) months instead of every six (6) months. Application not updated after three (3) months will be shredded.

Please make a copy, for yourself, when submitting paperwork at HRD. You also may request a receipt. Please keep the receipt. After a couple of days, please call HRD to follow up regarding the paperwork you submitted.

All future positions within Oneida Tribal Human Resource Department shall have an "Oneida Enrolled" requirement on the job position.

Human Resource Tips

- ❑ Years of Service gifts will have more meaning to an employee when the supervisor presents the gift to the employee prior to their anniversary date annually for each employee
- ❑ Excellence in Action is a way you can nominate and thank any employee for "above and beyond" behaviors reflecting Oneida Core values. Saying thank you to an employee provides for positive work environment.
- ❑ The recently enacted Pension Protection Act of 2006 provides guidance on who can give 401(k) investment advice, and how.

Local artists receive grant from tribe, WI Arts Board

By Christine Klimmek
Special to Kalihwisaks

At their October meeting, the Oneida Nation Arts Program's board awarded grants through their regranting program, the Dollars for Arts Program (DAP). The grants were awarded to organizations and Oneida artists with funds provided by the Wisconsin Arts Board and the Oneida tribe. The awards for Fiscal 2007 were for excellence in art, artist development, and artistic projects that benefit the Oneida community. Following is the list of award recipients, amount of grants and a brief description of grant activities:

• Loretta Webster-$3,455, "Expression of Iroquois Culture through Beads" - Providing the Green Bay area and Oneida tribal members with juried exhibits at Bear Paw Keepsakes that enhance appreciation and sale-ability of Iroquois raised beadwork curated by award winning Cayuga artist and researcher Samuel Thomas.

• Northeast Wisconsin Dance-$3,385, "Nutcracker Ballet" - underwrite participation fees for Oneida children to participate in the December 8 - 9, 2006, professional production of the Nutcracker Ballet at the Meyer Theatre plus lecture and demo for Oneida students.

• Green Bay Civic Symphony-$3,081, "A Salute to the Oneidas of Wisconsin" -April 14, 2007, concert at the Meyer Theatre showcasing Oneida trumpet artist Christopher Moore with an original composition "Trumpeting the Stone" by Mohican composer Brent Michael Davids.

• Oneida Museum-$2,079, "Voices of the Longhouse" - through a technique known as pair share, children with learn social dance songs from renowned Seneca singer Sadie Buck from Oshwaken, Ontario, and teach the songs to their parents.

• Jennifer Stevens-$500, Oneida Fellowship for excellence in Iroquois pottery

• Scott Hill-$500, Oneida Fellowship for excellence in pastels

• Dawn Dark Mountain-$500 Oneida Fellowship for excellence in watercolor painting.

The grants are awarded for artistic endeavors and projects in both traditional and contemporary styles of dance, literature, music, theatre, and visual arts. The applicants are rated by a Peer Panel Review and funds are allocated by the Oneida Nation Arts Board based on the recommendations of the panel review. All activities must occur between October 1, 2006, and September 30, 2007. For more information about the Dollars for Arts regranting program contact Christine Klimmek at 920-490-3831, email cklimmek@oneidanation.org or view the Oneida Nation Arts Program's web site at:
www.oneidanationarts.org



Everyone's thinking about the Holidays

Holiday events dot the November calendar

(Green Bay, WI) – The fall colors have come and gone, daylight hours are getting shorter and many area residents' thoughts are turning to the holidays. There are also many holiday-related events on the Packer Country calendar in the month of November.

"There are some wonderful programs and events coming up in November that will certainly help people get into the holiday spirit," said Katie Green, Director of Marketing for the Packer Country Visitor & Convention Bureau. "It's certainly an exciting time of year and there's definitely a little something for everyone."

A sampling of the holiday-related events and programs in Northeast Wisconsin includes:

***Peace Tree Lighting Ceremony,* November 16 –**
This year is the 19th year for the annual Peace Tree Lighting Ceremony in Downtown Green Bay. The ceremony will begin at 6 p.m.

***Downtown Lighting Ceremony,* November 17 –**
At Old Fort Square on Broadway.

***Holiday Gift/Craft Show,* November 17-18 –**
Visitors will enjoy the sights and sounds of the season at ShopKo Hall while browsing among the displays of more than 140 exhibitors. Featured items include framed art, floral arrangements, wooden crafts, ceramics and much more. Hours are 3-9 p.m. on Friday and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday.

***Grand Christmas 2006,* November 17-December 23 –**
Frank's Dinner Theatre will take you on a wonderful Christmas journey at the SC Grand in De Pere.

Time Warner Cable Green Bay Holiday Parade, November 18 –
The annual parade kicks off in Downtown Green Bay at 10 a.m., featuring more than 80 units, including Santa Claus himself.

***Trans-Siberian Orchestra,* November 18 –**
Two shows are scheduled at the Resch Center as part of TSO's Winter Tour 2006. It promises to be another great holiday show with more music, more lights and more surprises. Showtimes are 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.

***5th Annual Brian Setzer Orchestra Christmas Extravaganza,* November 21 –**
BSO returns to the Radisson Three Clans Ballroom for its Rockabilly Christmas performance. Showtime is 8 p.m.

***Christmas Back at the Corner,* November 24-December 23 –**
This holiday show is a throwback to the first Christmas performance ever at the Sports Corner in De Pere. Darren Johnson and company present a family-friendly Christmas show for all ages.

***The Polar Express,* November 24-25 –**
Hop on board the Polar Express for a trip to the North Pole during this special event at the National Railroad Museum in Ashwaubenon.

***WPS Garden of Lights,* November 24 – December 29 (weekends) –**
More than 200,000 lights transform the Green Bay Botanical Garden into a dazzling holiday fantasyland.

***Christmas Fantasy Parade,* November 25 –**
Ring in the holiday season in Two Rivers with the holiday parade at 5:30 p.m.

For more information on holiday events, or other events and attractions in Packer Country, visit www.packercountry.com.

To place a classified, call the Kalihwisaks 1-800-236-2214

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Legal Notice

Oneida Appeals Commission
Original Hearing Body

Notice of Probate

RE: 06-TC-092, In The Matter of The Estate of **David "Joker" Moore,** Deceased

The estate of deceased **David "Joker" Moore**, who is an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation, has entered into probate before a hearing body of the Oneida Appeals Commission.

A hearing shall take place on **November 14, 2006, at 9:00 a.m.** for all heirs and parties-in-interest to the estate at the Commission's office located at: 3759 W. Mason Street, Ridgeview Plaza, Suite #1, Oneida, WI 54155.

Inquiries for additional information may be directed to:**Administrator/Clerk**
Oneida Appeals Commission
P.O. Box 19
Oneida, WI 54155
(920) 497-5800

Legal Notice

Oneida Appeals Commission
Original Hearing Body

Notice of Judgements Granted

Re: Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin vs Various Individuals

A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by the Oneida Tribe for judgement against them. Notices were returned by U.S. Post Office as unclaimed, unknown or no forwarding address.

9-26-06: **Jordan, Darrick**, 06-TC-073; **Migel, Rositta**, 06-TC-076; **Powless, Juanita**, 06-TC-78; **Swamp, Kelly**, 06-TC-081

Hearings were held on the date stated, for all parties listed, at the Commission office; located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite # 1; 3759 W. Mason St.; Oneida WI 54155

For specific questions about this judgement, settlement or payment arrangements, please contact Diana Westcott, Accounting Department at (920) 490-3556. If you have questions on the process, feel free to contact the Clerk or Administrator, Oneida Appeals Commission office at **(920) 497-5800**

Board Vacancy

Oneida Cemetery Board:
One(1) vacancy

Qualifications:

Their shall be six (6) members who shall make up the Oneida Tribe Cemetery Board

Shall serve a lifetime term

Shall meet whenever a burial is requested by the kin or other interested party for a deceased Oneida Indian or other person permitted.

Shall be responsible to maintain vital statistics of the deceased and to report such information as may be required by the Oneida Tribe.

The Board or it's delegates shall control the cemetery and beautify the same and may establish regulations respecting it.

Deadline date 12/11/06

Oneida Library Board:
One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:

a. Shall serve a three (3) year term
b. Must be on the official roll of the Oneida Nation of Indians of Wisconsin and eligible to vote
c. Shall be a patron of the Oneida Community Library who is on the official patron list of the Oneida Community Library
d. Shall, as part of the board, monitor and advise programs, services and acquisitions of the print and non-print materials provided to library clientele.

Closing date of November 13, 2006

Committee Vacancies

Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee (PAC):
Three (3) Vacancies

Qualifications:

Shall serve a two (2) year term

Shall be a parent of the Airport Road Child Care Center or be a member of the Social & Human Services Program (Indian Child Welfare, Child Protective Board, Oneida Community Health Center, Legal or Educational Institutions, etc.

Purpose: We provide the highest quality educational and support services to all children and families. We empower the children through the use of developmentally appropriate practices. Our practices reflect the unique culture heritage of the Oneida Community and build the foundation for the next Seven Generations.

Deadline date of 12/11/06.

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NEXT DEADLINE
is...**Wednesday**
November 1st, 2006
@ 4:30 P.M. with a
PUBLISH DATE
of...**Thursday,**
November 9th, 2006
Questions, please call: **920-869-4280, 4279** or **4277**
Toll Free: 1.800.236.2214 ext. 4277, 4279 or 4280

Employment Opportunity

The Lakeshore Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or other applicable legislated categories, in its services, employment programs and/or its educational program and activities, including but not limited to admissions, treatment, and access. Inquiries regarding nondiscrimination policies are handled by the Affirmative Action Office, 1290 North Avenue, Cleveland WI 53015, phone 920.693.1000 or 888.468.6582.

Job Title:

Adjunct Instructor, Adult Basic Education

Job Description:

Provide individual and small group instruction for students studying Adult Basic Education (ABE), General Education Development (GED) and/or High School Equivalency Diploma

Qualifications:

Education (one of the following degrees is required):

A. Secondary degree with a major or minor in math or science.
B. Elementary Education degree.
C. Degree in Adult Education.
D. Degree in Special Education.

II. Experience:

A. Minimum of two years full-time teaching experience or part-time equivalency.
B. Experience working with disadvantaged at-risk students from various backgrounds.
C. Interest and/or experience teaching math beneficial.
D. One year (2000 hours) of occupational experience outside the field of education.

III. Other:

A. Must have a strong knowledge of computer software (i.e. Microsoft Office Suite).
B. Must demonstrate strong Math and English skills.
C. Ability to relate successfully with students and staff of diverse cultural, social or educational backgrounds.
D. Fluent, bilingual individual who has experience working with culturally diverse populations is desirable.

Salary Expectation:
Per Adjunct Instructional Salary Schedule

LOCATION:
EvenStart - Early Learning Center:
1227 Wilson Avenue
Sheboygan, WI 53081

Recruitment Period:
Beginning: Friday, October 13, 2006

Closing:
Until position is filled

Application Process:

To obtain a copy of our online application form please visit LTCís website at www.gotoltc.com or simply call the Human Resources Department toll-free 888.468.6582, ext. 1863 to request an application form to be sent.

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Business Opportunity

New Web site promotes Minority Business Enterprise Program

•Provides information and opportunities to qualified minority–owned businesses interested in selling their goods and services to WisDOT

•Suppliers and vendors can now go online to reference detailed information regarding the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) program. Visitors can easily find out

•what commodities WisDOT routinely purchases,
•who to contact,
•how to use the state's VendorNet system,
•how to become a Wisconsin-certified MBE, and more!

"We are very excited about the development of this site," says Division of Business Management Administrator Brenda Brown. "Our goal is to provide a one-stop shop, where minority-owned businesses can efficiently and easily access the information they need to get started in selling their goods and services to the department. We welcome all potential vendors who can fulfill our purchasing and technology requirements, on a competitive basis, to introduce their businesses to us."

WisDOT is committed to the development of significant and mutually beneficial relationships with minority-owned businesses that can add value to the department and help achieve the department's mission of "providing leadership in the development and operation of a safe and efficient transportation system."

Access the site at ="http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/business/mbe/index.htm"MACROBUTTONHtmlResAnchorwww.dot.wisconsin.gov/business/mbe/index.htm

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The Oneida Tribe has the discretion to pull positions prior to the deadline date.

How to Apply
In person at:
Human Resource Department
2630 West Mason Street
Green Bay, Wisconsin
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday
or
Fax your completed application (and resume)
to (920) 496-7911
or
Applications (and resume) may also be mailed to:
Human Resource Department
PO Box 365
Oneida, WI 54155-0365

Applications must be received prior to or on the closing date.

Human Resource Department Mission Statement
To provide quality service in all personnel operations with integrity, responsiveness and sensitivity to our customers.

Tinos Thunderhawk Times

Football and volleyball close out

By Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

The fall sports at ONHS have come to an end.

The girls went to their regional game on Tuesday October 17th at Gibralter. They did well, but lost 0-3.

The boys last game was in Michigan's U.P. where they also lost–39 Bark River Harris, 13 Oneida T-Hawks.

Everybody is happy with their season. Both the teams did well overall.

Next year looks like a rebuilding year for both football and volleyball. The girls are losing four seniors this year: Lois, Twyla, Lenita, and Crystal. The boys are losing seven seniors: Darrell, Eddie, Joe, Sapatis, Earl, Clifford, and Freddie.



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

The Oneida Thunderhawks celebrate the first victory in seven years over the Menominee Eagles

I Am Legal, Baby

by Shakira Stevens
ONHS senior

Some of Oneida's students plan on voting this year for the first time, thanks to turning the big "one-eight."

ONHS senior, John Christjohn, said that by voting he could "put his own input on the world.."

Students from ONHS attended a rally at the Radisson, where John Gard and Steven Kagen, candidates for Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional district, debate.

The rally featured guest speakers Ernie Stevens Jr., Donsia Strong-Hill, Joe Garcia, and former Green Bay Mayor Paul Jadin.

Senior Twyla Danforth said the debate "was good.." She liked "seeing the two candidates go back and forth with each other."

The debate at the Radisson showed many ONHS students the importance of voting–if not now, then in the future, when they, too, "are legal."

Downtown Oneida

By Martin D. Stevens Jr.
ONHS sophomore

What is "Downtown Oneida"?

That's exactly what ONHS journalism students are trying to figure out.

We are going to make a movie about "Downtown Oneida." It all started when our teacher, Denis Gullickson, said we were going to "make a movie about Downtown Oneida." We all laughed and wondered what he was talking about, "Downtown Oneida"!

Then we got thinking, trying to figure out what to cover in this movie.

Should we just do the "hilltop" of Oneida, or should we branch out and cover the other buildings like the old health center and the Oneida Museum? By "hilltop I mean like the places that use to be a big hit only until a couple years ago like Beavers, Mike & Diane's, Schroeders, and The Trading Post.

Now there's White Eagles that just recently reopened just down the hill which drew away the attention big time from Beavers.

With the movie we're trying to think of what all to cover on the video.

The video is going to be a documentary of downtown Oneida since the day we got here in Wisconsin to present day, to see what changed over the years.

Right now we are going to find human and internet resources for the video. We are trying to do a movie like Ken Burns has done in his movies. Ken Burns has done movies that are fact and are all based on true happenings.

So, in a year or two, the movie should be done and ready for the everybody to see. It will be a one- of-a-kind masterpiece.

Winter sports begin

By Twyla Danforth
ONHS senior

Winter sports are starting.

Girls basketball starts November 6, boys basketball starts November 13, and wrestling also starts November 13.

Every team is looking forward to having a good season.

The boys have four returning basketball starters: Truman Powless, Nick Cantu, Darrell Skenandore and Freddie Hernandez. The boys are looking for some of the other players to possibly step up and fill Gavin Hill's spot.

This is the first year in three years that they have a returning head coach, Scott Muray. Murray will be assisted by Tek Skenadore and Hudson Denny who will also serve as the new JV coach.

They will have two returning seniors, Freddie and Darrell, and one new senior, Joe Christjohn. The boys first game is a "tourney" at Kohler on December 1st.

The girls basketball team has four returning starters: Lois Stevens, Debbie Santiago, Luanne Funmaker and Twyla Danforth.

The girls team is also looking for some players to step up the take Stakwas Danforth's spot.

The members of the team are all hoping for Debbie to "come out her shell" this year.

The girls are also looking at the twins, LuAnne and RaeAnne, to come and show what they got. We are also looking for Tanya Christjohn to step up, so we have another threat in the post.

The team has three returning seniors; Lois, Twyla and Shakira. The girls' first basketball game is November 21 at home against Tigerton.

The wrestling team has four wrestlers returning and a couple of new ones.

The wrestling team has lost a big part of their team. Eddie Metoxen (the chosen one) is out for the year due to torn A.C.L., M.C.L., and Meniscus.

The team still looks strong, however. The returning wrestlers are Sean Metoxen, Michael Stevens, Lakwaho McLester and Eddie will still participate as the Manager.

The team is looking forward the upcoming season, and plan to do very well this year.

Paper Airplane History

By Eldon Powless
ONHS sophomore

I made a paper airplane in one of my classes the other day.

It got me to thinking. What's the history of paper-airplane making?

Like everything else these days, I found the information on Google.

The history of paper airplanes seems to go back as far as the first pages made out of papyrus which were tossed out.

We know that the first flying devices used were paper kites in China about 2000 years ago. Early hot air balloons were also made out of paper in the late 1700s. The first balloons that carried people were made out cloth-lined with paper.

The origin of paper airplanes is not very clear. The earliest known reference to paper airplanes is that an early airplane designer, Jack Northrop, used paper airplanes in the 1930's to help him with his ideas for flying wing airplanes.

The next time I decide to fold a paper airplane, I will remember some of these facts.

An NFL Prediction that will never come true

By Nick Cantu
ONHS junior

I think the Arizona Cardinals are going to go all the way to the Super Bowl.

They're doing so well this year because they've got Larry Fitzgerald, Anquan Boldin and Edgerrin James.

They have an easy schedule this year, but they're just like the Green Bay Packers. They have a young and inexperienced line and they have to improve so Quarterback Matt Leinart can get the ball off with out rushing the throw almost every time.

The cardinals are 1-7 right now. They had their chance to beat the undefeated Chicago Bears at home but they blew it in the fourth quarter and they got beat 23-16.

They also had their chance to beat the St. Louis Rams but choked in that game, too, and got beat 14-16.

So, I think they're going all the way to the Super Bowl. Not. This is just a fun prediction.

Owiskal Kohsatas

By Andrew Sitting Bear
ONHS senior

Kohsatas. The noble horse. Denis has sixteen horses. The white horses have brown dots on them. Denis also has brown horses. He has a little donkey named Eeyore. The horses don't always listen to Denis. They scrape their teeth on his tractor. Still, he likes them.

Swingin' like monkeys

By Shakira Stevens
ONHS senior

The student council had our first field trip on Tuesday, October 24.

We went to the ropes course at The Oneida Fitness Center.

The purpose of the ropes course was for character building. The members of student council are the leaders of the school so it is important for them to be able to be leaders.

Debbie Santiago, 11th grade treasurer, said the ropes course was "fun."

Personally, I thought that it helped us to be able to find ways to work together and conquer our problems and conquer our fears, like heights.

Lois Stevens, Student Council President, said that the ropes course "was awesome."

I would recommend the ropes course for wanna-be-monkeys and for character building because it was very fun.

Adrian Goes to L.A.

By Twyla Danforth
ONHS senior

Lynn Adrian, ONHS teacher, went to L.A. recently to sell/promote her screenplay. The screenplay, called Undisturbed Cities, is about a mother, Cathleen, raising three children with a disorder called D.I.D. (Disassociative Identity Disorder) and the challenges associated with the disorder.

Ethan, another character, is a Ho-Chunk counselor of adolescents. In the screenplay, Ethan describes the mind as "an adaptive playground." He promotes the idea that the mind requires the box for safe, happy living. He says that if a child has a box "too big and is too busy looking for the corners and safe sides of the walls" that this is a neglect of child's needed safe boundaries.

Lynn wrote a book back in 1989 at UWGB as Independent Study. Her screenplay is based on the book.



Lynn Adrian

It took Lynn one year to write the screenplay, and in 2004 it was copyrighted.

We all hope the best for her in selling and promoting her screenplay.

Lynn said that the difference between a book and a screenplay is that, a screenplay is more of a dialog and has more action.

2007 girls basketball schedule

Tuesday, November 21
Tigerton, Home , 6/7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 28
Lena, Away, 6/7:30 p.m.

Friday, December 1
Kohler T'ment (Kohler), Away, j.v.-4:30, Var.-6:15

Saturday, December 2
Kohler T'ment (TBA), Away TBA

Tuesday, December 5
Green Bay NEW Lutheran, Away, 6/7:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 7
Wolf River Lutheran (varsity only), Home, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, December 12
Menominee Indian, Away, 6 p.m.
Friday, December 15
Lac Courte Oreilles, Away, 6 p.m.

Thursday, December 21
Marinette Catholic Central, Away, 6/7:30 p.m.

December 29-30
Gresham T'ment, Away, TBA

Tuesday, January 2
Laona, Home, 5:30/7 p.m.

Thursday, January 11
Bowler, Home, 6/7:30 p.m

Thursday, January 18
Gibraltar, Home, 5/6:30 p.m.

Friday, Jauary 26
Milw. Destiny (varsity only), Home, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 30
Tri-County, Home, 6/7:30 p.m.

Friday, Febuary 2
Milw. Maasai Institute (varsity only), Home, 6 p.m.

Friday, Febuary 16
Lac Courte Oreilles (varsity only), Home, 6:00 p.m.

Feb. 22, 24, & 26
1st. Rd. Regionals, 2nd Rd. & Reg. Finals, TBA, 7:00 p.m.

March 3 & 5
Sectionals & Sectionals Finals TBA, 7:00 p.m.

March 11 &12 (Fri.-Sat.)
State Championships
Kohl Center(Madison), TBA

Wisconsin servicemen and women killed in action in Iraq and Afghanistan

By The Associated Press

Sixty-one Wisconsin residents have died as a result of service in Iraq. They are:

Marine Sgt. Luke J. Zimmerman, 24, of Luxemburg, died on Oct. 27, 2006.

Army Cpl. Kenneth Cross, 21, of Superior, died Aug. 27, 2006.

Army Pfc. Shaun Novak, 21, of Two Rivers, died Aug. 27, 2006.

Army Spc. Ryan Jopek, 20, of Merrill, died Aug. 1, 2006.

Army Spc. 4 Steve Castner, 27, of Cedarburg, died July 24, 2006.

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Jaime S. Jaenke, 29, of Bay City, died June 5, 2006.

Army Pfc. Grant Allen Dampier, 25, of Merrill, died May 15, 2006.

Army Pfc. Eric D. Clark, 22, of Pleasant Prairie, died May 11, 2006.

Army Sgt. Nathan J. Vacho, 29, of Janesville, died May 5, 2006.

Marine Lance Cpl. Eric A. Palmisano, 27, of Florence, died April 2, 2006.

Marine Lance Cpl. Adam J. VanAlstine, 21, of Superior, died Feb. 25, 2006.

Marine Sgt. Andy A. Stevens, 29, of Tomah, died Dec. 1, 2005

Army Pfc. Anthony Alex Gaunky, 19, of Sparta, died Nov. 18, 2005.

Army Spc. Benjamin A. Smith, 21, of Hudson, died Nov. 2, 2005.

Army Sgt. 1st Class Matthew R. Kading, 32, of Madison, died Nov. 1, 2005.

Army Spc. Michael Wendling, 20, of Mayville, died Sept. 26, 2005.

Army Sgt. Andy Wallace, 25, of Oshkosh, died Sept. 26, 2005.

Army Sgt. 1st Class Trevor J. Diesing, 30, of Plum City, died Aug. 25, 2005.

Marine Staff Sgt. Chad J. Simon, 32, of Monona, died Aug. 4, 2005.

Army Capt. Benjamin D. Jansky, 28, of Oshkosh, died July 27, 2005.

Army Spc. John O. Tollefson, 22, of Fond du Lac, died July 27, 2005.

Army Spc. Charles A. Kaufman, 20, of Fairchild, died June 26, 2005.

Marine Lance Cpl. John J. Mattek Jr., 24, of Stevens Point, died June 13, 2005.

Army Spc. Eric Poelman, 21, of Racine, died June 5, 2005.

Chief Warrant Officer Joshua Scott, 28, of Sun Prairie, died May 27, 2005.

Sgt. Mark Maida, 22, of Madison, died May 26, 2005.

Sgt. Andrew Bossert, 24, of Fountain City, died March 7, 2005.

Sgt. 1st Class Donald W. Eacho, 38, of Black Creek, died March 4, 2005.

Marine Lance Cpl. Travis M. Wichlacz, 22, of West Bend, died Feb. 5, 2005.

Staff Sgt. Todd Olson, 36, of Loyal, of the Wisconsin National Guard, died Dec. 26, 2004.

Marine Pfc. Brent Vroman, 21, of Omro, died Dec. 13, 2004.

Marine Lance Cpl. Richard D. Warner, 22, of Waukesha, died Dec. 13, 2004.

Marine Lance Cpl. Ryan Cantafio, 22, of Beaver Dam, died Nov. 25, 2004.

Marine Sgt. Benjamin Edinger, 24, of Green Bay, died Nov. 23, 2004.

Army Pfc. Isaiah Hunt 20, of Suamico, died Nov. 14, 2004.

Marine Cpl. Brian P. Prening, 24, of Sheboygan County, died Nov. 12, 2004.

Army Reserves Staff Sgt. Todd R. Cornell, 38, of West Bend, died Nov. 9, 2004.

Marine Cpl. Bobby Warns, 23, of Waukesha, died Nov. 8, 2004.

Marine Lance Cpl. Shane K. O'Donnell, 24, of DeForest, died Nov. 8, 2004.

Marine Lance Cpl. Daniel R. Wyatt, 22, of Racine, died Oct. 12, 2004.

Marine Pfc. Andrew Halverson, 19, of Muscoda, died Oct. 9, 2004.

Marine Cpl. Adrian V. Soltau, 21, of Milwaukee, died Sept. 13, 2004.

Army Staff Sgt. Stephen G. Martin, 39, of Rhinelander, died July 2, 2004.

Army Sgt. Charles Kiser, 37, of Cleveland, died June 24, 2004.

Army Spc. Michael McGlothin, 21, of Milwaukee, died April 17, 2004.

Army Spc. Michelle Witmer, 20, of New Berlin, died April 9, 2004.

Marine Cpl. Jesse Thiry, 23, of Casco, died April 6, 2004.

Marine Pfc. Ryan Jerabek, 18, of Hobart, died April 6, 2004.

Army Pfc. Sean Schneider, 22, of Janesville, died March 29, 2004.

Army Capt. John F. Kurth, 31, of Columbus, died March 13, 2004.

Spc. Bert E. Hoyer, 23, an Army reservist from Ellsworth, died March 10, 2004.

Pfc. Nichole M. Frye, 19, an Army reservist from Lena, died Feb. 16, 2004.

Maj. Christopher J. Splinter, 43, of Platteville, died Dec. 24, 2003.

Army Pfc. Rachel Bosveld, 19, of Waupun, died Oct. 26, 2003.

Army 2nd Lt. Jeremy L. Wolfe, 27, of Menomonie, died Nov. 15, 2003.

Army Spc. Eugene A. Uhl III, 21, of Amherst, died Nov. 15, 2003.

Army Sgt. Warren S. Hansen, 36, of Clintonville, died Nov. 15, 2003.

Army Spc. Paul J. Sturino, 21, of Rice Lake, died Sept. 22, 2003.

Army Reservist Dan Gabrielson, 40, of Frederic, died July 9, 2003.

Army Maj. Mathew Schram, 36, of Brookfield, died May 26, 2003.

Marine Sgt. Kirk Straseskie, 23, of Beaver Dam, died May 19, 2003.

Six Wisconsin residents have died as a result of service in Afghanistan. They are:

Sgt. 1st Class Merideth Howard, 52, of Waukesha, died Sept. 8, 2006

Senior Airman Adam Servais, 23, of Onalaska, died Aug. 19, 2006

Army Staff Sgt. Patrick L. Lybert, 28, of Ladysmith, died June 21, 2006.

Marine Lance Cpl. Nicholas Anderson, 21, of Sauk City, died March 13, 2006.

Marine Lance Cpl. Ryan J. Nass, 21, of Franklin, died Sept. 3, 2005.

Army Spc. Robert Cook, 24, of Sun Prairie, died Jan. 29, 2004.

Veterans open 3 Sisters pow-wow





Veterans from all over the state, above, participated in the Grand Entry at the 3-Sisters Pow-wow on Sat October 28. Specialist RJ Vandehei, left, recently returned from duty over seas to join the celebration as a flag bearer. Sergeant Deke Suri, right, also is a recent returnee from duty over seas.
In addition, Lee Mclester, not pictured, who also recently came home, was present as a flag bearer. All three returnees were awarded Eagle feathers.



Sgt. Klitzka deployed to Iraq

Army Reserve Sgt. Nicholes W. Klitzka has deployed overseas to a forward-operating location in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Operation Iraqi Freedom is the official name given to military operations involving members of the U.S. armed forces and coalition forces participating in efforts to free and secure Iraq. Mission objectives focus on force protection, peacekeeping, stabilization, security and counter-insurgency operations. Klitzka is a water purification specialist normally assigned to the 998th Quartermaster Company, Junction City, Wis.

He is the son of Peter J. Klitzka of Shady Drive, Oneida, Wis., and Roxeanne M. Brown of North Sixth St., Wausau, Wis.

The sergeant is a 2000 graduate of Wausau East High School, Wausau.

★★★ VETERANS' DAY ★★★
★★★ Celebration ★★★

The Oneida VFW Post 7784 was authorized to organize and be constituted on November 12th 1946. The original charter members were:

★ Rupert Adams ★ Emerson (Archie) Archiquette
★ Pierce Baird (He donated the land at our present location)
★ Frank Bear ★ David Cannon ★ Roderick Cornelius
★ Rimton Doxtator ★ Roy Huff ★ Russell John
★ Edwin King ★ Raymond King ★ John Powless
★ Leland Powless ★ Artley Skenandore ★ Abraham Webster
and ★ Woodrow (Woody) Webster.

We have 4 charter members with us and they are:
Roy Huff, David Cannon, Edwin King and Woody.

This year…We celebrate our 60th anniversary

We would like to invite the community to the Oneida VFW Post 7784 Open House this Veterans Day on ***Saturday • November 11, 2006*** *for some Booyah, Boiled Dinner, good conversation and maybe a game or two of Cribbage.*

If you have old pictures of past VFW members/activities please bring them along to share with our community. We will start serving around noon and continue till around 1600/1700 hrs.

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Charlotte Lou Tekanlahtata·ses Skenandore

Charlotte Lou Tekanlahtata.ses was born October 9, 2006 to Lee & Racheal Skenandore at 7:52 am at St. Anthony Hospital in Crown Point, Indiana, and was 9lbs, 8oz and 20" at birth.

The proud grandparents are Norbert and Diane Skenandore of Oneida, Wisconsin.

Desmond Gavin Stokes

Desmond Gavin Stokes was born to Jayne Danforth & Terrence Stokes on Thursday, September 7th, 2006. He weighed 10 lbs 8oz and measured 21 inches at birth.

Desmond's proud grandparents are Geraldine and Joe Danforth, and he has one sibling, Terrence.

Happy Birthday Aknuhal!



Huggs and Kisses,
Pedro, Devonte and Dante
and Cindy, Jeff and Dawn and Chris

Happy 16th Birthday Pedro



Happy Goldenly Sweet 16th Birthday!
Love Mom, Devonte, Dante, and Dexi, Gramma, Papa and Dawn and Chris

Happy 4th Birthday Caleb Aguirre



Love Mommy & Daddy

Congratulations Jianna Hill



on placing 1st in the Punt, Pass & Kick Competition in Seymour. Jianna went on to place 1st again in the same competition at UW Platteville.

Love Mom, Dad, Jerrel & Nasiah, Grandpas & Grandmas

Happy 1st Birthday Riley Aguirre



Love Mommy & Daddy

Happy Birthday Lloyd Butch King

on November 4th

Love
Kim & Kids

Happy 1st Birthday Nodin Patrick Phillip Elm

on November 5th



❤ Love ❤
Daddy, Mommy, Teighlor & Dakota

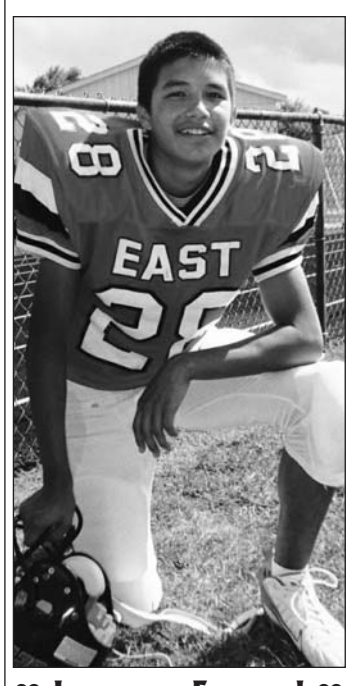
Happy Birthday Louis E. Webster

on November 6th

Love
Kim & Kids

Happy 15th Birthday

to my Son
Trevor Joseph John Moses
on November 30th!



❤ Love you Forever! ❤
Mom, Kirby, & Liana
Also, Hugs & Kisses from your niece Carmella...

Happy 9th Birthday

to my Godchild
Cree Tubby
❤ Love you...
Uncle Kirby

December events calender

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

"Tell your friends about our friends!"

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Wolves - A Shy Creature in the Wild
Monday, December 4, 2006 at 10 a.m. and again Monday, December 18, 2006 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families can learn about wolves during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the short stories "The Eyes of Gray Wolf" by Jonathon London and "Look to the North" by Jean Craighead George. After the stories, the youngsters will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671.**

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Hipptiy Hop: Christmas for the Birds
Tuesday, December 5, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

During the holiday season, it's important not to forget about the birds in your own backyard. At this program you will have the chance to make a simple bird feeder to take home to your birds or leave for the Sanctuary's birds. Cost is $4 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $6 per non-resident. Please call **(920) 391-3671** to pre-register.

For more information, call **(920) 391-3671.**
Visit the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary web-site at:
www.baybeachwildlife.com

kalihwisaks 2007 Schedule

DEADLINE	PUBLISH
November 15, 2006	Wed., Nov. 22, 2006*
November 29, 2006	**December 7, 2006**
December 13, 2006	December 21, 2006
December 27, 2006	**Friday, Jan. 4, 2007***
January 10, 2007	January 18, 2007
January 24, 2007	**February 1, 2007**
February 7, 2007	February 15, 2007
February 21, 2007	**March 1, 2007**
March 7, 2007	March 15, 2007
March 21, 2007	**March 29, 2007**
April 4, 2007	April 12, 2007
April 18, 2007	**April 26, 2007**
May 2, 2007	May 10, 2007
May 16, 2007	**May 24, 2007**
May 30, 2007	Wed., June 6, 2007*
June 13, 2007	**June 21, 2007**
June 27, 2007	July 5, 2007
July 11, 2007	**July 19, 2007**
July 26, 2007	August 3, 2007
August 8, 2007	**August 16, 2007**
August 22, 2007	August 30, 2007
September 5, 2007	**September 13, 2007**
September 19, 2007	September 27, 2007
October 3, 2007	**October 11, 2007**
October 17, 2007	October 25, 2007
October 31, 2007	**November 8, 2007**
November 14, 2007	Wed. Nov. 21, 2007*
November 28, 2007	**December 6, 2007**
December 12, 2007	December 20, 2007
December 26, 2007	**January 3, 2008**

The deadline dates above are the dates that material must be submitted to the Kalihwisaks Office. Deadline dates are Wednesdays (every other) unless otherwise noted, and Publish dates are Thursdays (every other), unless otherwise noted*. Material can be dropped off at the Kalihwisaks Office, Room 1400 (Basement Level) of the Norbert Hill Center, located at N7210 Seminary Road, or mailed to: Kalihwisaks, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155. Information may also be sent via e-mail or phoned in to: Dawn Walschinski, Ph. #869-4277; Yvonne Kaquatosh, Ph. #869-4280; or Steve Gandy, Ph. #869-4279. You may also call Debbie, 920-869-4340 or 1-800-236-2214. The Kalihwisaks fax # is: 920-869-4252. Material must be received no later than 4:30 P.M. on the scheduled deadline dates. This is only a tentative schedule. If changes in the schedule are necessary, the revised schedule will appear in the Kalihwisaks.

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Click on Departments (at the top)
Select **Language Revitalization** and then language lessons.

Education

Christnot receives Head Start Fellowship

Submitted by John Pavek
Director of Oneida Head Start

Joan Christnot has been selected to be a fellow with the National Head Start Office in Washington, DC. She is assigned to work with the American Indian/Alaska Native Division of Head Start.

Christnot has worked for the Oneida Tribe for over 10 years, and with the Oneida Head Start for six years. She beat out two other finalists for the assignment which included Lisa Aho also of the Oneida Head Start Program.

Established in 1995, the National Head Start Fellowships Program offers the opportunity to gain first-hand experience and a national perspective on the Office of Head Start and other Federal programs serving children and families.

Ten fellowships were awarded on the basis of demonstrated commitment to the field of early childhood development and education and professional contributions for the term October 2006 - September 2007.

Youth earn 500 badges

Submitted by Mandy Schneider
Civic Center Learning Center

Hurray! The youth at the Civic Center have reached their goal of 500 character development badges this month. Way to go everyone! The member of the month earning 26 badges is Alana Dallas, and the overall character guru is Jairica Christjohn who earned 42 of the 500 character badges. Awesome Job Girls, Keep Up the Good Work.

As always, homework help is going strong in the learning center. The end of a grading period is here. So, those of you that do your homework with me do not forget to bring in your report cards so that I can keep track of your progress, give out awards for those of you who used the learning center the most this grading period, and give out gift certificates for those of you who receive a grade of C or higher on your report cards.

Also, teens, do not forget that the learning center is here to help you with everything from homework, filling out college applications, to searching for an apartment.

So, come on down and visit the learning center at the civic center there is something here for everyone.

22nd annual ONES Science Fair

The 22nd annual Oneida Nation Elementary School Science Fair for grades 5-12 will be held on Thursday, December 14, 2006. Public viewing will be from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Small Gym.

The awards assembly will be at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, December 15, 2006 in the Big Gym.

We are seeking individuals who want to be a judge for our Oneida Nation School System Science Fair. Judges are responsible for scoring student projects. Previous experience is not required.

Judging will run from 7:45am to 12 pm on Thursday, December 14th. A Continental Breakfast and Lunch will be provided. If you are interested in being a judge, please contact Tracy Christensen at **tchriste@oneidanation.org** or **(920)869-1676 ex.174** by Friday, December 1st.

Thank you in advance for your commitment to the students of the Oneida Nation School System.

College of the Menominee Nation expands library

Submitted by Dr. Verna Fowler and Dr. Donna Powless
College of the Menominee Nation

College of Menominee Nation (CMN) has been awarded a $1.5 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Title III Part A to construct phase one of a three phase library project. "A growing student enrollment and expanding academic programming at the College has placed an increasing demand on our current library and its collections," said Dr. Verna Fowler, President of College of Menominee Nation. "This grant will allow for critical expansion of the facility."

A college library is a vital resource that students and faculty rely on for independent research, curriculum development and studies. The current one room library does not have the infrastructure to grow simultaneously with student enrollment and academic programming. Due to space constraint, CMN has been limited in their ability to provide book and media collections, computer workstations and study areas.

The new facility will increase the library's usable space to approximately 12,000 square feet, allowing for essential growth of CMN's book and media collections that will support continued development of CMN's academic programming. To assist in the collection of library holdings, an additional FY2005 Department of Education grant award permits CMN to purchase over $50,000 in library materials annually until 2010. "Both projects will contribute significantly to the continued success of our students," said Dr. Fowler.

Phase one of the library project will also allow CMN to move closer to its long term goal of establishing a community archive. The College has been actively researching, exploring and inventorying Menominee historical materials in collaboration with the Newberry Library of Chicago to enhance its humanities education and to achieve its strategic goal to serve as a repository for the knowledge of Menominee Culture.

CMN also recently received a $300,000 grant award from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development to expand its Building Trades Center.

Cayman enjoys Racine Scouts Bugle and Drum Corps

Submitted by Jennifer Hargrove

This past spring, my son Cayman Berg-Hargrove was invited to try out for the Racine Scouts Bugle and Drum Corps by his band teacher at the Turtle School, Andrea Birbilis. Cayman went down to Racine with Andrea and a few other students from the Turtle School on the weekends to try out and see if this was something he would be interested in for the summer. It turned out that he loved it. So for the majority of the summer he was down in Racine practicing and touring the Midwest with the Drum Corps.

My husband and I were invited to come down and stay with the Corps whenever we wanted to, and we were informed of every show, which gave us the opportunity to see our son perform. Going down and staying the night with them at their summer facility gave us a chance to see where Cayman was spending the majority of his time and meet all of the staff and other Corps members. Everyone was extremely welcoming and very enthusiastic about what they were doing. I was really impressed. It was not until I saw first hand what the Racine Scouts Bugle and Drum Corps was all about that I felt completely reassured that my son was part of something really great.

Cayman had the opportunity to meet new friends from other areas, he has learned to be more responsible for himself, and amazingly in only a couple of months he learned to play another instrument. The Corps members work very hard, practicing for their shows. They not only have to learn their music but also their marching routines. This program was more than just something to do for the summer it gave my son something else to be proud of and look forward to.

In addition to commending Cayman on all his accomplishments this summer, including a solo at the World Championships in Madison, WI, I would also like to thank Andrea for all of her hard work. She kept in contact with me all summer and always reassured me that Cayman was doing great. I was naturally worried a lot because he had never been gone from home for so long and so far. All of the other staff members I met were also really great and I appreciated all they did. Drum Corps is providing a wonderful opportunity for these kids.

I know that the Drum Corps is currently looking for new members, if anyone is interested or has any questions I am willing to share my personal experience as a parent. You can contact me at **jhargrov@oneidanation.org**. Also, watch for our fundraisers throughout the school year, we will be working to raise money for the membership fee, which includes the Drum Corps. trip to the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, CA, to compete in the 2007 Championships.



Photo courtesy of Jennifer Hargrove

Cayman Berg-Hargrove plays the baritone horn with the Racine Scouts Bugle and Drum Corps.

CMN receives Youth Empowerment Grant

By Lisa W. Lyons
College of Menominee Nation

The College of Menominee Nation received a grant from the Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of $250,000 annually for the next three years. This project involves developing an after school program for middle school kids. The activities involved would include tutoring in math, science and English; as well as career and personal development. There will also be a number of field trips designed to expose youth to health care careers and the higher education needed for those careers. Taking part in cultural activities and learning traditional values is also big part of the program. Another part of the program involves a three week long day camp during the summers. The YEP program will be recruiting 25 middle school youth from the Menominee Tribal School and the Menominee Indian Middle School. The program is planned to begin in January of 2007.

There will be many benefits to both youth and the community. Just to note, some of these include:

- •Knowledge of gang issues
- •Decrease juvenile crime
- •Increase school attendance

The program involves many partners. The Education Outreach Department a CMN will be collaborating with the Woodland Boys and Girls Club, Menominee Tribal School, Menominee Indian School District, Maehnowesekiyah, and the Menominee Recreation Department.

If you have any other questions or comments please feel free to contact Youth Based Training Specialist, Lisa W. Lyons at **799-5600, ext. 3009**.

College Horizons offered for Native American high school students

A Pre-College Workshop For Native American Students College-bound Native American high school students are invited to participate in a five-day college preparation course this summer during seminars to be held at Harvard and Stanford universities.

Students who participate in College Horizons will work with college counselors and admission officers to help them with:

- •Selecting suitable colleges
- •Completing winning applications and write memorable essays
- •Learning what turns an applicant into an admitted student
- •Becoming a test-prep "whiz kid"
- •Finding the way through the financial aid and scholarship jungle

Students will also learn about various colleges and universities, and establish personal relationships with admission representatives and college counselors that will continue after the program is over.

Ninety students will be allowed to participate at each site. Please view at the College Horizons Web site to see which schools will be at the East Coast or West Coast seminar. Native American (enrolled members only), Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian sophomores and juniors with a minimum GPA of 3.0 (in academic courses) are eligible.

The College Horizons crash course is scheduled for the following dates:

- •JUNE 16-20, 2007 - Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
- •JUNE 23-27, 2007 - Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA

First round, priority receipt deadline is **February 1**; second round receipt deadline is **March 1**. Applications will be accepted on a space-available basis until May 1. After March 1, please contact College Horizons to see which site may still have spaces.

Cost is $150, which includes tuition, room, meals, all materials and transportation to campus from the Boston or San Francisco or San Jose airports. Students are responsible for their own airfare, but funding is available for travel and tuition assistance. Each year College Horizons awards travel assistance to more than 50 percent of its students. Students may indicate a site preference.

To download an application, go to **www.collegehorizons.org**. For questions contact, Dr. Whitney Laughlin, College Horizons executive director, or Christine Suina, coordinator, at : **CollegeHorizons@aol.com** or **(505) 401-3854.** Or write to **College Horizons, P.O. Box 1262, Pena Blanca, NM 87041.**

Collaborating partners of College Horizons include AIGC (American Indian Graduate Center), Winds of Change magazine, Harvard University, Stanford University, Princeton Review Foundation, the College Board and 41 of the nation's finest colleges and universities.

Oneida culture classes

The Oneida Cultural Heritage department invites community members to the "Oneida Culture Series" classes to be held at the Senior Center on Overland Road in the Pod A Conference Room (behind building by flag pole entrance). These classes will meet every Tuesday starting on November 14th from 6:30-8pm and will run until late spring. The series will begin with a series of discussions on the Iroquoian Creation Stories. For more information contact Randy Cornelius at **496-5388** or e-mail him at **rcornel4@oneidanation.org**

Fellowship Opportunity

White House Fellowship Program

Eligibility:
Applicant must be a U.S. citizen early in his/her career seeking the opportunity for direct participation in the work of the federal government. Fellows are drawn from all sectors (federal employees are ineligible, except for career military personnel of the armed services) and are assigned as assistants to the Vice President, a Cabinet member, or the President's staff. The President's Commission also provides an educational program for the fellows.

Selection Criteria:
Criteria include achievement, intellectual ability, evidence of leadership, and community involvement. Amount unlisted.

Deadline: November 15.

Contact:
President's Commission on White House Fellowships,
712 Jackson Place, NW,
Washington, DC 20503,
(202) 395-4522

Health

NHC staff work hard to provide healthy meal

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Hundreds of hungry families were fed again at this year's Family Feast. It was held on October 26 at the Norbert Hill Center Cafeteria.

The feast is a celebration of the fall harvest.

Dianne McCaigue, Food Service Manager, said she expected to serve 400-600 people during the event, "We have a steady stream of people that come in and it's just celebrating the fall harvest."

The staff at the NHC Cafeteria work all week in preparation for the event. On the day of the feast, it's common for the cooks to put in more than 15 hours.

Tudy Wheelock, head cook at NHC said, "It's a lot of work. About 15 hours the day of, and then the hours in the beginning of the week. It's a long week."

Attending this year's event was an eclectic mix of age groups, from the very young to the very wise all partook in the feast.

Among those in attendance were Katrina Williams and her son Nathan. "It was very delicious. We've come every year for the last . . . he's in the third grade, so this is the third year." Williams said.

In addition to the annual Family Feast, the staff at NHC Cafeteria is hard at work year round preparing food for other various programs throughout Oneida. During the school year they provide breakfast and lunch for the high school and the Turtle school along with providing meals and snacks for the daycare and Head Start programs.

"We have to supply all foods so it's between 500-600 people a day that I'm responsible for," McCaigue said.

It is the responsibility of McCaigue to master the balancing act of pleasing not only the consumers of the food, but also satisfying parents, the state and a nutritionist.

"Food service walks a thin line because you have to keep the tribal nutritionist, who makes up the menu, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI), the state that has control over us, parents who want healthier things, healthier food service, and students happy," McCaigue said.

McCaigue is licensed by the State of Wisconsin. Her former position in California as a Food Service Manager for a junior high has prepared her for the regulations that must be met in order to keep things running smoothly.

"I came in with the experience. I knew the fair share of the rulings of DPI and how we could be closed down if we don't follow their procedures. So I have to answer to the State, the school, the School Board," McCaigue said. "We are inspected, every 5-6 years, by DPI. We have to pass."

In addition to state inspections and guidelines, the staff th NHC Cafeteria also has to pass tribal inspections.

"The Tribal Sanitarium comes in at least twice a year and they inspect our refrigerators, our food, if everything is labeled, clean. And they give us sheets that they fill out and that's recorded and graded . . . We are inspected at least four times per year," McCaigue said.

"I have to try to please all these people, along with parents, parents especially and the good thing has been that everybody has started to jump on the bandwagon for nutrition. And they want the kids to eat healthier which is great, I agree with that," McCaigue explains. "We are trying to conform to everybody's needs but the problem is that we have to make sure it's within the DPI guidelines or we could be closed down."

The staff at NHC Cafeteria is a very dedicated group of individuals.

"The girls that work here take pride in what they do, especially my two cooks, Tudy Wheelock and Jackie Danforth," McCaigue continues. "I'm proud of my crew and I feel they never get enough recognition."



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Top: Fernando Coronado, above searches through the desserts for the one he likes best. Below: Liz Guzman, below, checks the temperature of squash in the NHC cafeteria's large oven. Workers in the cafeteria had worked hard all week in preparation for the Family Feast. The crew was prepared to serve 400 to 600 people that night.



Free on-line program for Native Americans living with diabetes

If you have been diagnosed with type 2 diabetes, you are invited to take part in this free online workshop and study sponsored by the Stanford University School of Medicine. Recruitment and enrollment is now open, go to http://indiandiabetes.stanford.edu [1] due to the high rates of diabetes among Native Americans, a special workshop will be offered for native Americans, which will be led by native American moderators representing different tribal groups from across the united states. This online workshop teaches you the skills needed in the day-to-day management of diabetes as well as maintaining or increasing life's activities. Qualified participants will be randomly assigned to either participate in the workshop immediately or placed on the waiting list to participate within 6 months. Participants will complete 4 online questionnaires about their health over 18 months to determine the effectiveness of the program.

This six-week program is done entirely on the Internet - you choose the days and times that are most convenient for you. You don't have to be a computer whiz to join; all levels of computer users are welcome. You will need access to the Internet and have an active email account to join. Participation involves logging on 2-3 times a week for six weeks, for a total of 1-2 hours a week. If you have questions, please email diabetes@med.stanford.edu [2] or call Valarie, Kate, Diana, or Katy toll free at 1-800-366-2624Pre-registration is required and enrollment is limited. To register, visit us at: http://indiandiabetes.stanford.edu [3] or email us atdiabetes@med.stanford.edu, for more information.

Food Safety Tips from the FDA regarding fresh produce

Submitted by Oneida Community Health Service Department

In light of recent outbreaks, FDA continues to emphasize consumer advice to reduce the risk of foodborne illness, including Salmonella-related illness, from fresh produce:

Buying Tips for Fresh Produce

- Purchase produce that is not bruised or damaged.
- When selecting fresh cut produce – such as a half a watermelon or bagged mixed salad greens – choose only those items that are refrigerated or surrounded by ice.
- Bag fresh fruits and vegetables separately from meat, poultry and seafood products when packing them to take home from the market.

Storage Tips for Fresh Produce

- Certain perishable fresh fruits and vegetables (like strawberries, lettuce, herbs, and mushrooms) can be best maintained by storing in a clean refrigerator at a temperature of 40o F or below.
- All produce that is purchased pre-cut or peeled should be refrigerated within two hours to maintain both quality and safety.
- Keep your refrigerator set at 40o F or below. Use a refrigerator thermometer to check.

Preparation Tips for Fresh Produce

- Many pre-cut, bagged produce items like lettuce are pre-washed. If so, it will be stated on the packaging. This pre-washed, bagged produce can be used without further washing.
- As an extra measure of caution, you can wash the produce again just before you use it. Pre-cut or pre-washed produce in open bags should be washed before using.
- Begin with clean hands. Wash your hands for 20 seconds with warm water and soap before and after preparing fresh produce.
- Cut away any damaged or bruised areas on fresh fruits and vegetables before preparing and/or eating. Produce that looks rotten should be discarded.
- All unpackaged fruits and vegetables, as well as those packaged and not marked pre-washed, should be thoroughly washed before eating. This includes produce grown conventionally or organically at home, or produce that is purchased from a grocery store or farmer's market. Wash fruits and vegetables under running water just before eating, cutting or cooking.
- Even if you plan to peel the produce before eating, it is still important to wash it first.
- Washing fruits and vegetables with soap or detergent or using commercial produce washes is not recommended.
- Scrub firm produce, such as melons and cucumbers, with clean produce brush.
- Drying produce with a clean cloth towel or paper towel may further reduce bacteria that may be present.

Separate for Safety

- Wash cutting boards, dishes, utensils and counter tops with hot water and soap between the preparation of raw meat, poultry and seafood products and the preparation of produce that will not be cooked.
- For added protection, kitchen sanitizers can be used on cutting boards and counter tops periodically. Try a solution of one teaspoon of chlorine bleach to one quart of water.
- If you use plastic or other non-porous cutting boards, run them through the dishwasher after use.



A Day Without Vitamin D is Like a Day Without Sunshine

Submitted by Carolyn Lenich
Dietetic Intern

With the long Midwest winters fast approaching, we need to be concerned about more than just the freezing temperatures and treacherous snow falls. The shorter days and lack of sunshine can also be bad for your bones; and not just because of all the falls taken while ice-skating. When there's no sunshine, your skin can't produce the "Sunshine Vitamin", also known as vitamin D. Since vitamin D works hand in hand with calcium, the bone builder, a lack of vitamin D can produce health risks such as osteoporosis and rickets. Therefore, living in the northern hemisphere requires consuming vitamin D from other sources, such as food or supplements.

Thanks to milk commercials and milk cartons, most people now know that milk is a good source of vitamin D. But if milk isn't an option, one can also get vitamin D from fortified orange juice, fortified cereals, oysters, and oily fish such as salmon or tuna. If you or your doctor are still worried you're not getting enough of the "Sunshine Vitamin", there's always the option of calcium supplements. To achieve optimal bone health, make sure the supplement you choose includes "vitamin D-3". You're also going to want to aim for a 500 mg supplement for each dose, since your body won't be able to process a higher dosage at one time.

Once you start incorporating these foods or supplements into your day, you can feel good knowing you're doing something healthy for your bones. At the end of the day, who wouldn't want to feel like they're "walking on sunshine?"

Daily Recommendations for Calcium Supplements:

Children:
1-3 years: 500 mg/day
4-8 years: 800 mg/day
9-18 years: 1,300 mg/day
Adults:
19-50 years: 1,000 mg/day

Community Flu Shot Clinic Schedule

We will **NOT** be holding flu clinics during our Tuesday walk-in immunization clinics. Please refer to the dates and times listed.

Feel free to call the Oneida Community Health Nursing Department at 869-4840 with further questions.

Date	Time
Wed. – Nov. 15, 2006	*3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.*
Wed.– Nov. 29, 2006	*7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.*

Community Flu clinic is located at:
ONEIDA *Community Health Center*
525 Airport Drive
Oneida, Wisconsin

Attention All Oneida Community Members

Starting in November, random community members will be receiving a questionnaire from St. Norbert's Survey Center in conjunction with Oneida Community Health. We ask that you take the time to complete the questionnaire regarding health care services and your health in a honest manner. The information that we obtain will be vital in future planning of programs and customer care at the Oneida Community Health Center. In appreciation of completing the Survey you will have the opportunity to enter a raffle for $20 - $100 Wal-Mart Gift Cards. Instructions will be included in the survey, if you have any questions about completing the survey or need assistance completing the survey feel free to call 869-4840

We thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the survey, your input will be very important to improving health care in the Oneida community.

Thank You
Community Needs Assessment Planning Committee
St. Norbert's Survey Center

Environmental/Sports

Adapting to change...



Bill Koonz
Specialist – Environmental Protection

Unlike many urban animals that arrived from Europe adapted to humans, native North American animals have only recently had to adapt to local environmental changes. These changes relate to climate but are more influenced by human land use.

For example, deer increased dramatically in northern Wisconsin after the forests were harvested providing new growth for food and cover. Wolf control also played a role in that increase. Deer were essentially nonexistent in southern Wisconsin until the late 1950's (when they began to use farm fields), opossums and wild turkeys were not present in central and northern Wisconsin until the late 1960's and large numbers of many bird species that traditionally migrated now stay the winter. Large segments of the mourning dove, junco, American goldfinch, and even American robin population attempts to winter here on the breeding grounds. Cardinals were rare on our farm adjoining the Menominee Indian Reservation in the 1950's but are common there now.

Birds adapt and fly. They can quickly increase their numbers by migration but they also have a high productivity rate that might include several nests in a breeding season. Mourning doves, for example, only produce two eggs per nest but they nest throughout the period between April and the end of September. The portion of the mourning dove population that remains here in the fall has a huge advantage over the portion that migrates. Those that stay use the habitat that they will occupy and breed in the following year. They will be familiar with the area and defend the best territories when the portion of the population that migrated returns. Those that stay avoid the hazards on route to and from the south. They will not need to adapt to unfamiliar surroundings, defend a territory on the wintering grounds or deal with predators there. If, however, those birds that do not migrate die, the migrant group returns to unoccupied prime breeding habitat and will quickly increase by producing multiple broods. A majority of their offspring will migrate along with their parents. It takes approximately one month for most songbirds to complete a nesting cycle (2 days to build the nest, 2-5 days to lay eggs, 11-13 days for incubation and 11-13 days to attain flight). Most songbirds do not care fore their young for more than a day or so after the young can fly. House wren males take the fledglings while the female lays the next clutch.

What factors allow large portions of bird populations to overwinter on the northern breeding grounds instead of migrating to more traditional wintering areas? Is it environmental conditions (weather/global warming)? Might it be land use practices (yards and farm fields)? Many people feed birds, urban areas provide places that are warmer and better protected than do rural areas and people are planting trees and shrubs that provide food and cover for wintering birds.

North American species (not starlings, pigeons, house sparrows, Norway rats or house mice from Europe), are adapting to human impacts on their environment. Canada geese now nest in various locations far south of their traditional nesting grounds, opossums recently extended their range northward several hundred miles, bald eagles nest close to human habitation and white-tailed deer have moved into urban areas. Thousands of gray squirrels, skunks, raccoons, cottontail rabbits, kestrels (sparrow hawks) and woodchucks live in Green Bay. Wild animals will continue to adapt. Urban environments are often preferred because food is abundant, hiding places abound and predators are largely lacking. Wildlife is all around us, watch for and enjoy it!

Native Invasion at Lambeau



Photos courtesy of Kirby Metoxen, Special Events Coordinator-Oneida Tourism Department

The half time performance on Sunday, October 29th showcased a variety of male traditional dancers who gathered in a circle around Thirza Defoe, renowned hoop dancer, who performed the Eagle Dance. The history of the Eagle dance was narrated by Stan Webster. Above, forefront (r to l), Thirza Defoe, Rich Figueroa, Albany Potts and Apesanahkwat wait on the sidelines prior to the halftime performance. Below, traditional dancers kneel during the eagle dance which was performed by Defoe. The Green Bay Packers secured their first win of the season at home against the Arizona Cardinals 31-14. The Packers are currently 3-5 for the season and will be in Minnesota on Sunday, November 12 going against the Minnesota Vikings.





November is American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month

Thanksgiving Day Buffet

Salad Selections
Salad Bar with Spring Field Greens, Condiments & Dressings
Ambrosia and Pasta Salads – Smoked Salmon
Sliced Fresh Tropical Fruit & International Cheese Arrays

Carving Station
Slow-roasted Orange Glazed Country Ham

Entrées
Oven-roasted Tom Turkey with Pan Gravy & Sausage Bread Stuffing
Acorn Squash with Brown Sugar & Marshmallows
Candied Yams with Cinnamon Orange Glaze
Corn Bread Stuffed Pork Loin with Brandy infused Wild-Mushroom Sauce
Baked Cod with Garlic Dill Butter diced Tomato Sauce - Broasted Chicken
Pasta Primavera with Penne Pasta, Marinara Sauce and Mozzarella Cheese
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy - Green Bean Casserole
Smoked Bacon & Country Sausage Links - Fresh Scrambled Eggs

Omelet Station with Made-to-Order Omelets

Breakfast Pastries
Fresh-baked Fruit Danish - Blueberry & Chocolate Croissants
Apple & Cherry Turnovers - Pecan Rolls & Sticky Buns
Fruit Muffins Including Blueberry & Banana Nut
Assorted Coffee Cakes

Desserts
Pumpkin Cheese Cake with Cinnamon Graham Cracker Crust
Pumpkin, Apple & Cherry Pies with fresh Whipped Cream
Chocolate & Vanilla Cake Triangles
Mince Meat, Pecan, Coconut Custard and Banana Custard Pies
Triple Chocolate Cake - Grand Mariner Tort
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Differences between Environmental Health & Safety and Emergency Management

Submitted by the Office of Emergency Management

The offices of the Environmental Health and Safety and Emergency Management may sound as if they are the same title. The main difference in these two positions is that the Emergency Management office plans for the unplanned. They have emergency plans for when a tornado tears through Oneida or when a wild fire is bearing down on the reservation. The Safety Department ensures employees are safe while working for the tribe. The following is a brief description of both offices.

Environmental Health & Safety

The Tribal Safety Department works with employees and departments ensuring that regulations are being followed. In addition, King is responsible for conducting safety training, inspecting Tribal buildings and ensuring all contractors and vendors are following Tribal safety laws while reducing or eliminating exposure to hazards in the workplace. By regulation, all buildings and workplaces must have an emergency evacuation plan to either evacuate or provide in-house shelter in the event of a natural or man-made disaster.

The Occupational Safety Department operates from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - M-F and addresses Occupational Safety only. This position is responsible to the Health and Industrial Services Director under the Environmental Health & Safety Department/Environmental Division.

Office of Emergency Management
~ Marty Antone ~

This position will be developing and implementing a comprehensive emergency management program designed to prepare for, respond to, and recover from the effects of a natural or a technological hazard, which may impact the Oneida community. The Emergency Management Director will ensure that the Oneida Nation Emergency Plan is in the state of readiness by establishing an effective planning process with a prioritized schedule in order to minimize the effect of any type of disaster that may impact the community of the Oneida Nation. Additional efforts of the Director will be to create a network of volunteers from the community as well as the surrounding areas to help educate the community on the importance of emergency preparation through awareness.

This office is under the Chief of Staff/Non-Divisional w/oversight from the Oneida Nation Emergency Planning Committee (ONEPC). For more information on Emergency Management give Antone a call at (920) 869-4404.



Photo courtesy of Paula King-Dessart

Above, Marty Antone, Emergency Management Director, and Trish King, of the Business Committee, provide educational materials on the importance of emergency preparation. The pair attended an Emergency Planning event in Neenah on Saturday, November 4th.

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Oneidas gather to celebrate ancient ties

By Steven J. Gandy
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The Oneida Land Claims Commission held it's first ever People of the Standing Stone gathering this past weekend November 10 - 12.

The goal of the gathering was to celebrate the 212 years of the Canandaigua Treaty and to bring together the three Oneida communities: Wisconsin, Thames and New York.

The event was conceived by the Land Claims Commission and coordinated by Oneida Land Claims Commission Coordinator, Jennifer Stevens.

Tina Benson, Land Claims Commission Records Technician, said, "We just wanted to do a non-political event where the three communities could come together and there is no motive, no nothing, just to be us."

Although members of all three communities were invited, only two communities were able to attend the gathering.

"We didn't get anybody from New York, but we did have 43 that came from the Thames and then there were our people. We believe we had over 100 people that did show up," Benson noted.

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Oneidas from Wisconsin and Canada gathered together at the Norbert Hill Center November 10-12.

Oneida Housing Authority sponsors meth seminar

By Steven J. Gandy
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The Oneida Housing Authority (OHA) took a proactive step in the avoidance of Methamphetamine (meth) abuse, addiction and production in its housing community.

The OHA sponsored a two-day training seminar on meth education for a group of forty plus.

According to Ted Quasula, a Hualapai Indian and retired police officer who now runs the consulting firm that provided the training, the goal of the training was to educate people about the effects of meth and the evils it can bring to Indian Country.

"Indian health service put out a report earlier this year that they estimate that 30% of the Native American children in this country on Indian Country have experimented with Meth," Quasula stated.

Meth is easily produced in clandestine laboratories using store bought ingredients and is now the most common synthetic drug produced nationwide.

"Any bonehead can make it with the right ingredients and the ingredients are household type ingredients," Quasula said.

The seminar focused on the detection of meth laboratories, signs of meth abuse and ways to combat the problem, however, Quasula was quick to point out that there is no quick fix to a meth problem or addiction. He also noted that one of the biggest obstacles in combating meth is the communities denial that a meth problem exists.

"I think that there can't be denial. You got to face this, you've got to understand the very basics such as how it's made, what it looks like and hit it head on. I think there is no magic solution. It's so addictive and destructive that when it hits it hits hard," Quasula said.

Quasula and his consulting company typically put on these seminars for police departments or judicial branches of local and tribal governments. He noted that this was the first time a housing authority called upon his company to provide proactive training.

"I'm really proud that the Oneida Housing Authority took charge. They took the lead. Obviously they are responsible for homes and they just want to make sure the homes are a safe environment for everybody, especially the young people," Quasula said. "We will tell, as instructors, other tribal leaders that it doesn't have to be the cops, it doesn't have to be the council, it's just a body within the tribe that jumped on it and the fact that they are being proactive is extremely exemplary."

Community picks plan for new lake

ByDawn Walschinski
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The community has spoken, and it wants Plan B.

The Oneida Fishery Restoration Project held community meeting to present three possible plans for a lake that will redress the loss of fishing opportunities in the Oneida Community. The meeting was held at he Radisson Inn on Thursday evening, November 9th.

Environmental Specialist - Restoration Betsy Galbraith was one of the presenters of the three plans. "We were happy with the attendance, we got a good cross-section of the community," she said.

Plan A of the lake that will be located on County Road U and Crook Road featured a more natural setting with less facilities and a smaller swimming area. Plan C featured a

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Oneida VFW celebrates 60 years





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Top: From left to right: Edwin King, Roy Huff and Woodrow "Woody" Webster are three of the original 16 charter members of the Oneida VFW 7784 founded 60 years ago. Right: The sign of the VFW post shows the wear and tear of the years.

By Dawn Walschinski
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The Oneida Robert Cornelius VFW Post 7784 Hall was filled with chatter and raucous laughter as old friends and comrades gathered for the 60th anniversary of the post on Veterans Day, Saturday, November 11.

Three of the original 16 charter members, Roy Huff, Woodrow "Woody" Webster and Edwin King, grouped together to get their photo taken.

"Is this the Civil War Vets?" someone hollered, and the hall erupted in laughter.

It's a sound that's been fading away across the country as other Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) organizations lose members to time.

Chester Smith, who served 20 years in the military, said of the Oneida VFW, "It's a great outfit, it's getting less and less, though. We're losing War World II veterans at 1500 a day."

The post was authorized November 12, 1946 and named after Robert Cornelius who was killed in

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Skenandore enters the ring of mixed martial arts



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Dan Skenandore gives a punching bag a left jab as part of his work out at the Oneida Family Fitness Center. He's been in training for the last 10 months.

By Dawn Walschiski
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In high school, Dan Skenandore used his wrestling skills to win a state title, now he uses all his fighting skills to pursue a bigger goal.

The 2001 Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) Division III Heavyweight Wrestling Champion is taking on the world of mixed martial arts where contestants punch, kick and grapple their way to victory.

"I've been in martial arts on and off for quite a while, like Jujitsu, and I mix it up quite a bit," said Skenandore.

He won his last heavyweight bout on Veterans Day by going three rounds against Adam VanDerVeen of Milwaukee in the Battle of the Bay 2 held at the KI Convention Center.

"It's just really is a great honor to put on a show in front of so many veterans," said Skenandore who served in the Army for three years. "I know quite a few made it out to the fight, my dad included."

Skenandore has been in training for 10 months and has won both of his bouts. But don't look for the amateur athlete to make an appearance in a professional venue just yet.

"I don't want to stay too successful in this sport, because it's not what I want to do the rest of my life. It is fun, it's a thrill, I love entertaining, but … there's not much of a future in it if you want to stay an intelligent young man, because you can't block everything," he said.

Rather, Skenandore is using his experience in the

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Local

ONHS unveils new sign

By Steven J. Gandy
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Students and faculty watch as the new Oneida Nation High School sign is unveiled at the Norbert Hill Center.

The Oneida Nation High School (ONHS) recently gained a bit more identity for itself with a new school sign. The new sign adorns an outside wall on the northwest corner of the Norbert Hill Center (NHC).

The new sign was a culmination of efforts put forth by various organizations within the Oneida Tribal Government.

According to Carol Johnson, teacher at ONHS, "We worked with Oneida Engineering, Troy Parr, to come up with an action plan and project overview. We started in Fall of 2005. We met with various Oneida agencies: Oneida Tribal Business Committee, ONHS School Board, Norbert Hill-Buildings and Grounds, Oneida Nation Public Works/Construction."

The ONHS Student Council led the effort to get the sign in place and worked closely with Denis Gullickson and Carol Johnson. NHC Building Director, Kevin Shilka, and his staff also played an integral role in the success of the new ONHS sign.

The design for the new sign came from a former ONHS graduate.

"We had a design contest but had no entries so we asked a former student, Chris Hartman, class of 1999, to design the sign, with student input," Johnson stated.

The student input came from the School Identity Committee which consisted of the following members: Scott Lynk, Forrest Pelky, Rhiannon Boyd, Robert Danforth, Freddie Hernandez, Anthony Gutierrez and Dwight Hill.

Also involved were the Student Council members from the 2005 and 2006 classes.

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large beach area and had the smallest lake size of the three plans. Plan B was the overwhelming favorite featuring the largest lake size and most access.

"We definitely didn't design them having in mind that the community was just going to like Plan B. It was kind of a shock that they favored that one as heavily as the did," said Galbraith.

Many people in attendance were concerned about elderly and handicapped, and Plan B offered the most accessibility.

"They liked the fact that the facilities were dispersed around the lake, that you could easily access different areas of the lake," said Galbraith.

According to Plan B, the new lake will be 37 acres and 20 feet deep. There will be a boat launch, a beach area, more dispersed picnic areas, a trail around the lake and a gathering area. The boat launch and swimming area will be separated by a cove.

"People liked the cove concept, it created a lot more seclusion," said Galbraith.

The plan now goes back to the consultants to incorporate some of the comments made by the community members.



Graphic courtesy of Oneida Fishery Restoration Project
Plan B calls for a 37 acre lake on the corner of County Road U and Crook Road.

"(The community) may like Plan B1 better or B2 better, but we'll merge whatever they like about those plans into one final concept," said Galbraith.

The new plans will be on display at the Oneida Community Library on December 4-9. Viewers are encouraged to make comments as to what they like and want in the new lake. Community members can contact Galbraith at 920-496-5327 or Jennifer Hill-Kelley at 920-496-5327 to voice their opinion.

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action in War Word II.

"We thought we needed the organization here, because there was so many veterans here in Oneida, so we started across the road from here over at the log cabin," said Webster who served in the South Pacific with the Navy. The current building located at 2976 Service Road was built on land donated by charter member Pierce Baird. "Early in our activities, we didn't do too much other than participate in burying bodies that were returning from World War II," said Army Veteran Huff.

The old hall has seen better days. According to Current 7784 VFW Post Commander Cletus Ninham, Sr., there's a lack of parking space as well as outdoor lighting which sometimes discourages older members from attending functions.

"We need something better for them," said Ninham, a Vietnam War Veteran.

Inside, people squeezed in and out of narrow isles, and made room for people in walkers and wheelchairs.

"From the activity that we're enjoying today, I think we need a bigger building," said Huff.

Yet, the Oneida VFW is going strong.

"It's going to last a lot longer if we have more younger ones coming in from the Gulf War and in Iraq," said Ninham. "There's a lot of older ones that are passing away, and we need the younger ones to step up and take over."

A veteran of the current conflict in Iraq, Army Reservist Deke Suri agrees with Ninham.

"I think the participation is good, and we've got a couple of new guys over the last couple of years now, so that's good. Trying to keep the tradition going."

Suri enjoys the support he receives from members of the VFW and its auxiliary, as well as getting to hear old war stories.

"(I) get some of the stories from the older guys from some of the previous wars, and not every war's the same, so I get a little insight on each war," Suri said

Huff echoed Suri's statement, "We survived, we were one of the lucky ones. There is great comradery amongst the guys, all veterans. They get together and a lot of B.S. flies."

December 4-9…

Updated plans for the new lake will be on display at the Oneida Community Library

Community members are invited to view the plans and make comments

Please contact Betsy Galibraith at 920-496-5327 or Jennifer Hill-Kelly at 920-496-5327 with your thoughts on the lake



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Once again, the Special Events Department is proud to bring a little "light" to the reservation by sponsoring the 6th Annual "Christmas on the Rez". It's FUN, EASY and SIMPLE TO DO! Just read over the contest rules, fill out the registration form, return the form to the Special Events Department and then let your imagination take over!

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Contest Rules are as Follows:

1. Must be an enrolled Oneida Tribal Member who is Head of Household.
2. Must be at least 18 years old.
3. Must be a private residence or business within the reservation boundaries.
4. Must be outdoor decorations.
5. One residence or business per category.
6. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 5th place in two (2) categories.
7. All applications must be submitted by **Friday, December 1, 2006 at 4:30 p.m.** **NO EXCEPTIONS**! Drop off location: 2615 Packerland Dr., Suite A/B
 Applications can also be mailed to:
 Oneida Tourism Department
 P.O. Box 365
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8. Judging will take place on **Thursday, December 14, 2006**. Decisions of the Judges are **FINAL**.

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Local

Passing On...

Mahkimetas, Leon P.
July 10, 1948 - November 14, 2006



Leon P. Mahkimetas, age 58, of Shawano, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2006, in Shawano.

Leon was born on July 10, 1948, in Keshena, the son of the late Calvin J. and Matilda (Mahkimetas) Mahkimetas.

While attending Shawano High School, Leon ran cross country and held many records there for many years. During the Vietnam War, Leon served with the United States Marines and was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds he received during battle. After his discharge, he continued to support all veteran organizations and continued to be a very proud Marine.

On Nov. 10, 1993, he was united in marriage to Virginia Thorton in Keshena. Leon worked as a rehab counselor in Minnesota and on the Menominee Reservation. He loved to tell jokes and tease people and was known as a great storyteller who sometimes even spoke the truth. Leon had a soft spot in his heart for children and animals even though he always seemed to be the tough Marine.

Leon is survived by his wife, Virginia; his daughter, Marla Mahkimetas of Middle Village; his two sons, Mathew (Bonnie) Mahkimetas of Cecil, Arnold "Keith" Kinzhuma of Oneida; step children, Nina Hellendrung of Indiana, Sarah Wunderlich of Milwaukee, Rita Ninham of Green Bay, Theresa (Salmon) Rodriquez of Green Bay; four grandchildren, Makenit Mahkimetas-Cornelius, Kodiak Mahkimetas-Cornelius, Cassandra Kinzhuma, Briley Kinzhuma; six step grandchildren, Jonathon, Nathan, Andrew, Leida "Lady Bug," Miranda, Aron; and nine brothers and sisters, Nolan M. Mahkimetas, Jane Mahkimetas, Mary Ellen Mahkimetas, Arnold Oshkeshequoam, Diane Oshkeshequoam, Richard Oshkeshequoam, Lisa Oshkeshequoam, Troy Oshkeshequoam, Darwin Oshkeshequoam.

Leon was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Patricia King; and three brothers, Donald Oshkeshequoam, Leonard "Robin" Oshkeshequoam, and Michael Oshkeshequoam.

Funeral services were held on Friday, November 17th, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Keshena with the Rev. David Barrett officiating.

Swedberg Funeral Home, Shawano, WI assisted the family with the arrangements.

Erickson, Gary A.
September 22, 1942 – November 12, 2006



Gary A. Erickson, age 64 years, of Sturtevant, WI. passed away Sunday, Nov. 12, 2006 at Vista Medical Center in Waukegan, IL.

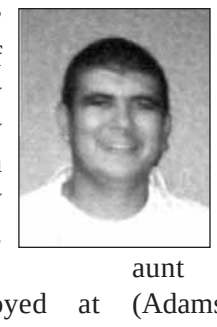
Gary Arthur Erickson was born on Sept. 22, 1942 in the Town of Seneca, Shawano County, WI. to Carl and Dorothy (Denny) Erickson. After graduating from Bowler High School he entered the U.S. Army and served in Germany during the Vietnam era from 1966-68. Gary was employed for many years at Goodyear in Kenosha. He then went on to work for R.G. Ray Corporation in Buffalo Grove, IL. working as a welder for over 18 years. He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Town of Morris. Gary enjoyed hunting, fishing, and was an avid sports fan, especially the Packers and the Badgers.

Survivors include two children; a son Shane (spec. friend Noel) Erickson of Kenosha, a daughter Shantel (spec. friend Keith) Erickson of Eau Claire, and one granddaughter, Mariah. He is also survived by his mother, Dorothy Erickson of Bowler. There are 3 sisters and 6 brothers; Jean Behnke of Wittenberg, Roger (Barbara) of Shawano, Herbert (Grace) of Kenosha, Ruben of Bowler, Charles (Karen) of Milwaukee, Diane Cerveny of Leopolis, Karen (Don) Wurth of Gresham, Ralph of Bowler, and Andy (Pam) of Shawano. Further survived by a family friend Richard Truax of Sturtevant, many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Gary is preceded in death by his father, Carl, and an infant sister, Helen.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, November 16, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Town of Morris, WI. Rev. Jennifer Czarnota officiated and burial followed in the parish cemetery. Military honors were provided by members of the American Legion Post #239 of Tigerton.

The Beil-Didier Funeral Home, Tigerton, assisted the family. Condolences may be sent via www.beil-didier.com

Adams, Joseph (Joey) "Gun"
July 18, 1978 – November 18, 2006



Joseph "Joey" "Gun" Adams, 28, of Oneida, passed away early Saturday morning due to an auto accident. Joey was born July 18, 1978 in Green Bay.

He was employed at Services Plus as a forklift operator. He enjoyed spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife Cassandra; his two sons Austin & Logan; parents Cheryl Skenandore, Gary (fiancé Brenda) Adams; grandma Barbara Skenandore; grandfather Glen (Hazel) Skenandore; siblings Tanya (fiancée Shad Webster), Gary (Richell) Adams Jr, Leon (Sara) Adams, Jennifer (Gordon) Waupekenay, Holly (Nick) Furcho, Julia Funmaker, Karen "Kay" (Keith) Katch, Tara (fiancée Lataka Smith), & Jonathan Adams. Joey is further survived by numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, & friends.

He was preceded in death by a brother Bruce Funmaker; grandparents Cecilia & Rupert Adams; & aunt Carol Cornelius (Adams).

Visitation for Joey will be Tuesday, November 21, 2006 at Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth St. De Pere, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Oneida Singers at 6:30 PM and a Prayer Service at 7:00 PM. Visitation will continue on Wednesday, November 22, 2006 at Holy Apostles Church, Oneida, from 9:00 AM until the time of service. Funeral Service for Joey & Tami Cornelius will be at 11:00 AM at church. Burial to follow in Assembly of God Cemetery. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Adams family.

Cornelius, Tami "Sam"
March 25, 1969 – November 18, 2006



Tami "Sam" Cornelius, 37, of Oneida, died unexpectedly Saturday morning November 18, 2006. Born March 25, 1969 in Green Bay a daughter of Wayne & Brenda (John) Cornelius. Tami was a graduate of West De Pere High School.

Tami is survived by her parents Wayne & Brenda; sons Brandon & Cory; sister Stephanie Skenandore; nieces & nephew Brittney, Clyde, & Autumn. Tami is further survived by other relatives & friends.

Tami was preceded in death by her grandparents Noron & Anna John, & Nellie Acheson.

Visitation for Tami will be Tuesday, November 21, 2006 at Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth St. De Pere, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Oneida Singers at 6:30 PM and a Prayer Service at 7:00 PM. Visitation will continue on Wednesday, November 22, 2006 at Holy Apostles Church, Oneida, from 9:00 AM until the time of service. Funeral Service for Tami & Joseph Adams will be at 11:00 AM at church. Burial to follow in church cemetery. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Cornelius family.

The family would like to thank Teddy Christjohn, Robert "Little Man" Webster, & the firekeepers.

In Loving Memory

In Loving Memory of...

Leland Powless

who passed away 20 years ago November 29, 1986



Twenty years have come and gone,
Since God has called you home...
Twenty years that tears ran freely,
When we are all alone...

The call was sudden,
The shock severe...
To part with one we loved so dear!

You bid no one a last farewell,
Nor even said good-bye...
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knows why.

God gave us the strength to bear it,
And courage to face the blow...
But what it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know!

Sadly missed by his wife Lea and daughters Judy and Deborah and all the grandchildren

From the Family of Greg Smith



To all our family and friends, we would like to thank you for all the kindness extended to our family during the loss of our son and brother, Gregory. Your generosity and compassion is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered. While it is impossible to thank each person individually, please know that we are deeply grateful for your love and support.

We would like to extend a special thank you to Father Silas, Deacon Heckle, Deacon Powless, Gordy McLester, the Oneida Singers, all who donated food, and to all who kindly assisted in the kitchen; Beverly, Julie, Michelle and Ron King Jr., Sandra, Kelly, Krissy, Pat, Lori and Brenda Danforth, Tina Gucwa and Jessica King.

James, Donna, Marques & Chantre' Smith

Enrollment Update

To: All Enrolled Tribal Members

The Oneida Enrollment Department is providing the following information to help identify the services our office provides to the Tribal Membership.

Our Department has had it's own website since May 16, 2006! This means, most of the forms you commonly request can now be downloaded at your own convenience. Please visit us at http://enrollment.oneidanation.org and share with us how you like our website.

The Enrollment Department provides many services which include but is not limited to the following;

- Tribal mailings: Kalihwi-saks (newspaper), Annual/Semi-Annual GTC booklets, GTC notices/mailings, Per Capita Notices/Forms, Burial Information
- Certification/verifications of Enrollment
- Proof of Per Capita Income
- Tribal Identification Cards
- Genealogical Record requests
- Enrollment / Relinquishment / Blood Increase requests

Deadline Information:

- November 20, 2006: Last day to submit LATE 2006 Elder Supplemental payment forms. These late Elder payments will be mailed out on November 30, 2006.
- December 7, 2006: Minor Trust Account Payment forms due for members born on or before 12/31/1988. Claimed Minor Trust payments will be mailed out around January 15, 2007.
- December 20, 2006: Last day to submit LATE 2006 Elder Supplemental payment forms. These late Elder payments will be mailed out on December 29, 2006.

Please contact our department if you have any questions about the receipt of your payment or any other form(s). 1-800-571-9902 or 920-869-2083

Office Hours:

November 2006:
- Closed November 23 & 24, 2006

December 2006:
- Closed from 8 – 9:30 AM December 21, 2006
- Closed as of noon (12:00) December 22, 2006
- Closed December 25, 2006

Reminders:

- It is the responsibility of all tribal members and/or their parents/guardians to keep their address information current.
- It is recommended for persons that who may be unable to attend to their "enrollment matters" for an undetermined amount of time (such as military personnel or incarcerated persons), to assign someone as their Power of Attorney. This practice has proven to be the most effective way to keep you and your membership records/services current.

All this information and more can be located on our website. Please visit it and share with us how you like it or how we can improve it. Yawa'ko

In need of Assistance with Utility Costs?

The Center for Self-Sufficiency has several programs in place to assist with utility costs. Some of these programs provide assistance based on household income, some are prohibited from assisting households located outside of the Oneida reservation, some are available only to households with dependent children, and yet another is limited to households of enrolled Oneida Tribal members. Restrictions are in place due to funding source requirements, and because of these restrictions our office is obligated to route your request through all resources which may be available and are determined to best serve your household's needs.

If your household is experiencing a sudden loss of income, a temporary interruption of income, or a household crisis has occurred which prevents your ability to maintain monthly utility payments, please feel free to contact the Center for Self-Sufficiency at 1-800-216-3216 or 920-490-6800 and someone will help you determine eligibility for assistance through one of these programs.

Other resources which may be able to assist are:

- Your area's office of the Salvation Army
- United Way
- Community Churches
- Your County's Human Services Office

With Sincere Appreciation

The family of Lauren Denny would like to extend their gratitude and special thanks to Franciscan Care, units 1 and 3 who took extra care of Lauren during her last months of life. Nurse Kathy DeWitt, who provided an "extra blanket" of comfort to Lauren and her family during the trying time, was also a great help. A thank you is also extended to Bob Brown for saying a beautiful prayer at Lauren's service as well as to the Oneida singers. The family would also like to thank everyone who donated meals as well as tending to her fire. Lauren is walking with the angels now, and that brings comfort to her family.

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

'Hey Indian Man...' *There's a new gift shop in town*

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida community saw another business open its doors on November 4. The Hey Indian Man Gift Shop opened to the public offering arts and crafts from various artists throughout the country.

Owners Richie Plass and Lily Antone-Plass have been trying for a while to make the gift shop a reality.

"We tried two or three years ago at parish hall, but it didn't work, and then there were some other ventures that fell through," Antone-Plass said.

Their opportunity finally presented itself this summer when their building came available.

"The house came available here in August or July. We moved in in August and we just thought this would be a great place," Antone-Plass said.

Having a central, permanent location for artists to be able to display their art work was the inspiration for the gift shop.

"We wanted for a long time to be able to get all of the native artists together in one location, so that people will know where [the artists'] artwork is and will be able to come and acquire it," Antone-Plass noted. "We've put a voice out for all native artists to bring their artwork and tell the people that this is where it's going to be."

Currently, The Hey Indian Man Gift Shop, is selling items on consignment.

"We do only a 10% consignment because it's not about the money, it's about getting the art out there," Antone-Plass said.

All Native American artists from all over the country are welcome to display their work in the shop.

"Right now we have five different artists and there's four more that have spoken of coming in," Antone-Plass stated.

Antone-Plass is an artist herself specializing in embroidering and sewing, but don't let that discourage any one out there who may do the same kind of work.

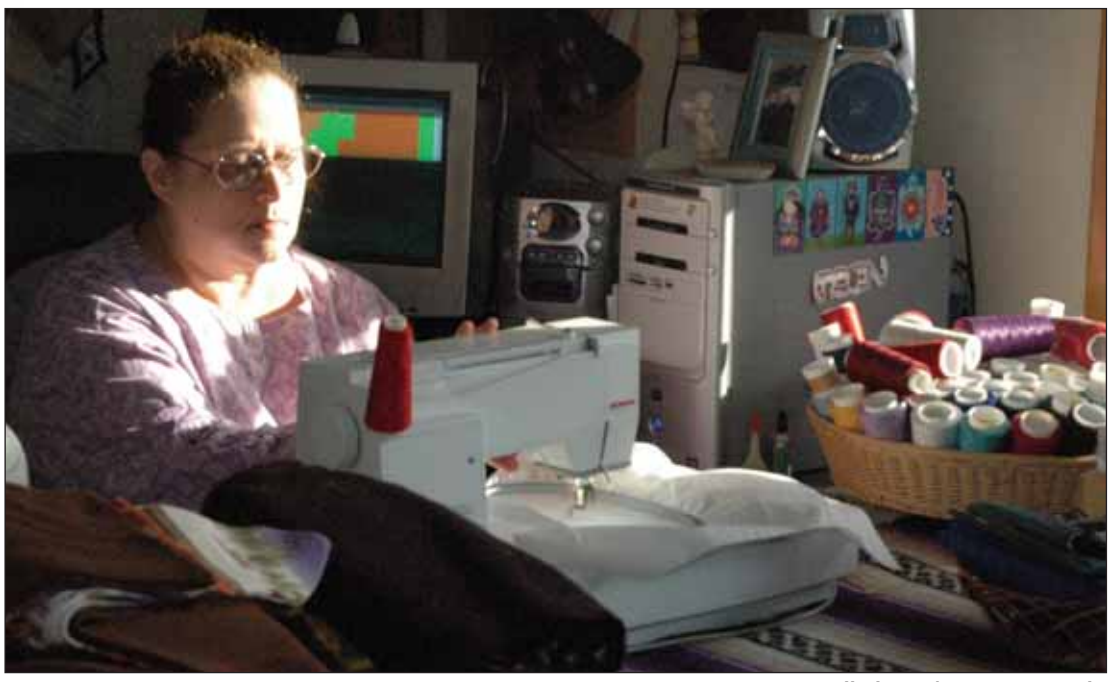
"I encourage other sewers and embroiders to come in with me because my work is not the same as theirs," Antone-Plass said. "It's going to be basically a mom-and-pop kind of place once we get it going. We're going to have a place where people can sit and talk...a place where people can communicate."

When asked about the future Antone-Plass said, "I would hope that [the shop] goes over so well that we either have to expand here or move to a bigger location. I would love to be able to see as many artists that we have, even just locally , that they all be recognized and all have a chance to get their stuff out where the public can see it."

The Hey Indian Man Gift Shop is located at W142 Hwy 54 directly east of Grama's Diner. The shop is open Noon-6pm daily and can be reached at 920-569-6431.

Make sure, when you stop in at the Hey Indian Man Gift Shop, that you ask about where the name came from.

"[Richie] got dissed by an eight-year-old," Antone-Plass concluded.



Kali photos/Steven J. Gandy

Lily Antone-Plass, owner of Hey Indian Man Gift Shop, works on her sewing and embroidering in the afternoon sun. Lily and her husband Richie Plass have relied on word-of-mouth and e-mails for their advertising thus far.

GOOD MIND... "a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking" great future!

Nominations needed to honor the men of Oneida

Submitted by Justine Souto
Community Partnership Coordinator

We would like to alert you to an up coming event for Good Mind - Great Future. It is a community dinner on January 25, 2007 at Norbert Hill Center cafeteria at 5:00. We are going to be asking community youth, as well as the women brought forward last year, to bring forward names of men in the community whom they can go to in a time of trouble or need. Other community members can also join in the recognition of men in the community. Names will be collected between now and December 15.

Last year's celebration of women brought a terrific turn out of over 300 community members. Surveys indicated this event was a success because it provided an "excuse" for people to come together to feel the warm sense of community again. It also reminds us that our youth need more than mom and dad for support. They need all of their "aunties and uncles"- community- to wrap their arms around them. Let us remind the youth how much we care by, once again, bringing forward the names of individuals who make a difference in the lives of our youth!

If you have someone in mind please Alex at **490-3774**. Yaw^ko

Come for the community dinner and stay for an evening of entertainment! The Oneida Arts Program is hosting The Heart of the Beast Puppet and Mask Theatre January 25 at 7:00 in the Norbert Hill Center Auditorium. They will perform a family-oriented program titled, Heart of the Beast: Coyote Stories and On the Day You Were Born. There is a small fee to attend this. Contact the Arts Program at **490-3832** for more information.

CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, and information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Dept. of Justice.

Home Building Opportunity from DOLM

The Home Building Opportunity (HBO) is a new program that grew out of the old "Land List". The Land List had been established to offer vacant land to Tribal members who sought to build a house within reservation boundaries. The Land List program never got off the ground and names on the list continued to be added.

In early 2006 the list was evaluated, each applicant was contacted and those people that were still interested were enrolled into the HBO. Within the next two years, the people in the HBO will have an opportunity to obtain Tribally owned vacant land to build and occupy a single family dwelling. This opportunity requires that participants arrange their own contractors and financing. Once HBO participants have had an opportunity to receive a vacant site, the HBO program will eliminate the list and begin advertising sites to the Tribal community as they become available.

Throughout October and November 2006 we will be holding informational meetings for HBO participants. These meetings will assist in becoming more knowledgeable of the details related to obtaining vacant land from the Oneida Tribe and for what it takes to undertake a home building project.

Tribal purchase provides protection against mine

Submitted by Bill McClenahan
Martin Schreiber & Associates

A new purchase by two Indian tribes provides further assurances that unsafe metallic mining will not occur at the headwaters of the Wolf River.

The Forest County Potawatomi Community and the Sokaogon Chippewa Mole Lake Band purchased additional rights from the original owners of the proposed Crandon Mine site, resolving any potential claims. The tribes, who originally purchased the proposed mine site in October 2003, purchased the additional rights on Thursday, November 9, using revenues from their casino operations.

"This purchase provides additional protection for the groundwater, the wetlands and the Wolf River," said Potawatomi Chairman Gus Frank. "It protects the natural resources of the Northwoods that our cultural traditions, as well as the tourism economy, depend on."

Sokaogon Chairwoman Sandra Rachal said, "It is an honor to preserve the lands where our ancestors lived and fought to protect. We are protecting the land, the water and the air for future generations, just as our ancestors did."

In 2003, the two tribes purchased the pristine Forest County land and all mineral rights, ending a battle that had raged for more than 20 years over proposals by a series of owners to mine copper and zinc at the site.

One of the former owners, Exxon Corporation, had agreed to make certain annual payments to the original owners of the ore-body site when it purchased the site in 1978. Since their 2003 purchase of the site, the tribes have continued to make those payments in good faith. They have also negotiated to settle any rights that the original owners may have had to those payments and any assertions of other potential rights in the

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Crandon Mine

Calendar

Various

Raised Beadwork Classes
WHEN: Various
PLACE: Bear Paw Keepsakes, 2667 W. Mason St., Green Bay
$50 per class, include all of the supplies. Enrollment limited to 10. register at the store. November 24-25 - Picture Frame; January 12-13 - Moccasins; February 16-17 - Small Purse; March 16-17 - Checkbook cover or Photo Album. FMI call **920-499-7875.**

December 8

AJNH Craft and Bake Sale
WHEN: December 8
TIME: 11am - 3:30 pm
PLACE: Oneida Health Center main conference room.
Great assortment of crafts and baked goods. If you have any questions or would like to sell call Judi @869-48009.

December 9

Breakfast With Santa
WHEN: December 9, 2006
TIME: 8 - 11 am
PLACE: Civic Center
Enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, sausage and juice. Then visit santa, get a picture and a gift. for families with children age 0 to 8 years old.

July 6-8

35th Annual 4th of July Pow Wow
WHEN: July 6, 7 & 8, 2007
TIME: Various
PLACE: Norbert Hill Center Powwow Grounds
Join us in song and dance at the 35th Annual oneida contest powwow! Over $50,000 in prize money. Weekend pass-$10, daily pass-$5, 60 yrs & older & 10 yrs & under free. FMI: **920-496-7897**

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there! FMI, please contact: Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

ANNUAL SOBRIETY POWWOW
SUNDAY ~ DECEMBER 31, 2006
ONEIDA NATION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
P.O. BOX 365-N7125 SEMINARY ROAD
ONEIDA, WI 54155
JOIN US IN SONG AND DANCE AT THE ANNUAL ONEIDA SOBRIETY POWWOW
FREE ADMISSION ~ FEAST AT 5:00 P.M.
GRAND ENTRY ~ SUNDAY, DEC. 31, 2006 @ 7:00 P.M.
SIGN-UP IS REQUIRED
THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME!!!
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE ONEIDA POWWOW COMMITTEE AT (920) 496-7897

Legislative Review

Letters...

Tragedy Affected Both Nations

Mr. Delgado,

I am writing in response to your article "When violence hits home" (Editor's Note: The article appeared in the October 26, 2006 issue of the Kalihwisaks). First, I wanted to tell you I agree with the things you said in it, especially regarding the gang problem. Being the father of the boy who did the shooting, I can't really express how badly I feel for the family of the man that was killed due to this act of violence.

I am very much aware of my own responsibility for the course my son's life took, which led up to this tragedy. Since I came to prison seven years ago, there has been no male role model for my son. Although the actions that put me here say that I wasn't a good role model even before I left. I tried hard to be a good father and raised my kids with values and love. They were good kids. But, there are predators out there. No better than child molesters who prey on our kids who they know may come from broken homes and troubled families. These are the older gang members who start filling (our) kids heads with lies and a false sense of security at very young ages. They indoctrinate, brainwash, manipulate and use the children to do a lot of their dirty work - telling them not to worry about penalties for their actions since they're juveniles, they won't get in much trouble.

When there's no one there to teach our kids the values of our culture, it's not hard for the predators - with the gansta rap culture influence - they're born into and the violent world they see around them, to get into our young kids minds and recruit them into their world.

There are a lot of factors that contribute to one split second of time that changes many lives forever.

Although there was much truth in your article, I believe you made an irresponsible and antagonistic comment concerning the Menominee people. I am an enrolled Oneida, but also part Menominee. My son also has relations on both sides. This has been a tragedy for all involved and although the two nations basically get along well, there are pockets of people out there with animosity towards each other for whatever reason. As a councilman, you should be more careful with the words you choose to print, since this is a tragedy felt within both nations and a delicate matter which can potentially be a catalyst for future irrational acts. No disrespect intended towards you, but, I think your words could have been chosen more carefully than to imply that the Menominee Nation is inadequate or responsible in any way when the Oneida enrolled father of the boy acknowledges that he is the true bearer of the responsibility, for, in a sense, abandoning his son to fall prey to the gang recruiters out there and the mentality they instill in our youth!

Carl Morgan-Mason
Oakdale, LA 71463

Oneida Language in Peril

The Oneida language our ancestors learned as children and spoke everyday of their adult lives is in danger of being lost forever. You can count on one hand the number of fluent speakers of Oneida language left in our community. There are others here in Wisconsin who say they understand the language, but, have lost the ability to speak it. You might wonder how is that possible, but the reasons are relatively simple. First of all it's about not being able to speak to someone in Oneida that understands what you're talking about. Secondly it has to do with not being able to hear the language on a daily basis. Then there is the ability to incorporate words and when that's lost, then the speaking slowly disappears. Finally there's assimilation into the dominant culture or the various sub-cultures brought here by immigrants from other parts of the world.

The first two things - speaking and hearing - are easy to explain. There are simply not enough people in our community willing to make the commitment to learn the language. The ability to incorporate words is a little more technical but that involves being able to combine prefixes, tenses, pronouns, nouns, verbs and suffixes to create words. When one has forgotten how to combine any of these, then more than likely they will slowly begin to lose the language. This sounds complicated but it has to do with speaking and hearing. Assimilation is easy, we are bombarded daily with English, TV, newspapers, music, video games, even our own daily conversations, the majority of which are conducted in this foreign language. Remember "Star Trek the Next Generation" and their encounter with the "Borg"? "We are Borg, you will be assimilated, resistance is futile". Truer words were never spoken. Take a moment and think about how this statement applies to our Oneida community today, you'll see what I mean.

Remember the key to our continued sovereignty is our sacred Oneida language. Think about all that's at stake if we are eventually assimilated into the dominant culture, loss of meaningful jobs, loss of tax free status, loss of per cap to name a few. Think about the state of our language here in Wisconsin. It is truly in peril and in danger of being lost forever, then ask yourself, "what can I do to stop this from happening."

Richard Baird
Oneida Language Trainee

Legislative Update

Get out the Vote!!

At this time, I want to express my gratitude to all those whom took the time to vote on November 7th. I know many were overwhelmed with the pre-election commercials, flyers, phone calls, and rallies/debates. But the message projected to Oneida was to simply exercise your right and vote. Now that the 2006 elections are over we can shift our focus on how the election results will impact the many tribal issues and legislation facing Indian Country and begin gearing up for the local elections in the Spring.

Honoring our Veterans

This month was also a special time to honor and remember our past/present men and women serving in the Armed Forces. We all enjoy the many freedoms because of the sacrifices our Veterans have fought for, please take the time to honor and remember our Veterans, and say thank you!

CAPPS Dinner – Honoring our Police Officers

I also want to give a special thanks to the C.A.P.S. (Community Analysis Planning Strategies) program for taking the time to honor our men/women serving in our police department. The Oneida Nation is very fortunate to have it's own Police Department. If you look across Indian Country not all Tribes have an established headquarters, not many have all the necessary equipment and technology to carry out their duties effectively and efficiently. Over the years, the Oneida Police Department has grown tremendously and overcome many obstacles. They've endured their share of growing pains but continue to be called upon by Indian Country who seek our expertise and assistance.



Councilwoman
Melinda Danforth

Travel

At the 16th Annual I.T.M.A. (Inter Tribal Monitoring Association) Conference, Oneida was elected to serve this organization by serving as Secretary of the Executive Board. Historically, ITMA was organized by Tribes so that Indian Country could actively monitor and have a voice in the activities of the Federal Government when it came time for fair compensation in historical trust funds mismanagement.

Radio Show – Native America Calling

This month I also was honored to participate on a live-radio broadcast with "Native America Calling." The topic addressed on the radio show was "Honoring our Elders." For more information or to listen to the broadcast, please go to http://www.nativeamericacalling.com

ONHS Sign

Another exciting moment was the unveiling of the Oneida Nation High School sign. As I stood amongst the students and teachers during this presentation, I was touched by the amount of pride and honor that I saw in each of their faces. Congratulations to the students and school administration for making this moment happen!

So what's the deal with Venezuela?

We've all been hearing about President Chavez in the news lately. In his recent speech to the UN he described President Bush as "the devil" and "Mr. Danger." Quite dramatic. Well, he may not be as educated as some of Venezuela's elite but perhaps that is what makes him so powerful. Proud of his Indigenous and African roots, Chavez signed a "historic commitment" to govern on behalf of Venezuela's half-million Indigenous people in 1998 during his presidential campaign. This is a promise he has kept and earned him undying support.

His plan is called a Bolivarian Revolution, named after Simon Bolivar, the 19th century liberator of Venezuela, Columbia, Bolivia, Ecuador, and Peru. His ideas are that natural resources are for the benefit of all citizens, the state is guardian and promoter of civic and social human rights, and that the citizens are fundamental protagonists on political life.

The foundation of the Venezuelan government is its Constitution. It guarantees the rights of women as well as children. It guarantees full rights over land, culture and language to Indigenous peoples. It guarantees social human rights such as healthcare, education, work and food. It also recognizes the right of housewives to social benefits. This is the same Constitution that opposition leaders suspended in the 2002 coup attempt with the support of President Bush and the National Endowment for Democracy who donated $11 U.S. to overthrow President Chavez.

Since Chavez's election in 1998, however, Venezuela has been declared free of illiteracy (UNESCO). Seventy percent of previously marginalized citizens are now receiving free health services within their community. Poverty has dropped from 80% in 1998 to 37% in 2005. Furthermore, Venezuela's economy grew by 9.4% in 2005 with most of its growth in the non-oil sector (the highest in Latin America). In Venezuela there are no illegal political prisoners, no secret prisons, no displaced populations, no practice of torture, no illegal detentions, and Venezuela has invaded no country.

So why did US Director for National Intelligence, John Negroponte state that Venezuela is the main security challenge in this hemisphere? Why did Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice tell a senate committee last February that Venezuela is "a particular danger to the region?" OIL. Venezuela is sitting on the largest oil reserves this hemisphere. Venezuela also supplies 1.2 million barrels a day to the U.S. This supply has never been in danger of stopping until George Bush. Chavez's Bolivarian Revolution also challenges globalization and the profit drive of multinational corporations.

It would seem that a nation as proud of their democratic ideals and value of freedom would praise the efforts of President Chavez. While President Bush has disapproval rate of 67% based on job performance, President Chavez has a 70% approval rating based on his job performance. This visionary leader at last had the courage to warn the world that Mr. Bush is indeed Mr. Danger.

We as free citizens value freedom of speech and freedom of information. We do not like to be manipulated by the media. Even if history is told by the winners. It is easy to condemn Chavez's dramatic flair at his UN speech last September. But it takes great courage to bear the weight of your people and lead them to a better future.

Ana Barton

DNR: Only three hunting accidents during opening weekend

By Robert Imrie
Associated Press Writer

WAUSAU, Wis. (AP) – The opening weekend of Wisconsin's nine-day deer hunt was one of the safest, with no firearm-related fatalities and only three shooting accidents, the state Department of Natural Resources said Monday.

"We stand a good chance of being only the second season in history with no fatalities, if we stay vigilant with these safety concerns," said Tim Lawhern, DNR hunter safety coordinator. "Everybody should feel a sense of pride over this opening weekend."

The three accidents all involved self-inflicted injuries, Lawhern said. One of the victims was a 12-year-old Sheboygan County hunter who shot himself in the foot after a group of hunters handed him a second gun while they processed a deer, Lawhern said.

More than 630,000 hunters took to the fields and woods for the opening two days, which historically produces half of a season's hunting accidents, Lawhern said.

Two hunters died in hunting-related accidents during last year's opening weekend, and four others suffered firearm-related injuries, said Tim Lawhern, DNR hunter safety coordinator.

Last year's nine-day season produced 13 shooting accidents and three deaths. It was the most accidental deaths since five hunters died in 2001.

The only season with no fatalities occurred in the mid-1970s, Lawhern said.

The worst season seems to be 1908. A newspaper account reports 44 hunters killed and 57 injured during a deer season that involved only about 20,000 hunters, Lawhern said.

Wisconsin implemented its hunter education program in 1967, requiring new hunters to learn gun safety and proper gun handling.

The most dangerous season in recent times occurred in 1987: Eight hunters died, and there were 53 shooting-related accidents, the DNR said.

The 2004 hunt was marred by a tragedy in northwestern Wisconsin. Six white hunters were killed by an Asian hunter following an angry, racially charged confrontation over trespassing in a tree stand on private land in Sawyer County.

A St. Paul, Minn., truck driver is now serving six life prison sentences after a jury convicted him of six counts of murder and three counts of attempted murder.

This year's opening weekend was not without tragedy.

Three deer hunters died of apparent natural causes, including David MacArthur, a 36-year-old boys basketball coach from Colby. Their deaths are not considered hunting accidents by the DNR.

But there was good news too. A hunter who had been missing since Saturday afternoon – Richard R. Guzman, 79, of Wisconsin Rapids – was found late Monday morning by relatives searching some woods east of Pittsville, Wood County Sheriff's Lt. Bob Levendoske said.

Guzman, who suffers early stages of dementia and has limited mobility, left his hunting shack Saturday afternoon to walk about 200 yards down a logging trail to a deer stand and then disappeared, Levendoske said. He was taken by ambulance from the woods Monday and his condition was not immediately known, the investigator said.

The DNR was expected to release figures later Monday on the number of deer killed during the opening weekend.

At Sunset County Store near Wausau, hunters registered about 525 deer _ down slightly from a year ago. The total included 100 more antlerless and 100 fewer bucks than last season, clerk Brian Seehafer said.

The mood of the hunters? "They don't like Janes," Seehafer said, a reference to female does.

Bow Hunters Shop in Black Creek in Outagamie County registered 205 deer, about double a normal opening weekend, owner Sharon Rogalski said. Two-thirds of those deer lacked antlers.

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Oneida Business Committee
Meeting Minutes



Regular Meeting
October 25, 2006
Business Committee Conference Room

Present: Kathy Hughes–Vice Chair, Mercie Danforth–Treasurer, Patty Hoeft–Secretary, Edward Delgado–Council member, and Vince DelaRosa–Council member.

Excused: Gerald Danforth–Chair, Trish King, Paul Ninham, and Melinda J. Danforth–Council members.

Others Present: Jeff Carlson, Barb Skenandore, Lois Strong, J. Skenandore, Stephen Loritz, Pat Pelky, Victoria Flowers, Butch Rentmeester, Debbie Thundercloud, Shannon Hill, Dottie Krull, Fern Birdsbill, Debbie Danforth, Twlight Moore, Linda Glaser, Barb Dickson, Gina B.- Powless, Geraldine Danforth, Wanda Diemel, Nathan King, Brenda John.

Opening Prayer: Kevin Cornelius

Special Recognitions: Acknowledgment of the PCB Team members: Betsy Galbraith, Steve Loritz, Victoria Flowers, Jenny Boll, Wilbert Rentmeester, Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Bobbi Webster, Tana Aquirre, Jeff Mears, Pat Pelky, Dr. Fred Muscavitch, James Bittorf, Nathan King, Bill Gollnick, Kevin Cornelius.

1. Call to Order by Kathy Hughes

2. Oath of Office–Administered by Patricia Hoeft

Bay Bancorporation:
Joanie Buckley, John Riopelle and Robert A. Nagy administered by Patricia Hoeft on October 13, 2006

Bay Bank Board of Directors:
Charles Leonard, Suzan Frazier Pickering and William H. Lepley administered by Patricia Hoeft on October 13, 2006.

Oneida Personnel Commission:
Shannon Hill - PRESENT - administered by Ed Delgado.

3. Approval of the Agenda
- **a. Additions**
- **b. Deletions**
- **c. Moves**

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the agenda, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes to be Approved
Regular Business Committee Minutes of October 11, 2006.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the October 11, 2006 Minutes, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Tabled Business

6. Reports
a. Oneida Tribal School Board (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct) Debbie Danforth – 2nd Meeting of the month. Submitted.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the School Board Quarterly report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Oneida Housing Authority (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct). Mark Stanchik – 2nd Meeting of the month. Submitted.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the Oneida Housing Authority Quarterly report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Oneida Nation Commission on Aging (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct) Arlie Doxtator – 2nd Meeting of the month. Submitted.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging Quarterly report, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Oneida Seven Generations Corporation (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct) Brenda Mendolla-Buckley – 2nd Meeting of the Month. Submitted.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Travel Reports–None

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. Deborah Thundercloud RE: Monthly Oneida Community Health Center Update for August and September, 2006 (FYI)

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Monthly Oneida Community Health Center Update, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Vince DelaRosa RE: GTC recommended date Regarding Community Program Area of Oneida Housing Authority

Excerpt from September 27, 2006: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer this item for two weeks for the liaison to find out what actions the Housing Authority Board took on this issue, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from October 11, 2006: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct liaison, Vince DelaRosa to contact petitioner to see if she still wants to move forward, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Mercie Danforth, Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Trish King. Opposed: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept as FYI, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Law Office RE: Legality of Petitioner Withdrawing Petition

Excerpt from October 11, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to ask for a legal opinion on the legality of petitioner withdrawing petition, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Bill Gollnick RE: O.N.E. Analysis

Excerpt from May 24, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Chief of Staff to bring back a report with review/analysis of the state of O.N.E., with recommendations to continue as it is currently organized or other alternatives, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from June 21, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to October 25, 2006, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to direct the law office to research the contract assignment transfer from one entity to another and the authority under which it could be done, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Bill Gollnick RE: Status Report regarding Top Management Positions

Excerpt from September 27, 2006: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to direct the Chief of Staff to provide a status report on GTC directive dated 1-8-90 regarding top management positions, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Top Management Positions status report and move Top Management Position updates to the Executive Staff agenda, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Fred Muscavitch RE: Approval of Rescinding Fee to Trust Resolution 8-16-06 N - Correcting Incorrect Tax Parcel Number - Adopted new resolution.

Excerpt from October 11, 2006: Motion by Paul Ninham to defer this item, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to rescind Resolution 8-16-06-N, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt Resolution 10-25-06-A, for Parcel Number 6H-767-7, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business:
- **a. Resolutions**–None
- **b. Requests**

1. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Compensation Project - Request for Representation from the Oneida Business Committee.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve appointing Trish King to the Compensation Project, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to appoint Ed Delgado as an alternate to the Compensation Project, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Lisa Miotke RE: Tribal Environmental Agreement (TEA) for Fiscal Year 2007-2009.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to the next agenda, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Patricia Hoeft RE: Request to re-post 3 vacancies to the Oneida Childcare Parent Advisory Committee (PAC).

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the re-posting of 3 vacancies to the Oneida Childcare Parent Advisory Committee, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Patricia Hoeft RE: Request to re-post 1 vacancy on the Oneida Cemetery Board

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the re-posting of one vacancy on the Oneida Cemetery Board, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Patricia Hoeft RE: Bonus Report Request

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the General Manager, Chief of Staff and Gaming General Manager to each provide a report to the Business Committee within 90 days explaining how bonus and incentives are developed and administered, and an evaluation of past practices for awarding bonuses and incentive in FY04, FY05 and FY06 and projections for FY07, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Patricia Hoeft RE: Head Start Bonus

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer the issue and complaint to the General Manager to review the Head Start bonus situation and take the necessary steps with a report back at the Executive Staff meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried.

7. Gerald Danforth RE: Miss Oneida Committee Appointment

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the appointment of Heidi King to the Miss Oneida Committee, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Gerald Danforth RE: Oneida Pow Wow Committee Appointments

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the appointment of Donna Richmond and Marsha Danforth to the Oneida Pow Wow Committee, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Gerald Danforth RE: Oneida Library Appointment

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the appointment of Charlene Cornelius to the Oneida Library Board, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Vince DelaRosa. Opposed: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

10. Gerald Danforth RE: Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee Appointment

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the appointment of Valder John to the Oneida Nation Veterans Affair Committee, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

- **c. Travel Requests**

1. Debra Danforth RE: Procedural Exception to approve travel for 6 students and 2 staff chaperones to National TOP's conference in New Mexico on November 2–4, 2006.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the procedural travel exception for six students and two staff chaperones to the National TOP's conference, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Finance Committee
August 11, 2006 Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2006 Meeting Minutes

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)
For Consideration LOC Minutes of September 25, 2006

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the September 25, 2006 LOC Minutes, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

For Consideration Resolution adopting Oneida Police Commission Stipend Increase

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt Resolution 10-25-06-B, Oneida Police Commission stipend, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

For Consideration Resolution adopting Southeastern Oneida Tribal Service (SEOTS) Board Stipends

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt Resolution 10-25-06-C Southeastern Oneida Tribal Service Board stipends, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

For Consideration Resolution adopting Oneida Nation School Board Stipend

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to adopt Resolution 10-25-06-D Oneida School Board Stipends, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Treasurer's Report – None

13. Oneida Business Committee Planning
October 10, 2006 Planning Committee Minutes

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept the October 10, 2006 Planning Minutes, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Executive Staff Meeting – None

15. Legislative Affairs Update
1. Transition Relief for Indian Tribal Governmental Plans
2. Local, Municipal and County Report

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Transition Relief for Indian Tribal Governmental Plans and the Local, Municipal and County, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Executive Session
- **a. Tabled Business** – None
- **b. Old Business**

1. Trish King RE: WHEDA – Alternative Housing

Excerpt from August 16, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to support the concept and refer this item to the General Manager, back with recommendations in 30 days, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from September 27, 2006: Motion by Trish King to defer this item for 30 days, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept the WHEDA Alternative Housing update as FYI with final recommendations from the General Manager at the November 8, 2006 Oneida Business Committee meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Garnishment Update

Excerpt from August 30, 2006: Motion by Paul Ninham to refer this item to management for follow up with individual and to LOC for potential amendment to the policy, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept as FYI, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

- **c. New Business**

1. David Webster RE: Approval of Attorney Contract for Sweeney & Associates for the Oneida Police Commission.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the attorney Contract for Sweeney and Associates for the Oneida Police Commission, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Brenda Skenandore RE: Approval of Jerry Hill's Contract for FY 2007

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the attorney contract for Jerry Hill for FY07 with the addition of language not to exceed $60,000.00, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Neil Cornelius RE: Master Plan

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to delete this item from the agenda, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Mercie Danforth RE: CCH Accounting Research Manager License Agreement

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the CCH Accounting Research Manager License Agreement, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

- **d. Legislative Affairs Update**

A. Contracts
1. Pace-Capstone Addendum (FY 06)

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to retro approve the Pace-Capstone Contract addendum FY06, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Congressional Quarterly

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Congressional Quarterly as FYI, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Pace-Capstone (FY 07)

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Pace-Capstone contract for FY07, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Tenuta & Associates Inc.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Tenuta & Associates, Inc. contract, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

- **e. Attorney Brief**

Attorney Brief – October 25, 2006

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept the Attorney Brief as FYI and to approve the excess payment to attorney Arlinda Locklear for FY06 in the amount of $52,075.08, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

- **f. Audit Committee**

August 24, 2006 Meeting Minutes

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the August 24, 2006 Audit Minutes, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

- **g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1st meeting of the month)**
- **h. Seven Generation Corporation Update (1st and 2nd meeting of the month)**

Recess/Adjourn

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adjourn, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on November 8, 2006.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Next Regular Business Committee Meeting…

Wednesday • December 6, 2006 • 9:00 A.M.
Business Committee Conference Room
Norbert Hill Center • 2nd Floor

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State/National

Onondagas say history proves lawsuit should go forward

By William Kates
Associated Press Writer

SYRACUSE, N.1Y. (AP) ~ The Onondaga Indian Nation has persistently protested that New York state stole its historic territory and the tribe was blocked from its day in court for nearly two centuries by the American legal system, tribal officials said Monday.

The Onondaga leaders were responding to a bid by the state to get the tribe's land claim thrown out of federal court.

"We are trying to do this in a civil way, even though we have a lot of anger, a lot of frustration," said Sid Hill, an Onondaga chief and the Tadodaho, or spiritual leader, of the six-nation Iroquois Confederacy.

"We don't want to be in court. But we have no other way. No one is listening," Hill said.

The Onondagas filed a lawsuit in March 2005 that laid claim to 4,000 square miles in 11 upstate New York counties stretching from Pennsylvania to Canada. About 875,000 people live in the area, which includes Syracuse and other cities.

They have stressed they are not seeking monetary damages, eviction of residents or rental payments. Instead, they want a court judgment that New York violated federal law in acquiring ancestral tribal lands and that the land continues to belong to the Onondagas.

Onondaga leaders have said they would use their claim to force the state to clean up hazardous, polluted sites like Onondaga Lake.

In August, the state asked U.S. District Judge Lawrence Kahn to dismiss the Onondagas' case, contending the tribe waited too long to sue.

The state cited a 2005 decision by the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which ruled the Cayuga Indians waited too long to pursue their land claim. The Cayugas sued New York in 1980. After going to trial in district court, the Cayugas and the Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma won a $247.9 million judgment against the state in 2001, an award reversed by the appeals court.

Last year, in another case involving a New York tribe, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that too many years had passed for the Oneida Indian Nation to claim that its reservation lands were again sovereign and tax-exempt.

The state insists the same arguments that doomed the Oneida and Cayuga claims apply to the Onondagas.

"They don't even deny they broke the law anymore," said Joseph Heath, the tribe's attorney. "They just say it happened too long ago. They want to waltz off into the sunset and forgot about any justice."

The Onondagas said their case is different, and they filed over 1,000 pages of legal papers on Thursday to bolster their case, including a number of primary historical documents, Heath said.

The state's claims to Onondaga lands are based on a series of purchases between 1790 and 1822. But the state negotiated the first two of those deals with unauthorized representatives of the tribe while the chiefs were in the Ohio territory helping the federal government negotiate peace agreements with other Indian nations, Heath said.

None of the deals was ever approved by the federal government, which is required by federal law, treaties and the U.S. Constitution, the Onondagas contend.

Within months of the first acquisition, Onondaga chiefs traveled to Albany to protest the deal, and they have been seeking to regain their lands ever since, Heath said.

"It would be like someone claiming to own your home because of a contract signed by someone who happened to be standing on the lawn," Heath said.

When New York made its land deals, the Onondagas, like other tribes, were the victims of "constant political, social and economic exclusion and oppression" and faced "intense and open racism," said Chief Oren Lyons.

In the 1920's, the Onondagas tried to take New York state to court, but the federal courts ruled that such suits could not be heard in the federal courts. Only in 1974 did the U.S. Supreme Court open the courts to Indian land claims, Lyons said.

The state has until Dec. 15 to respond to the Onondagas' arguments.

Abramoff enters prison, e-mails friends about scandal 'nightmare'

By Matt Apuzzo and David Dishneau
Associated Press Writers

CUMBERLAND, Md. (AP) – One-time power broker Jack Abramoff lamented "this nightmare" political scandal that stretches from Congress to the White House and looked toward being with family and friends again someday as he entered a federal prison Wednesday.

Abramoff, who parlayed campaign donations and expensive gifts into political influence, arrived at about 6:30 a.m. EST at a relatively secluded prison facility in western Maryland. He will serve a nearly six-year sentence for a fraudulent Florida business deal.

"This nightmare has gone on for almost three years so far and I expect we are not even half way through," Abramoff wrote in an e-mail to friends before dawn Wednesday.

Still hanging over Abramoff is a public corruption case in Washington, where prosecutors are investigating Bush administration officials, federal lawmakers and their aides. Abramoff pleaded guilty in that case and is helping prosecutors.

"Unfortunately, things are going to get worse (starting today no doubt) before they get better, but I am confident that ultimately the turmoil will subside and we will have our lives back," Abramoff wrote in his e-mail.

The e-mail, described by Abramoff as "My last e-mail for a while," was provided to The Associated Press by one his correspondents, who asked to remain anonymous.

Abramoff, inmate No. 27593-112, was delivered to prison out of sight of waiting reporters and camera crews. He will be held at a 334-bed minimum-security prison camp near an industrial park along the north branch of the Potomac River.

From prison, Abramoff will continue cooperating with the Justice Department, helping explain how he manipulated government decisions and who else was involved. The case has already led to the conviction of former Bush administration official David Safavian and guilty pleas from former U.S. Rep. Bob Ney, R-Ohio, and several congressional aides.

The scandal also contributed to the election day defeat of Republicans nationwide.

Like all federal prisoners, Abramoff will be required to have a prison job. Unlike his previous job, which involved chartering jets for exotic golf excursions and facilitating huge campaign donations, Abramoff will make between 12 and 40 cents an hour. Stephen Finger, executive assistant at the prison, said new inmates typically start in menial jobs such as food service work.

The all-male prison camp, which is surrounded by Appalachian Mountain ridges, consists of cinderblock two-story dormitories, each containing six-bed cubicles.

In his e-mail, Abramoff told friends he understood if they couldn't make the trip to visit him. He explained the 15-minute time limit on phone calls, said he wouldn't have access to e-mail but hoped he'd have use of a typewriter.

"Please bear in mind, though, that I am not permitted to conduct any ongoing business while in prison, and plan to be even stricter on myself than the rules require," he wrote.

He also noted that authorities could - and likely would - read his mail.

An Orthodox Jew, he did not spell out the word "God" in his e-mail, but told friends he would look for spiritual meaning in prison.

"I have learned more lessons in the past three years than I have my whole life, and I am hoping that my family and I can see the good in G-d's plan for us during these times, and gain strength from it," Abramoff wrote.

Federal prisons make arrangements for religious needs, including prayer services and kosher meals, prison officials said.

The Abramoff investigation has also ensnared Ney's former chief of staff and two aides to former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas. The case cost DeLay his leadership seat before he ultimately resigned, and it contributed to the Election Day defeat of Sen. Conrad Burns, R-Mont.

Safavian was sentenced in October to 18 months in prison for lying to investigators about his ties to Abramoff. He is asking a federal judge to postpone his sentence until he can appeal his conviction.

Burns, who received about $150,000 in Abramoff-related donations and whose aides traveled on the lobbyist's jet to the 2001 Super Bowl, has denied any wrongdoing. Though two of DeLay's aides have pleaded guilty, the former majority leader maintains his innocence and has not been charged.

Also under scrutiny are Rep. John Doolittle, R-Calif., who accepted campaign money from Abramoff and used the lobbyist's luxury sports box for a fundraiser without initially reporting it, and former Deputy Interior Secretary Steven Griles, who senators and a former colleague said gave preferential treatment to Abramoff and his

From Page 1A/ *Skenandore*

hand-to-hand combat to hone the skills he'll need to become a police officer.

"If there is a situation where I can use a less-than-lethal-technique or subdue a potentially bad situation, I'd much rather use less-than-lethal," he said. While he would prefer to use his communication skills to avoid physical confrontation, Skenandore said "there are times when police officers have to take you to the ground."

He is currently attending Northeast Wisconsin Technical College and hopes to earn his associates degree next year.

Skenandore is sharing his experience, as well, by coaching the Thunderhawks wrestling team.

"(Wrestling's) helped me through a lot of things, it gives me perseverance against adversity and it builds you as a person, not only as an athlete," said Skenandore. "That's the goal I'm trying to instill in most of these kids that I'm going to be coaching here in the up-coming future."

From Page 1A/ *Gathering*

The gathering was held in the Norbert Hill Center BC conference room. There were a number of scheduled speakers that included Mark Powless, Brian Doxtator and Rich Fig. Also there was a open microphone opportunity for any member who wanted to speak at the event.

The event was a success and the Land Claims Commission will be meeting on December 7 to discuss the past event and plan the next one.

"All in all it was a great event. There was a lot of positive feedback. We definitely will be doing it again," Benson said.

The Canandaigua Treaty of 1794 was signed by 59 members of the Six-Nations and Timothy Pickering, the sole agent appointed by President George Washington. The Treaty was signed on November 11 of that year and then ratified by Washington.

From Page 1A/ *Crandon Mine land purchase*

land if mining does not occur. The tribes have now purchased all of these potential rights and interests from the original owners.

Despite the settlement, tribal leaders say they already had secure control of the site because they also controlled land surrounding the mine site. That meant there was no route to transport ore out of the site by rail or other means without the consent of the tribes.

"This new purchase of rights shuts the door on any potential claims regarding the ability of the tribes to prevent unsafe mining at the site," Chairman Frank said. "We do not believe that there is any mining technology is existence that would allow the site to be safely mined." The chairman also said no existing technology would comply with state and federal regulatory requirements, including groundwater laws. Wisconsin's mining moratorium law requires any applicant to prove that similar mines have been operated and closed without pollution.

Chairwoman Rachel said, "Our culture and our quality of life depend on natural and wild areas such as this. We were honored to purchase and withdraw the mining application in 2003 and we are privileged to continue our efforts today."

Both tribes had vehemently opposed the mining proposals at the site for years. Under those proposals, the mine would affect water and increase sediment in Swamp Creek, which flows into Rice Lake on the Mole Lake reservation, just west of the proposed mine site. The Potawatomi reservation is also nearby, to the northeast. Swamp Creek was designated as an Outstanding Resource Water in October by the Department of Natural Resources.

The tribes said the problems with the mining proposal were numerous. For example, both the mine and a tailings dump would contain perpetually toxic wastes. The mine and the 16 million tons of wastes in the dump would be never-ending sources of groundwater contamination. In addition, the mine waste dump would eventually fail, potentially releasing massive amounts of additional contamination.

The proposed mine would also have caused significant risks of surface and groundwater contamination because of its transportation, use, storage and disposal of hundreds of thousands of tons of hazardous substances, including cyanide. Similarly, the proposed mine would cause devastating flooding, dehydration and other impacts to hundreds of acres of wetlands. Tens of thousands of tons of sediments would be dumped into now-pristine wetlands and streams.

The possibility of mining has created controversy since 1969, when Exxon began mineral exploration south of Crandon. An application to mine at the site was filed with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers by Exxon in 1980 and withdrawn in 1986. The most recent proposal to mine zinc and copper at the site was filed in 1994 and substantially revised in 1998. However, the applicant had not yet submitted enough technical information for the application to be deemed complete and for the formal agency review of the permit to begin by the time the tribes purchased the site in 2003. Permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are also needed to mine.

Owners of the project have included Exxon, Crandon Mining Company, Rio Algom, Billiton and BHP Billiton. In April 2003, Northern Wisconsin Resources Group acquired the official mine applicant, Nicolet Mineral Company (NMC), from BHP Billiton, the world's largest mining company. In October 2003, the two tribes purchased the mine site from NMC and the Sokaogon Chippewa became the owners of NMC.

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Family Fitness Highlights

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M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

Part 3 – One Person's story

Arthritis pain and Water Exercise

By Carol Anderson
as told to Oriana Lee Kreuscher
Lifeguard and Water Aerobics Instructor

"Exercise? Me? Exercise in the water? You have got to be kidding!"

These were my thoughts when a physical therapist gave me advice on helping me feel better. For about 15 years I had been doctoring for some kind of arthritis problem. I had been tested, prodded, examined, measured, and advised. Some things that the experts suggested included various pain medication, massages, keeping a food diary, steroids, vitamin therapy, joining a support group, medication, yoga, holistic healers etc.

I tried many of these options but nothing seemed to have a lasting effect on my body, my pain.

At Mayo Clinic, I learned that my problem was real. I also learned that sometimes, such as in my case, arthritis can run in families. My grandfather was severely handicapped. I feel that I am fortunate because I did not start having serious pain and discomfort until I was approaching my "golden years." The pain was real but I do not think that it was taken seriously by some medical professionals. Frankly, many of women's complaints go unheeded because "women are emotional, aren't they?" I have run into this thinking even among professionals in the medical community. Other women have told me of similar responses to their arthritis pain.

After finding some doctors who seemed to understand that the problem was not in my head, there still remained and trial and error period to find out what would work for me.

At that time I met a physical therapist named Andy who told me that water exercise might be one of the answers for someone like me diagnosed with fibromyalgia and Rheumatoid Arthritis. Andy had no way of knowing that here-to-for, athlete had never been used in connection with my name. I was not into exercise. And water exercise? I do not swim. I have a childhood fear of the water.

About this time I heard a radio commercial for Oneida Family Fitness on the radio. I may be stubborn, but I was in pain. The pain medication that I had been taking did not stop my pain. Desperate times call for desperate measures. In other words I needed to change my lifestyle. So in spite of my misgivings, I visited the center which happened to be in my neighborhood.

From the first day that I walked in everyone treated me well. The receptionist explained the water therapy program. Ruth, one of the members, encouraged me to come saying that she was sure that I would like it. She was right!

The water is warm: it soothes the body. Several days a week the classes are geared for those of us with arthritis. In the water environment, exercise not only feels good, but also has lasting effects long after one leaves water. Our teachers are well trained and offer us appropriate exercise for our problems. Many in the classes have such similar health problems that we have mini support groups most days.

An unexpected benefit from my attending Oneida Family Fitness has been that I have so many new friends. Who would have guessed that in my "golden years" would have a new set of friends both Oneidas as well as non-Oneidas.

We are taught how to increase our mobility as well as our flexibility. We gradually strengthen our muscles and our coordination improves. The pain does diminish. We are an encouraging group with the instructors the main cheerleaders. Each person's success is celebrated. Not only that, but we have fun! If laughter is the best medicine, we must all be a lot healthier.

I wish I could say that I am now pain free but that would not be true. What is true however is that I have been able to cut down, and in some cases cut out, most of my medication. I do find more days when the pain is not so overwhelming. By exercising my pain diminishes. I seem to be able to cope with it better. Unbelievably, I look forward to exercising at Oneida Family Fitness at least 3 or 4 days a week. Exercising - yes. Exercising in the water - yes. Exercising in the water at Oneida Family Fitness - positively!

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Nicole Cooley

Submitted by Adam Brown
Oneida Family Fitness


Nicole Cooley

Nicole Cooley has had a long history with the Fitness Center. She has been a member of the Fitness Center since it was located at the Norbert Hill Center, around 10 or 11 years, when she began taking Kevin Schoenebeck's Tae Kwon Do class. Then in 2002, the Oneida Family Fitness Center offered a Lifeguard training course, instructed by Teresa Roth. Nicole signed up right away. When she finished the course, she was only 15, not yet old enough to legally be a lifeguard. When she was old enough, she applied for the open lifeguard position. Nicole has now been a lifeguard at the Oneida Family Fitness Center since June of 2003.

Some of her hobbies include walking in the woods, camping, and medieval role-play re-enactments, such as those seen at the Renaissance Fair. She loves to spend time outside, regardless of the weather. She especially enjoys swimming at a lake in the summer and walking in Baird's Creek in the winter. She also enjoys the line-dancing classes at the Oneida Family Fitness Center.

When at work, she spends most of her time in the pool area, and you can sometimes find her teaching the line-dancing class or any of the other water exercise classes offered by the Fitness Center. She always looks forward to seeing new and familiar faces alike, so feel free to stop by and say hi if you're in the area.

What is Celiac Disease?

By Jason Manders
Oneida Family Fitness Specialist

Celiac disease is a digestive disease that damages the small intestine and interferes with absorption of nutrients from food. People with celiac disease cannot tolerate a protein called gluten, found in wheat, rye and barley. When people with celiac disease eat foods containing gluten, their immune system responds by damaging the small intestine.

Celiac disease is a genetic disease, meaning it runs in the family. Sometimes the disease is triggered or becomes active for the first time after surgery, pregnancy, or viral infection. Some people develop symptoms as children, others as adults. The length of time a person is breast fed, ages of person starting to eat gluten enriched diets will determine how and when celiac disease appears.

The only treatment for celiac disease is to follow a gluten-free diet. For most people, following this new diet will stop symptoms, and heal existing intestinal damage and prevent further damage. A person with celiac disease should not eat grains, pasta, cereal and many processed foods. Despite these restrictions, people with Celiac disease can eat a well-balanced diet with a variety of foods including gluten free bread, pasta and replacing wheat flour with bean flour. Plain meat, fish rice, fruits and vegetables don't contain gluten which allows for more selection when choosing a healthy diet.



Oneida Family Fitness Staff

Michelle Mielke	*Fitness Center Director*
Ryan Waterstreet	*Assitant Director*
Lori Bembnister	*Fitness Specialist Lead*
Ryan Engel	*Fitness Specialist Lead*
Eric Frantz	*Fitness Specialist*
Tina Jacobsen	*Fitness Specialist*
Jason Manders	*Fitness Specialist*
Stefanie Richter	*Fitness Specialist*
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Adam Brown	*Martial Arts Instructor*
Maureen Cisler	*Administrative Assistant*
Martina Frechette	*Administrative Assistant*
Teresa Holschuh-Sieja	*Aquatics Trainer/Supervisor*
Nicole Cooley	*Lifeguard*
Orrie Kreuscher	*Lifeguard*
Teresa Roth	*Lifeguard*
Jessica Mettler	*Lifeguard*

The **O**neida **F**amily **F**itness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at: 2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI Phone: **(920) 490-3730.** Look for *O.F.F. highlights* once a month in the Kali.



Fitness Members *for the month of* November 2006


Lou Williams Jr.

Lou has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness on and off during the past eleven years. He first began an exercise program to lose weight, improve his athleticism, and improve his health. Lou's biggest obstacle to achieving his goals was making time for exercise. However, his belief in Shukwaya ti`su (The Creator) keeps him motivated to stay healthy.

Currently, Lou lifts weights Monday through Saturday. He also plays basketball during the noon hour on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Along with exercise, Lou has made changes in his diet over the years to help improve his health. He eats more fresh fruit, vegetables, and whole grains. He also eats more food that is high in protein and low in fat.

Lou enjoys working out at Oneida Family Fitness because of the equipment that's available, the basketball court, and the pool. Besides coming here, Lou enjoys mountain biking, jogging, hiking, camping, fishing, hunting, water sports, canoeing, and boating.

Finally, Lou's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Stop talking about it and do it!"


Pat Jensen

Pat has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for just over one year. She began an exercise program because she was losing bone density and her children encouraged her to perform weight-bearing exercises to help stay strong. The one obstacle that stood in her way was learning how to use the equipment in order to exercise. However, Pat's desire to stay healthy as she gets older has helped to keep her coming.

Pat's exercise program consists of participating in a variety of classes that includes Elder Strength, Elder Core, Lively Lo, Yoga, Pilates, and Aqua Classes. She also enjoys reading while using the treadmill, and swimming during open swim times. Pat's biggest accomplishment to date is overcoming the fear of looking foolish while exercising. Since she wasn't into sports or fitness most of her life, she felt that she would look out of place. With this fear aside, Pat now has a routine that is comfortable for her.

Pat enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because the classes are a fun and social way of staying fit, the staff is friendly and knowledgeable, and she enjoys using the warm pool. Besides working out, Pat enjoys traveling, biking, cooking, reading and spending time at her cabin in northern Minnesota.

Finally, Pat's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Sample some of the programs at Oneida Family Fitness because they make it affordable and enjoyable. It's a very comfortable place to go, and you don't need to be self-conscious about your body image!".

Oneida youth brighten holiday parade in Green Bay







Kali Photos/Steven J. Gandy

The Oneida Nation School Band made their third appearance in the Green Bay Christmas Parade on Saturday, November 18. The 35 member band is comprised of students in grades 5 - 8 and is under the directorship of Calvin Siegrist and assisted by Andrea Birbilis. The band rode on a float driven by ONES Liaison Officer Jack Mehojah. At right, (bottom left) a 17 member holiday flag squad comprised of girls in grades 3 and 4 was also featured. (top right) Miss Oneida, Jr. Miss Oneida and 'lil Miss Oneida send holiday greetings all of whom rode in a Ford Mustang convertible sponsored by VanBoxtel Ford.



Upcoming Events

Throughout the Holiday Season!

Grand Christmas 2006

Thru December 23 –
Frank's Dinner Theatre will take you on a wonderful Christmas journey at the SC Grand in De Pere.

Christmas Back at the Corner

November 24-December 23 –
This holiday show is a throwback to the first Christmas performance ever at the Sports Corner in De Pere. Darren Johnson and company present a family-friendly Christmas show for all ages.

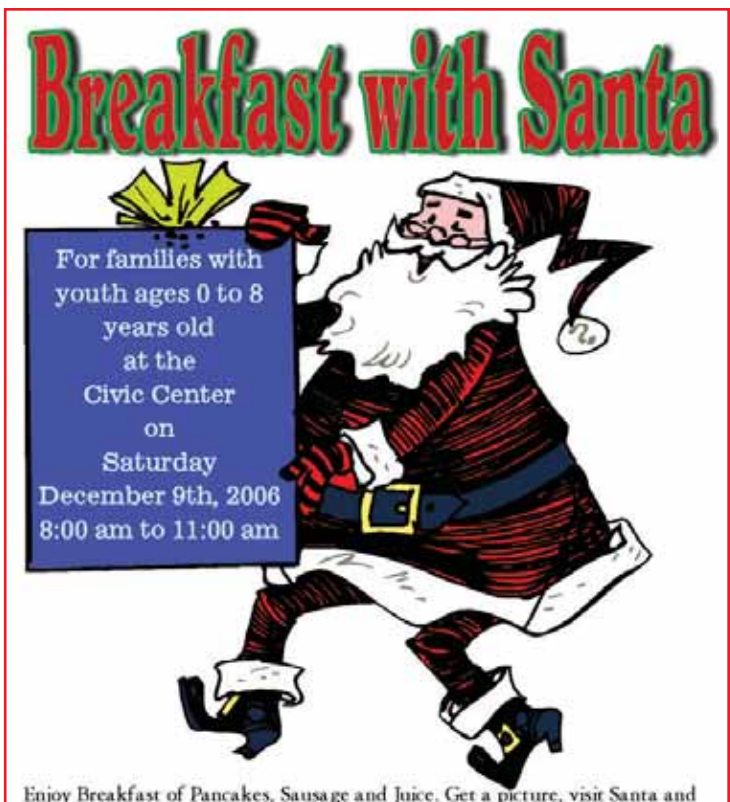
WPS Garden of Lights

November 24 – December 29 (weekends) –
More than 200,000 lights transform the Green Bay Botanical Garden into a dazzling holiday fantasyland.

Christmas Fantasy Parade

November 25 –
Ring in the holiday season in Two Rivers with the holiday parade at 5:30 p.m.

For more information on holiday events, or other events and attractions in Packer Country, visit www.packercountry.com.



Health/Environment

Breast cancer: Symptoms and factors

By Jason Manders
Oneida Family Fitness Center

Breast cancer is an illness women fear most, though they're more likely to die of cardiovascular disease than all forms of cancer combined. Thirty years ago a diagnosis of breast cancer meant the removal of the breast and treatment that resulted in nausea and lack of energy. Breast cancer, if symptoms are caught early enough, allow for more treatment options and a better chance of long-term recovery.

Symptoms

A. flattening or indentation of skin over the breast
B. Retraction or indentation of the nipple.
C. Redness or pitting of skin over the breast (like skin of an orange)

Each breast contains 15 to 20 lobes that divide into smaller lobules that produce milk during pregnancy and breast feeding. Breasts also contain vessels that transport lymph-a colorless fluid designed to carry waste products to lymph nodes that are primarily under the arm. The nodes are collections of immune system cells that filter bacteria and fight infection. In breast cancer, some of the cells in the breast begin growing abnormally. The abnormal cells grow more rapidly than healthy cells and spread throughout the breast.

Breast cancer factors

a. Age: Chances of developing breast cancer increase with age. Close to 80% of breast cancer occurs in women over the age of 50.
b. Family history: Having a mother, sister or daughter with breast or ovarian cancer increases the chances of developing breast cancer.
c. Smoking: Smoking increases the risk of breast cancer. Exposure to second hand smoke also increases the chance of developing breast cancer.

The American Cancer Society recommend women between the age of 20 and 30 have a clinical breast exam every three years and one annually after age 40. Women should also know how their breasts normally feel and report to their doctor for any abnormalities.

Oneida Pantry

2007 Net Income Guidelines

HH Size	Net Monthly Income	Monthly Deductions
1	$ 1,324	• Alimony or Support
2	1,790	• Dependent Care
3	2,255	• Medicare
4	2,721	*(Verification of these payments is required!)*
5	3,187	• Ph.: (920) 869-1041
6	3,652	• Fax: 869-1668
7	4,118	Email: food@oneidanation.org
8	4,583	
9	5,049	
10	5,515	
Add $466 per addl. person		*(Net income is 75% of gross earned income + **unearned income**)*

Use adjusted gross monthly for farmers or self employment. (Gross income minus operating expenses.)
Household income includes any income received whether cash or check. All wages, pensions, Social Security or S.S.I., Railroad Retirement, self employment, interest or dividends received from savings, certificates of deposit, stocks and bonds, or income from friends and family.
Pick up Oneida Pantry Foods weekly.

Oneida Food Distribution Program

Net Income Guidelines – FY 2007

Effective October 1, 2006

HH Size	Income Limits	Resource Limits	Deductions
1	$ 0,951.00	• $3,000.00 for household of two or more, in which one is over 60 years old.	• $200.00 for childcare under 2 years old.
2	1,234.00		• $175.00 for any other dependent care.
3	1,518.00	• $1,750.00 for all other households including elderly living alone.	• Medicare Payments
4	1,806.00		• Court ordered Child Support
5	2,112.00		
6	2,420.00		
7	2,703.00		
8	2,986.00		
Add $284 for each additional member.		OFFICE HOURS Mon–Thurs.: 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon / 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. Friday: 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon ONLY Phone: (920) 869-1041 • Fax: (920) 869-1668 We are always closed the last 5 working days of each month.	

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Community Flu Shot Clinic Schedule

We will **NOT** be holding flu clinics during our Tuesday walk-in immunization clinics. Please refer to the dates and times listed.

Feel free to call the Oneida Community Health Nursing Department at 869-4840 with further questions.

Date	Time
Wed.– Nov. 29, 2006	***7:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.***

Community Flu clinic is located at:
ONEIDA ***Community Health Center***
525 Airport Drive
Oneida, Wisconsin

COMMUNITY MEETING

Potential for Disability Endowment

Definitions

~ *Services currently offered*
~ *Services currently utilized*
~ *Determination of unmet needs*

WHEN: December 14, 2006 6 P.M.
WHERE: BC Conference Room, NHC

Turtle and frog hibernation

Bill Koonz
Specialist – Environmental Protection



Kalihwisaks file photo

Frogs and turtles have a unique way to make it through the winter.

Ever wonder how frogs and turtles survive the winter. Do they burrow into the mud, sit on the bottom of ponds or find a depression away from a wetland? How can they breath under water and what happens if oxygen levels decline to near zero in the winter? The answer to the first question is yes for all parts.

An example local species that burrow into the ground/mud are toads and bullfrogs. Toads may winter over 50 feet from a pond in a burrow three feet deep or more.

Leopard frogs spend their winters on the bottoms of ponds. Wood frogs winter in upland depressions where they live in the leaf litter. They are adapted to freezing (creating their own anti-freeze) and can tolerate temperatures several degrees below freezing. The temperature at the soil surface is seldom more than a few degrees below freezing, especially when covered by snow.

Spring peepers, tree frogs, chorus frogs and green frogs winter under logs or bark and all produce antifreeze that allows them to withstand periods of below freezing temperatures.

The answer to the second question follows: as the body temperature of many amphibians (frogs) decreases they need less oxygen and can acquire enough oxygen through their skin. If the pond's oxygen is depleted before the spring melt begins the frogs will die.

Painted turtles also winter on the bottoms of ponds, getting oxygen through their skin. I have seen painted turtles and leopard frogs through the ice in December and January.

Why do frogs have different strategies for winter survival? Each species has its unique adaptations for survival. If they winter on the bottom of a pond they are protected from rapid temperature changes but are vulnerable to oxygen depletion and predatory fish in the pond. If they burrow into the mud but are not adapted to breathing through their skin (toads) they risk being frozen in and having the water table rise and suffocate them. If they use an upland site, they can get to water early in the spring because the land heats up before the water but they risk being eaten by a predator and may freeze to death or dry out if snow cover does not adequately protect them. Thus the earliest breeding frog species (Wood Frogs and Boreal Chorus Frogs) winter in uplands away from ponds.

Frogs may live for seven years or more. It may take three years for them to mature and the bullfrog spends its first winter as a tadpole. Their tadpoles are seldom eaten by fish because they taste bad.

It is interesting that painted turtle hatchlings in the northern portion of their range may spend their first winter in their nests. They also create their own anti-freeze and can tolerate several degrees of freezing. If you encounter tiny turtles while raking leaves in the spring, they are young painted turtles that have overwintered in their nest and have not yet traveled to water. How the young adapted to freezing is of interest because adult painted turtles cannot tolerate freezing. That adaptation has allowed the painted turtle to have the most northerly range of any North American turtle.

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490-3730

American Red Cross

HEALTH CENTER AJNH CRAFT/BAKE SALE

Date: Friday, December 8, 2006
Where: Oneida Health Center
Main Conference Room
Time: 11:00 A.M. til 3:30 P.M.
Great assortment of Crafts and Bake Goods
Any questions or if you would like to sell,
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Judi Skenandore at 869-4809
or Terry VanWychen at 869-44[illegible]









Thunderhawk Times

ONHS Student Council Shines at Ropes Course

By Carol Johnson
ONHS teacher and student council advisor

We received a note recently from Cindy Young of the Oneida Experiential and Adventure Program, a part of Oneida Healthworks.

It reads:

"Carol -

What an awesome group of kids that came out today to the ropes course. It is so nice to see a group of high school students from ONHD work so well together. They were interactive, cooperative, polite and had fun! They were able to speak to the learning objectives throughout - and at the close of group.

The wonderful picture that was taken could be a great contribution to the Kali. The community could see and hear about the good things that the teens are learning and doing. Compliments! If you would like help in writing an article, let me know. A nice article could be written from the kids' perspective, with your and our side compliments. Let me know!"

Well, here it is. And it speaks for itself. Too often we hear about the things our students do wrong. Here's a big shout-out to the students on our student council who are obviously doing some things right.

The future of politics



THT Photo

ONHS students congratulate Democratic Congressman Steve Kagen on his electoral victory to the 8th Congressional District. (l to r) Twyla Danforth, Amanda Skenandore, Kagen, Ashley Skenandore and Freddie Hernandez.

Meet THT's Marty Stevens

By Thunderhawk Times staff

Martin Stevens, Jr. lives in Green Bay.

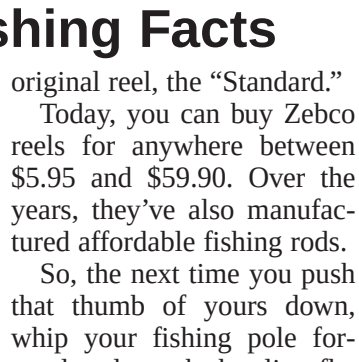
His favorite colors are "blue and black."

He was born in 1990, on October 25.

He had "a cat named Auggie "pimp with a limp." They call him that because "he walks with a limp." Auggie likes to "bring home decapitated squirrels" for his family which they don't always appreciate.

His favorite month is "October." Duh! That's because his birthday is in that month and because "there are haunted houses."

His other favorite month is December "because of all the presents you get at X-Mass."



Martin Stevens

When he gets older and "gets his Indian money," he wants to "move back to Oneida and have my own place."

Martin plans on going to college to become an architect. Then, when he "graduates out of college" he plans to "design and build" his own house.

If his architecture plans fall through, he wants to start his own business.

Expensive Cars to Insure

By Randall Danforth
ONHS sophomore

Everyone thinks about what it would be like to own a fancy car, but they don't usually think about how much it costs to insure one.

Insurance companies set their rates by how much they expect to shell out if you wreck your car. They also factor in the idea that you might actually wreck your car based on some fancy math, the "composite history" of people who own the same model.

These Top 10 Most Expensive Vehicles to Insure are pricey ones to begin with. On top of that, they usually have little quirks that contribute to higher repair costs, or increase the odds of repairs.

High-performance cars are more likely to tempt drivers to try risky maneuvers. Powerful engines make you drive faster, which increases the likelihood of accidents and the severity of the damage in an accident.

The materials used in cars, aluminum for example, and the location of the various systems that control the car also drive up the price.

Here are the top 10 most expensive cars to insure:

1. Mercedes-Benz SL65
2. Lincoln Town Car BPS
3. BMW 760Li
4. Audi A8L W12
5. Mercedes-Benz G55 AMG
6. Volkswagen Phaeton W12
7. BMW M5
8. Jaguar XJ8 Super V8
9. Porsche Cayenne Turbo
10. Land Rover Range Rover Supercharged

Does anyone really know what time it is?

by Shakira Stevens
ONHS senior

Today when I was late for class, my reason was that I was pondering the meaning of time.

What exactly is the meaning of time?

When a teacher tells you to be on class on time, when is that time?

Personally I think the time I should go to class is when I feel ready to learn.

When the bell rings, signaling that class has begun, what do I do if I am not ready?

It's simple–wait until I am ready to attend and learn.

This is the reason that today I was late for class.

I was pondering the meaning of time.

Chicago's My Hood

By Doug Laster
ONHS sophomore

I'm from the big windy city of Chicago, IL where I was born.

I moved to Oneida, WI when I was two years old because my family wanted to move out of the projects.

What I love about Chicago is the food, the people and the surroundings. The best place to eat in Chicago is Pasqaule's, the best hot dog place in the U.S. There's also a Pasquale's in De Pere, but, sorry, it's not as good as the real one in Chicago.

I plan on moving back to Chicago turn eighteen. That's when the per cap comes in.

I can't wait.

I go by the name Doogie, Douglas or just plain "Freshness."

Oh and, "DA BEARS!"

One More Thing You Don't Know, Denis

Advisor's Note: Most Tuesdays in Journalism we do a thing called "Tell Me Something I Don't Know." Students teach the teacher.

But first, I usually get comments like, "Where do I start, Denis. You don't know much of anything." and "You mean we can write about anything!"

My students are very funny, aren't they? Still, they do some pretty good work.

– Denis Gullickson

Here's a recent example:

Badgers Play Like a Team

By Nick Cantu
ONHS junior

A couple of weeks back, the Wisconsin Badgers almost got beat by one of the worst teams in college football – Illinois.

But they came back and scored 10 points in the second, third and fourth to win the game 30-24.

They were getting beat at halftime 24-10.

But the Badgers know how to play as a team. It's a lesson the Oneida Nation Thunderhawks could learn from.

That's how the Badgers ended up winning, because they finally started playing as a team, and just before halftime they got it together.

Tiny Zebco Fishing Facts

By Eldon Powless
ONHS sophomore

Who doesn't own a Zebco rod and reel? It's the two-piece set that nearly every kid starts fishing with.

Zebco, the company, has been manufacturing reels for awhile. In 1948, just after WWII, Zebco turned out its first reel.

The 1950's saw major improvements in Zebco's original reel, the "Standard."

Today, you can buy Zebco reels for anywhere between $5.95 and $59.90. Over the years, they've also manufactured affordable fishing rods.

So, the next time you push that thumb of yours down, whip your fishing pole forward and watch that line fly, remember, that inexpensive reels have a history.

The Importance of Grandparents

By Shaina Powless
ONHS sophomore

Everybody has grandparents . . . of course.

My grandparents are: Matt and Sheila Powless, Elanor Powless, and my great-grandmother, Marcella Powless. They are on my dad's side.

On my mother's side, I have the late Earling Matson and Delia Matson.

Grandparents are very special. They are important to everyone and the community.

Each grandma and grandpa are like libraries. They are so full of wisdom. You can learn a lot from them.

The most wonderful thing is that they are yours and they will be there for you no matter what the circumstances.

They are great for you to talk to, to laugh with, or if you need a shoulder to lean on.

My grandparents are every one of those things and more for me.

I really appreciate it.

A few facts on Bison

By Doug Reed
ONHS sophomore

The Oneidas started with 13 bison and now have 150. The fence that houses the bison is 1200 volts.

A baby calf can weigh up to 40 to 45 pounds. It will live off its mother for one year.

A full-grown bison weighs up to 1200 to 1500 pounds.

Bison meat is better for you than beef. Bison is also used for dance outfits.

Bison can run up to 35 miles per hour if they have a clear path.

Bison live to be about 40 years old.

Bison can have up to 40 calves, one every year.

Bison can control their body temperature in the summer and the winter. In the summer, they will be cold, in the winter they will be warm.



Kali file photo/Dawn Walschinski

TomKat? Who Cares?

Dateline…
Journalism Class, Friday, November 17.

The Big News…

Tom Cruise is getting married. It's called TomKat. You can't turn on the TV or pick up the newspaper without getting updated on the story.

The Assignment…

Say whether you care or not and explain why.

Some Responses:

"I don't!" (3 responses)

"No one." (2 responses)

"'Who cares?' is right!"

"I don't. Why would anyone else?"

"?"

"I think my grandma might."

"People with a lot of time on their hands and not much to do."

Bottom Line…

A big sigh of relief and renewed faith in our young people.

My Scoop

Pelosi, The Fist Lady Ever!

By Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

Talk about making history! Nancy Pelosi is the first female Speaker of the House. She is just two steps away from Presidency, which makes her the highest ranking woman in the US history. This shows that woman can handle power at any level and they can do anything that a man can do.

Pelosi has a lot in mind to help out the US. She has made an agenda for the "First Hundred Hours" that promises to reform lobbying, enact the recommendations of the bipartisan 9/11 commission, raise the minimum wage to $7.25 an hour, cut the interest rate on student loans in half, streamline Medicare's prescription drug program and expand federal funding for stem cell research.

I am glad that Nancy Pelosi won Speaker of the House. I'm always glad to see a woman start to take charge because that is what this country needs–for women to be running the whole thing. That would make life so much easier for everyone.

Super Turnout for Parent-Teacher Conferences

By Thunderhawk Times staff

Parent-Teacher Conferences for the high school staff were moved back to Norbert Hill Center from the Turtle School and the turnout was "really good," said ONHS secretary Carol Martin.

At least twenty-five parents and families showed up, representing about 1/4 of the ONHS student body.

A drawing was held for door prizes. The following people won the following prizes.

ONHS Athletic Cap: Brian Bateman, father of Matt and Brittany Bateman.

ONHS Athletic Shorts and Tee: Antonio Vargas, friend of Nicole and Winona Godfrey.

Signed Copy of Book by Denis Gullickson: Raymond Reed, father of Martin Stevens.

Four Gambler Hockey tickets: Kathy Metoxen, mother of Crystal Metoxen.

Weekend Radisson Stay: Robert Granquist, father of Bradley Granquist.

Education



Pinching pennies for the Pantry

Photo courtesy of The Hobart Press

It was a worthwhile penny war at Hillcrest Elementary School. Principal Jennifer Gracyalny presented a check in excess of $1,200.00 to Gary Smith, the Oneida Pantry Volunteer Coordinator. A group of 5th grade girl scouts at Hillcrest spent several days after school and the weekend counting the pennies.

06-'07 Boys Basketball Schedule

Friday, December 1-2
Kohler Tournament (Kohler)
JV–9:45 PM – Fri.
Varsity–8:00 PM – Fri.
Saturday Games TBA

Tuesday, December 5
Tri-County (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

Tuesday, December 12
Menominee Indian (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

• **Friday, December 15**
Laona
J.V.–5:30 PM **Varsity–7 PM**

Friday, December 29-30
Gresham T'ment (Gresham)
J.V.–TBA **Varsity–TBA**

• **Friday, January 5**
Sevastopol
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

• **Tuesday, January 9**
Green Bay NEW Lutheran
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

Tuesday, January 11
Bowler (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

• **Tuesday, January 16**
Goodman
J.V.–5:30 PM **Varsity–7 PM**

• Friday, January 19
Gibraltar
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

• **Tuesday, January 23**
Coleman
J.V.–5:30 PM **Varsity–7 PM**

Friday, January 26
Milw. Destiny (•)
Varsity ONLY – 7 PM

Friday, February 2
Tigerton (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

Tuesday, February 6
Sevastopol (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

Thursday, February 8
St. Lawrence Seminary (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

• **Friday, February 16**
Lac Courte Oreilles
Varsity ONLY – 7:30

• **Thursday, February 22**
Menominee Indian
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

Febuary 27 – March 19
Regional, Sectional and State Finals – TBA

Oneida Nation Community Education Center

Parent Learning Lab Available

Submitted by Wendy Dickinson
Software Instructor

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center, in its ongoing pursuit to provide Oneida citizens, employee's and community members with outstanding customer service, is providing a remodeled area for adult learning. We've named it the "Parent Learning Lab" and it has a colorful adjacent "Children's Play Room". This addition to our list of services allows parents with small children to work with a computer and also provide for their children's needs. By adding this P.L.L. for parents and a children's play area for little ones we encourage the concept of Life-Long Learning. This addition makes it possible for parents with young children to accomplish tasks on computers knowing their children are close by and are provided constant supervision.

The Community Education Center recently became equipped as a Video Conferencing Center. This allows both Oneida employees and Oneida tribal members the ability to hold video conferences with groups at a great distance from our Community Education Center. The Great Lakes Inter- Tribal Conference provided the Oneida Nation with new Polycom Video Conferencing equipment and a T1 dedicated fiber optic line, which allows the Oneida Nation to connect via teleconference with the other ten federally recognized tribes within the State of Wisconsin. Badger Link and Badger Net Access also allows the O.N.C.E.C. to connect to all Wisconsin K-12 school districts and college campuses statewide.

This equipment is initially being used to teach Small Business Entrepreneurship classes at the Community Education Center. The first class started on November 1st, 2006. If you're interested in taking one of these classes simply contact: **Chip Mullineux, Small Business Training Coordinator, P.O. Box 9, Lac du Flambeau, WI 54538,** or call him at: **1-(715) 588-3324 ext. 221,** or E-mail him at: **chip.mullineux@glitc.org**.

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center first began offering small business entrepreneurship classes in December of 2005. The Oneida Tribe is poised on the cutting edge of this new training program, so The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Conference has offered to provide the tribe with additional new technological equipment. The Community Education Center will soon be receiving a classroom sized "Smart Board" and laptop with the capacity to enlarge the thirty- two inch Polycom screen, for classroom viewing.

This technologically advanced video conferencing equipment may be reserved for Long Distance Learning (LDL)opportunities for enrolled Oneida Tribal members or Business Units by contacting Amber Parker, Administrative Assistant, at: **(920) 496-5260** or GroupWise her at: **aparker@oneidanation.org.**

Our Oneida Nation Community Education Center GED/HSED staff is always available to help students of all ages obtain their General Education Development Certificate (G.E.D) or High School Equivalency Diploma (H.S.E.D). We've incorporated Access Twenty-first Century computer software, another way for students to access information and improve academic skills. Practice tests are available within the program to determine when students are prepared for successful testing.

Adult Higher Education students who could benefit from tutoring can either come in or make an appointment with one of our teachers for one-on-one assistance. Math and science tutoring is available in the following subjects: Tech school and college algebra, geometry, probability, statistics, physics, and some limited help is available in accounting and college chemistry. For any other subjects or topics please call or stop in with student textbooks and find out how we may help you.

If a younger student is having difficulty with a class in school we can provide them with "after school" homework learning time. Our general education department can tutor elementary through middle school math, English, reading or science courses, high school algebra, geometry, algebra II (including trigonometry and logarithms), pre-calculus, calculus, high school biology physics and chemistry. We have (K-12 state certified) teachers ready to assist students with their challenging classroom projects and assignments.

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center is open Monday thru Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., on Friday from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and on Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information on computer classes, training or assistance, contact the Center at ***496-5260.***

Oneida Nation Elementary School

Honor Roll 2006-2007

Submitted By Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal, Oneida Nation Elementary

Honors 3.0-3.49

3rd Grade
Brannon Skenandore - 3.056
Kasey Counard - 3.099
Jaycob Johnson - 3.250
Toni Bodway - 3.266
William Johnson - 3.333
Eric Denny - 3.371
Janet Seering - 3.434
Luke Penchoff - 3.434
Dylan Waupekenay - 3.444
David Doxtater-Hill - 3.482

4th Grade
Lorena Castill
Daniel Arce - 3.066
Kyrian LaBarge - 3.100
Alaicia Redhail - 3.133
Peter Penchoff - 3.134
Rebecca BrownBull - 3.191
Dante Thomas - 3.267
Isis Croston - 3.333
Akacia Muscavitch - 3.334
Faith Powless - 3.400
Autumn Pocan - 3.401

5th Grade
Sequoyah Morgan-3.200
Shawntel Skenandore-Barnes - 3.233

6th Grade
David White - 3.068
Kayla Danforth - 3.104
Eveyonna Ortega - 3.294
Noelle Metoxen - 3.354
Abalone Paprocki - 3.399

7th Grade
Haley Hill - 3.315

8th Grade
Suezanne Webster - 3.118
Janace Christjohn - 3.119
Chelsea Jorgenson - 3.201
Shane Skenandore - 3.405
Salene LaRock - 3.490

High Honors 3.5-3.79

3rd Grade
Louisa Mehojah - 3.500
Makayla Doxtater - 3.566
Tessa Stanton - 3.629
Synala Smith - 3.667
Brittney Hill - 3.734
Michaela Welch - 3.778

4th Grade
Dakota Wilson - 3.066
Vance Starr - 3.567
Ruby John - 3.600
Carleigh Skenandore - 3.734
Byron Halona - 3.766

5th Grade
Muriel King - 3.533
Jairica Christjohn - 3.600
Kylene Welch - 3.734

6th Grade
Aleah Jimenez - 3.733

7th Grade
Guadalupe Martizez - 3.72

8th Grade
Jaylee Godfrey - 3.571
Robert Mills - 3.583
Maurense Beans - 3.604
Jade Doxtater - 3.642

Highest Honors 3.8-4.0

3rd Grade
Yohnewtote Danforth - 3.934
Jade Cornelius-Daubon-3.934

4th Grade
Shantel VanDyke - 3.800
Briana Doxtator - 3.800

5th Grade
Josanna Cornelius-Daubon - 4.000

6th Grade
Cayman Berg-Morales- 3.867

ONES 1st Quarter '06-'07 Attendance Recognition

Submitted By Yvette Peguero
Assistant Principal, Oneida Nation Elementary

Mya Ackley, Joshua Arce, Tiara Barber, Kyle Beechtree, Fox Christjohn, Cody Cornelius, Jenna Cornelius-Daubon, Joseff Cornelius, Makayla Doxtater, Taliah Frederick, Byran Halona, Brittney Hill, Cameron Hill, Dakota Jourdan, Jack Mehojah, Jordan Metoxen, Sequoia Metoxen, Keilani Nishimoto, Rilee Powless, Alaicia Redhail, Michael Robinson, Maliyah Running Bear, Janet Seering, Tessa Stanton, Raven Stevens, Travis Stevens, Shania Stewart, Iselena Torres-Mejia, Lanuhkwat VanDyke-Cornelius, Kateri Webster, Chelsea Jorgenson

Please see page 5B of this issue, for a list of ONES Students who earned a Lunchroom Pizza Party for Good Behavior!

Informational session to be presented at Education Center

(Manitowoc, Wis.) — Thinking about going back to college? Come to an information session and find out how you can get your degree in as little as two and a half years. A Silver Lake College representative will be available every second and fourth Thursday of each month at the Oneida Community Education Center in Green Bay for a series of information sessions aimed at answering questions about the college. The next installments of the series will take place on December 14 and December 28 from 5:30 – 6:30 PM. Topics will include not only the more than two dozen undergraduate majors leading to a bachelor's degree, but also the four graduate level programs, adult accelerated programs, teacher certification and licensure offerings, on and off campus delivery options, and financial aid availability.

"This is a chance for prospective students to have one-on-one interaction with a knowledgeable counselor to find out more about the College's programs and offerings," according to Dr. George Grinde Vice President and Academic Dean at SLC.

Register online for a session near you at www.sl.edu. If you are unable to attend and would like more information on the program offerings at Silver Lake College, contact the SLC Admissions Office at **2406 S. Alverno Rd., Manitowoc, WI 54220**. Call **920/686-6175 or 1/800-236-4SLC, ext. 175.** Email **admslc@silver.sl.edu**

Kahstowi Class offered



Kali file photo

A Kahstowi (traditional Oneida head dress) making class will be held at the Oneida Cutural Heritage department, 3707 Hillcrest Dr.

Classes will begin on Tuesday and Wednesday evening November 29 & 30th and December 6th & 7th from 6:00-7:30pm. It'll take all four classes to complete your Kahstowi. Must supply your own feathers (turkey, goose, hawk, eagle) (wing and or tail).

For more information contact Randy Cornelius at **496-5388** or e-mail him **rcornel4@oneidanation.org**

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Damien James Peters

Damien James Peters, was born on Sunday, September 3, 2006 at 7:45am to Tabitha Metoxen and Cody Peters at St. Marys Hospital. He weighed 4 lbs 14oz and measured 18 inches long.

The proud maternal grandparents are Kathy Metoxen and Alfonso Jimenez and the proud paternal grandparents are Kelly Skenandore and Wendell Peters. Damien has one sibling at home, Taliah.

Happy Birthday

Aiyana Kaha:wi "She Carries" Alatorre

Happy 1st Birthday on November 23rd





We Love You, little one...**Love, Mama**

Happy Birthday

Cruz Montoya

Turning 5 on November 24th

The cutest little grass dancer. We are very proud of you and we love you so much!





Love always...Mom, Dad and your bro J.J.

Congratulations

Rosa Francour

#4 Seed

Varsity Singles Tennis, Pulaski High School 2006

17-6 Season Record

Subsectionals 3rd Place

Voted Captain Varsity Squad '07 Season

Earned Coaches Award for Most Improved Player '06



All Your Hard Work is Paying Off!
Sooooo Proud of You!
Love, Mom

Lunchroom Good Behavior Pizza Party Winners

Submitted By Yvette Peguero

Assistant Principal, Oneida Nation Elementary

Quarter 1: 2006-2007

Grades 1-2

Camille Billie, Marissa Cornelius, Cierra Johnson, Kwnwahta Smith, Jada Sitting Bear, Jenna Cornelius Daubon, Jalia Bautista, Jaelynn Danforth

Grades 3-5

Alaicia Redhail, Shelia Stevens, Akacia Muscavitch, Karissa Cornelius, Kevonna Neal, Ruby John, Carleigh Skenandore, Rebecca Brownbull, Briana Doxtator, Autumn Pocan, Neecie Powless, Shantel VanDyke, Nelda Rivera

Grades 6-8

Magenta Batiste, Guadalupe Martinez, Colleen Cornelius, Chelsey Cornelius, Haley Hill, Kalene Beechtree, Shanna Jourdan, Marty Lee Penass

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NEXT DEADLINE

is...**Wednesday November 29th @ 4:30 p.m.** with a **PUBLISH DATE** of...**Thursday, December 7th, 2006**

Questions, please call: **920-869-4277, 4279** or **4280**

Congratulations

Shad

What a Trophy Whitetail! 10 points, 20" inside spread, dressed at 220lbs!!



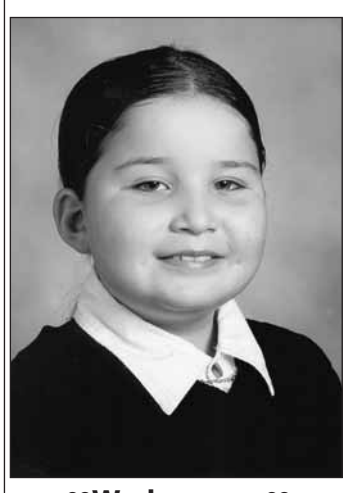
We are so proud of you!
Danielle & Troy (Duckfoot)

Check out the kalihwisaks on the Intranet!

Happy 11th Birthday

LaKota

on November 15th



❤We love you❤
Mom, Grandma, Papa, Salsa and the rest of the gang

Happy Birthday

If you see this big "cheesy smile"
Wish her a Happy B-Day
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Click on Departments (at the top). select **Language Revitalization** and then language lessons.

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DEADLINE	PUBLISH
November 29, 2006	**December 7, 2006**
December 13, 2006	December 21, 2006
December 27, 2006	**Friday, Jan. 4, 2007***
January 10, 2007	January 18, 2007
January 24, 2007	**February 1, 2007**
February 7, 2007	February 15, 2007
February 21, 2007	**March 1, 2007**
March 7, 2007	March 15, 2007
March 21, 2007	**March 29, 2007**
April 4, 2007	April 12, 2007
April 18, 2007	**April 26, 2007**
May 2, 2007	May 10, 2007
May 16, 2007	**May 24, 2007**
May 30, 2007	Wed., June 6, 2007*
June 13, 2007	**June 21, 2007**
June 27, 2007	July 5, 2007
July 11, 2007	**July 19, 2007**
July 26, 2007	August 3, 2007
August 8, 2007	**August 16, 2007**
August 22, 2007	August 30, 2007
September 5, 2007	**September 13, 2007**
September 19, 2007	September 27, 2007
October 3, 2007	**October 11, 2007**
October 17, 2007	October 25, 2007
October 31, 2007	**November 8, 2007**
November 14, 2007	Wed. Nov. 21, 2007*
November 28, 2007	**December 6, 2007**
December 12, 2007	December 20, 2007
December 26, 2007	**January 3, 2008**

The deadline dates above are the dates that material must be submitted to the Kalihwisaks Office. Deadline dates are Wednesdays (every other) unless otherwise noted, and Publish dates are Thursdays (every other), unless otherwise noted*. Material can be dropped off at the Kalihwisaks Office, Room 1400 (Basement Level) of the Norbert Hill Center, located at N7210 Seminary Road, or mailed to: Kalihwisaks, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155. Information may also be sent via e-mail or phoned in to: Dawn Walschinski, Ph. #869-4277; Yvonne Kaquatosh, Ph. #869-4280; or Steve Gandy, Ph. #869-4279. You may also call Debbie, 920-869-4340 or 1-800-236-2214. The Kalihwisaks fax # is: 920-869-4252. Material must be received no later than 4:30 P.M. on the scheduled deadline dates. This is only a tentative schedule. If changes in the schedule are necessary, the revised schedule will appear in the Kalihwisaks.

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Wolves - A Shy Creature in the Wild

Monday, December 4, 2006 at 10 a.m. and again Monday, December 18, 2006 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families can learn about wolves during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the short stories "The Eyes of Gray Wolf" by Jonathon London and "Look to the North" by Jean Craighead George. After the stories, the youngsters will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per Green Bay resident or Friends member and $3 per non-resident. Preregistration is required by calling **(920) 391-3671.**

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Hipptiy Hop: Christmas for the Birds

Tuesday, December 5, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

During the holiday season, it's important not to forget about the birds in your own backyard. At this program you will have the chance to make a simple bird feeder to take home to your birds or leave for the Sanctuary's birds. Cost is $4 per Green Bay resident or Friends memberand $6 per non-resident. Please call **(920) 391-3671** to pre-register.

For more information, call **(920) 391-3671.**

Visit the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary web-site at: **www.baybeachwildlife.com**

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Employment Opportunity

Photographer/Reporter Kalihwisaks

Position Summary:
This position will assist the Managing Editor with publishing of the Kalihwisaks. Duties include news-gathering, writing factual stories through interviews, photography, design and lay-out. This person must be able and willing to work evenings and weekends to cover community events. The person who fills this position will be expected to have the skills and abilities to perform most of the duties and responsibilities at a minimal level under the supervision of the Managing Editor and progress rapidly to independent performance of all duties and responsibilities.

Qualifications:
1. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of W isconsin.
2. Associate Degree in Journalism, Communications or closely related field from an accredited college or university is required. (Must submit a copy of degree to complete application if applicant currently posses the degree), or a High School Diploma, HSED Diploma or GED Certification with two (2) years of Journalism/Photography experience, is required.

Note: Applicants who do not possess an Associate Degree in one of the above or related fields will be required to formulate an educational plan to aggressively pursue and complete that plan within a specified period of time as approved by the Supervisor.

3. Must type forty (40) WPM. (Must pass a typing test which will be administer to all applicants by the Human Resource Department).
4. Willing and able to work evenings and weekends is required.
5. Excellent verbal and written communication skills are required. Must be able to interview, research, and assimilate information into interesting, well-written news stories.
6. Ability to meet and effectively interact with public is required.
7. Knowledge of Associated Press style is preferred.
8. Knowledge of the Oneida Community, its history and culture is preferred.
9. Knowledge of and ability to operate recording equipment and photography equipment such as 35mm camera and digital camera is preferred.

Applications must be submitted to:
Human Resource Department
2630 West Mason Street
Green Bay WI 54303
Closing Date:
December 14, 2006
For a complete description of this, and other available positions, go to:
www.oneidanation.org

Committee Vacancies

Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee (PAC):
Three (3) Vacancies
Qualifications:
Shall serve a two (2) year term

Shall be a parent of the Airport Road Child Care Center or be a member of the Social & Human Services Program (Indian Child Welfare, Child Protective Board, Oneida Community Health Center, Legal or Educational Institutions, etc.

Purpose: We provide the highest quality educational and support services to all children and families. We empower the children through the use of developmentally appropriate practices. Our practices reflect the unique culture heritage of the Oneida Community and build the foundation for the next Seven Generations.

Deadline date of 12/11/06.

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NEXT DEADLINE
is...**Wednesday November 29th, 2006 @ 4:30 P.M.** with a **PUBLISH DATE** of...**Thursday, December 7th, 2006**
Questions, please call: **920-869-4280, 4279** or **4277**
***Toll Free**: 1.800.236.2214 ext. 4277, 4279 or 4280*

Board Vacancy

Oneida Cemetery Board:
One(1) vacancy
Qualifications:
Their shall be six (6) members who shall make up the Oneida Tribe Cemetery Board
Shall serve a lifetime term
Shall meet whenever a burial is requested by the kin or other interested party for a deceased Oneida Indian or other person permitted.
Shall be responsible to maintain vital statistics of the deceased and to report such information as may be required by the Oneida Tribe.
The Board or it's delegates shall control the cemetery and beautify the same and may establish regulations respecting it.
Deadline date 12/11/06

Food Safety Class

The Environmental Health & Safety Division's last Food Handlers Certification class of 2006 will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 5-9pm, Ridgeview Plaza, Suite 4.

If you have already taken the Food Safety Certification class within the last year, Recertification classes will be November 15, Noon-1pm & 5-6pm or December 20, Noon-1 & 5-6pm. All classes are held at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite 4.

Please call Stephanie Mineau, Environmental Health Technician, 496-5340 to sign-up today! Any session that does not have at least 3 people registered and present within 15 minutes of class start time will be cancelled.

Classes will resume again beginning April -December 2007.

Holiday Classes

Tsyunhehkw^ Retail Presents Winter/ Holiday Workshop Calendar

Sign up for One or All of the Workshops to Create Your Own Unique Natural or Herbal Product(s), or Create a an Array of Gifts for the Upcoming Holidays.

Thursday, November 30, 2006 ***Corn Husk Doll Making With Judy*** Jourdan - Learn the basics of corn husk doll making supplies included.

Wednesday, December 6, 2006 ***Dream Pillow Class*** - Participant will be able to hand make 2 pillows made of relaxation/ holiday herbs. Bring your own special material or use our selection. Supplies included.

Thursday, December 14, 2006 Glass ornaments with herbal mix or herbal sachet with red & pink roses, lavender, patchouli, lemon peel, orange peel, lemon grass, lemon balm, peppermint, spearmint.. Supplies included

Tuesday, December 19, 2006 Bath Make your own Bath Salts/ Body Powders or Facial Scrubs using Oil & Herbs. Many varieties to choose from.. Supplies included.

Fees: All Workshops Cost $5.00 - Light Refreshment Served

All Workshops held at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite #4 from 5-7 p.m.

Phone ***920-497-5821*** to Reserve Your Spot Now! (Space Is Limited!!!!)

Business Opportunity

New Web site promotes Minority Business Enterprise Program

•Provides information and opportunities to qualified minority–owned businesses interested in selling their goods and services to WisDOT

•Suppliers and vendors can now go online to reference detailed information regarding the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) program. Visitors can easily find out

•what commodities WisDOT routinely purchases,
•who to contact,
•how to use the state's VendorNet system,
•how to become a Wisconsin-certified MBE, and more!

"We are very excited about the development of this site," says Division of Business Management Administrator Brenda Brown. "Our goal is to provide a one-stop shop, where minority-owned businesses can efficiently and easily access the information they need to get started in selling their goods and services to the department. We welcome all potential vendors who can fulfill our purchasing and technology requirements, on a competitive basis, to introduce their businesses to us."

WisDOT is committed to the development of significant and mutually beneficial relationships with minority-owned businesses that can add value to the department and help achieve the department's mission of "providing leadership in the development and operation of a safe and efficient transportation system."

Access the site at ="http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/business/mbe/index.htm"MACROBUTTONHtmlResAnchorwww.dot.wisconsin.gov/business/mbe/index.htm

See the language website
We encourage everyone to become involved in the Oneida Language. Please visit our website at:
http://language.oneidanation.org/about/history

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Positions re-instated after public outcry

90 day stay, study done by OHA Board

By Dawn Walschinski
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The Oneida Housing Authority (OHA) will continue to fund two positions as part of a drug elimination program, however, certain aspects of the positions may change.

OHA Board Chairman Mark Stanchick addressed those attending a community meeting held at the Oneida Business Committee Conference Room December 4.

"We're probably going to have to retitle them, and restructure the duties to make them more following the drug elimination educational program guidelines," said Stanchick.

The two Community Coordinator positions, occupied by Richard "Breezy" Brzezinski and Isabel Parker, were initially dissolved by the OHA executive director due to concerns of duplication of services and a lack of direct anti-drug and alcohol programming as required by a

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Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Devin Hill, at left, plays a unique style of pool with twin brother Desmond at the Site II Community Center. "It's good to see the kids' smiling faces," said Isabel Parker who resumed her duties December 5th.

Monument shows Oneida "Pride"



Photo courtesy of Corrie and Sandi Campbell

This photo of the 1894 Carlisle Indian School Football Team will be etched into the Pride Era Monument which will be unveiled Sunday, December 17 at 10:00am at the Resch Center.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

On December 17, the Oneida Nation will unveil the Pride Era Monument in front of the Resch Entertainment Center in the Village of Ashwaubenon.

It is this monument that will honor Oneida's integral part in the beginnings of football in Green Bay.

Mother and daughter team Sandi and Corrie Campbell designed the eight foot black granite pillar as part of the Walk of Fame, which will consist of 24 monuments spread around the Lambeau Field neighborhood.

"People will say ... 'Is (your favorite monument) Brett Favre, Bart Star?' Not really, for us, this is the big one," said Corrie who is in charge of the artistic element of the structures.

The Pride Monument, one of 11 Era Monuments, will tell the story of Green Bay's town team and semi-pro era from 1895 to1918.

During that time, Fred Hulbert of the West Side Athletic Association began recruiting immigrants working on the west side along

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Students set higher gift giving goal

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The Christmas spirit is high at West De Pere High School among members of the school's Culture Club. The group of students have again agreed to adopt families for the holidays. The 'adoption' will provide needy families with food and other donations.

This year the Culture Club and its student President Autumn Webster have decided to adopt a record number of families this year.

"In past years we had three or four families, and this year we have seven," Webster said.

Webster finds the increased number of families a worthy goal for her and her Culture Club members.

"There's more families, like, in need these days and a

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More gifts to give

Court refuses to consider case on NY Oneida Indian Nation

WASHINGTON (AP) _ The Supreme Court on Monday refused to consider the case of the Oneida Indian Nation, whose gaming compact with New York was invalidated by state courts.

A group of New York residents, the Upstate Citizens for Equality, has challenged the compact and said Monday's decision "calls into immediate question" operation of the tribe's Turning Stone Resort and Casino, which attracts over 4 million visitors a year.

State courts concluded New York's governor exceeded his authority under state law in 1993 by entering into the gaming compact with the tribe without legislative approval.

The Oneidas say the state court rulings conflict with the tribe's federally protected sovereign immunity. The New York courts ruled that even though the Oneidas cannot be made a party in the lawsuit the citizens' group brought against the state, the courts could go ahead and litigate the tribe's interests because the tribe can waive its sovereign immunity and enter the case if it chooses.

The tribe asked the Supreme Court to consider the state courts' rulings in the context of federally protected sovereign immunity for Indian tribes and the federal interest in tribal economic development.

"Indian gaming is the business of the federal government, and it is not for a state court to interfere with it," the Oneidas said Monday in a statement maintaining the legality of their compact under federal law.

The Oneidas have applied to the U.S. Interior Department to put all 18,000 acres the tribe owns in two counties in central New York state into federal trust, a status that could bring full or partial sovereignty and exempt the tribe from taxes. Taxes are the most contentious issue between the tribe and area residents and governmental

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Grinch thwarted by area generosity



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Oneida Chairman Gerald Danforth, at right, presents Shana White, at left, and Becky Elders, center, with a $1000 check for the American Indian Center of the Fox Valley on Wednesday, December 6.

By Dawn Walschiski
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The American Indian Center of the Fox Valley (AIC) was hit by the Grinch over the Thanksgiving holiday when someone stole nearly $500 in gifts from the center located at 128 N. Oneida Street in downtown Appleton.

According to Program Director Becky Elder, a water leak in the building caused damage to the locked room where the gifts were being stored in plastic bags. Workers moved the gifts to the hallway so they could dry out the offices.

"It was during that time someone came in and took our Christmas gifts, and so we were without anything," said Elders.

The gifts were to be distributed to children during the center's holiday party on Thursday, December 14.

However, after reports of the incident appeared in the local media, Native and non-Native community members stepped up to replace what

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Local

Stopping meth use in Indian country

(Washington, DC) - Partnering with the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), the Partnership for a Drug-Free America (PFDA), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) is leading a new public awareness campaign aimed at targeting methamphetamine abuse among Native Americans. Combined, the coalition partners have contributed $300,000 in support of this groundbreaking effort for Indian Country, announced at a news conference at the National Press Club.

"By creating an awareness of this lethal drug and educating people about its devastating effects - especially in Indian Country - we can prevent people from trying it even once," said Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne.

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was stolen, and then some.

The AIC received a $250 donation from the Menominee Tribal police along with a $1000 from the Oneida Nation.

Native Americans from as far away as Manitowoc and North Dakota made donations to the center.

Several people also donated items such as blankets, games and toys to replace the stolen gifts.

"Two little Forest County Potawatomi girls ... took their allowance, and went to the Dollar Store, and they brought in a couple of bags of gifts that we can give out at the party." said Elders.

In total, the AIC received nearly $4000 in cash and gift donations which allows them to expand the scope of their gift giving to include families, and provides funds for clients' programs such as bus passes and gas vouchers.

"I just think it's overwhelming, the compassion and generosity that the people have shared, it just really shows the true spirit of the people, it's incredible," said Elders. "The Grinch didn't win."

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lot more people need our help so we're just taking on that challenge to see if we can actually do it this year," Webster explained.

The adoption effort is a community wide drive to get people to give this holiday season.

"What we do is get donations from people around the school or community or whatever and we ask them if they can donate food or anything to help these families," Webster said.

Webster is a senior and has three years of prior experience with adopting families. She has been helping with the annual event since she was a freshman. However, this year will be her first when it comes to delivering the food to the families.

The donations will be delivered the third week of December. The Culture Club will be accepting donations through the 15th of December.

Webster simply explains her motivation as, "Making people happy."

The Culture Club is made up of students whose aim is to be more culturally diverse and is supervised by Margo Reiter, the Oneida Y.E.S. Youth Advocate for West De Pere High School.

If you wish to donate to their cause you can contact Reiter **920-338-5200 Ext. 4216** or at **920-869-4331**.

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units.

The National Indian Gaming Commission said last year it had no plans to shut down the gambling operation, but it also noted that the issue remains unresolved and urged the state of New York to act quickly to resolve the it.

A spokeswoman for Gov. George Pataki said the state has repeatedly urged the federal government to address the issue. "Today we renew that call," Suzanne Morris said Monday.

A similar suit against the Akwesasne Mohawk Casino reached the state Court of Appeals, which ruled the 1993 Mohawk agreement was illegal because the state Legislature had not ratified it. Lawmakers ratified the agreement while the casino kept operating.

An attorney for the citizens group challenging the compact urged state officials to act quickly, saying the high court's refusal to hear the Oneidas' case "calls into immediate question the continued validity of the operation of the Turning Stone Casino."

"Let's see if they've got the guts to enforce the law," Albany attorney Cornelius Murray said.

The Oneidas called attempts to shut down the casino, which employs more than 3,500 people, "reprehensible."

"That's not a victory and they shouldn't be celebrating," the tribe's statement said. "If we follow the UCE's lead there would be no economic development in upstate New York."

Turning Stone includes three championship golf courses, three luxury hotels, a European spa, a convention center, a cabaret-style showroom and an events arena.

The case is Oneida v. Peterman, 06-470.

Festival brightens rail museum



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

The YWCA has teamed up with the National Railroad Museum in Green Bay to bring out the Festival of Trees. Dozens of trees have been decorated by various sponsors from NE Wisconsin. The Oneida sponsored tree (pictured) was decorated by Debbie Melchert in a Three Clans theme. The trees will remain on display until December 8 and costs $5.00 per person.

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Local

In Loving Memory

In Loving Memory of...

Erwin M. Hill

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Happy Birthday Dad



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In Loving Memory of…

Travis G. Cornelius

who would have been 25 years old today, December 9, 1981



here will always be heartache and often a silent tear...
Always special memories, of the days that you were here.
Remembering you is easy - we do it every day,
But, missing you is a heartache that will never go away.

If tears could build a stairway and memories a lane...
I'd walk right up to heaven and bring you home again.

Travis, you are greatly missed by your family.
I can't get over losing you, no matter what I try to do.
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In Loving Memory of our Husband and Father

Leslie Danforth



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In Loving Memory of…

Leland Powless

who passed away 20 years ago November 19, 1986



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You bid no one a last farewell,
Nor even said good-bye…
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knows why.

God gave us the strength to bear it,
And courage to face the blow…
But what it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know!

Sadly missed by his wife Lea and daughters Judy and Deborah and all the grandchildren

CORRECTION

There was a typographical error in the Leland Powless Memorial that was published in the November 22nd issue of the Kalihwisaks. Above is the corrected copy. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused the family.

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with football players from local high schools, colleges, town teams and Oneida athletes returning to the area from Carlisle Indian School in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

"They would come back here from Carlisle and bring all of the skills, prolific skills, that they learned under coach Pop Warner back to these teams in Green Bay," said Corrie.

At least five Oneida players were on the original team; Wilson Charles, Tom Skenandore, Martin Wheelock and Jonas Metoxen. Tom Skenandore was the first paid player of the semi-pro era, earning $25 for his athletic skill.

The Pride Monument will have a different shape than the other structures."The base form of the Era Monument is a trapezoid," Corrie explained. "The trapezoid was a formation that was utilized throughout the duration of this period and beyond."

The granite will have photos from the era etched into its surface. Finding images that have survived the centuries was a struggle for the Campbells. "It's like being a history detective," said Corrie.

The pair worked with Oakley Arnold at the Oneida Museum for photos and with Judy Jourdan of Oneida Culture Heritage for genealogical information of the players' descendants. They then turned to Barb Skenandore to find photos of Wilson Charles and John Webster.

"She truly is the picture lady," said Sandi.

"They told me they were looking for pictures of Oneida athletes ... and that they were looking for a picture of John Webster, so I went over to my desk" said Skenandore. "I said 'is this what you're looking for?' I held it up and she said 'Oh, my God, we came to the right place.'"

Skenandore didn't have a photo of Wilson Charles, but knew the family and was able to get two images of Wilson as well as two of Buster Charles from their descendants.

Once the photos were scanned into her computer, Corrie began the long process of fixing the damage caused by the years.

"You lighten these images way up, up comes all of the stuff, there might be a scratch in it from 1901, you can see it," she said.

Corrie and Sandi believe all their hard work will be worth it when they see the reactions of the family members at the unveiling the morning before the Packer-Jets game.

"That's what I can't wait to see ... when they come to visit and see this and be proud of it, for us, that's the key." said Sandi.

Skenandore is looking forward to the educational aspect of the monument. "There's so many people out there that don't know, they're not informed on the Oneidas and how athletic they were," she said. "I think (the monument is) a great thing, because our ancestors need to be honored."

One of the last original Navajo Code Talkers dies at age 84

PHOENIX (AP) – Joe Palmer, one of the last of the original Navajo Code Talkers from World War II, has died. He was 84.

Palmer died Nov. 18 at the VA Medical Center in Tucson, according to his family.

As a Marine in World War II, Palmer and 28 other Code Talkers used their native language to transmit military messages on enemy tactics, Japanese troop movements and other battlefield information by telephone and radio.

According to the Naval Historical Center in Washington, D.C., the Navajo Code Talkers took part in every assault the Marines conducted in the Pacific from 1942 to 1945 and were praised for their skill, speed and accuracy. Their work was impossible for the enemy to decode.

Surviving members received the Congressional Gold Medal in 2000 for their service.



At that time, only five remained: Palmer; Lloyd Oliver of Phoenix; John Brown Jr. of Navajo, N.M.; Chester Nez of Albuquerque; and Allen Dale June of West Valley City, Utah.

The last four are still alive.

Health reasons kept Palmer from making the trek to Washington, D.C., in 2000, his son, Kermit, accepted the honor for his father.

"He had a real strong passion about his country and .. his service to his country," Kermit Palmer said. "At the same time, he was very humble and did not want recognition for doing his duty."

After the war, Palmer and the others told to keep the Navajo code a secret.

Even after the information was declassified in 1968, they were reluctant to discuss it or take credit for their deeds.

Kermit Palmer, administrator for the Cocopah Tribe in Somerton, said his father didn't mention the code until the early 1970s when the family was watching a parade on television.

"The announcer made mention that the Code Talkers were marching, and he made a comment and said, 'I'm the original code talker,'" Kermit Palmer recalled.

Besides his son, Palmer is survived by his wife, Flora; a granddaughter; and eight brothers and sisters.

Palmer was laid to rest at Desert Lawn Memorial Park in Yuma.

Runyan, Jo Ann Lois

November 4, 1923 – December 2, 2006

Jo Ann L. Runyan, 83, Green Bay, at rest Saturday, December 2, 2006. Jo Ann was born on November 4, 1923, daughter of the late Louis and Inga (King) La Traille.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. RYAN FUNERAL HOME is assisting the family.

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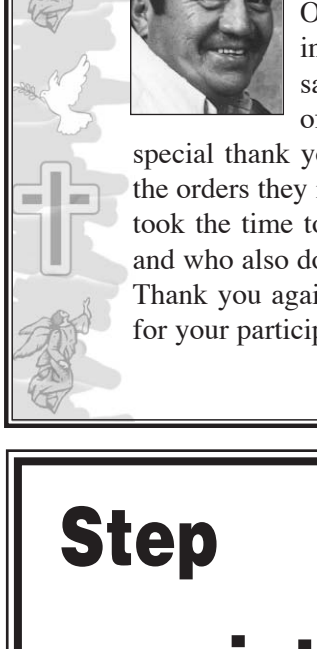
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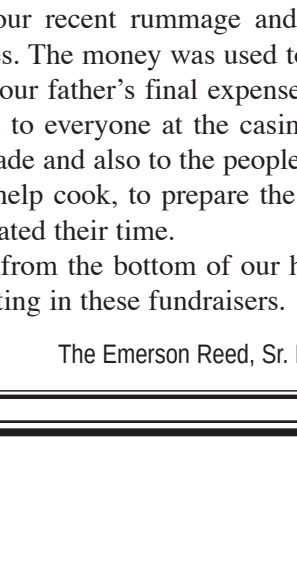
The Emerson Reed, Sr. Family

CLARIFICATION

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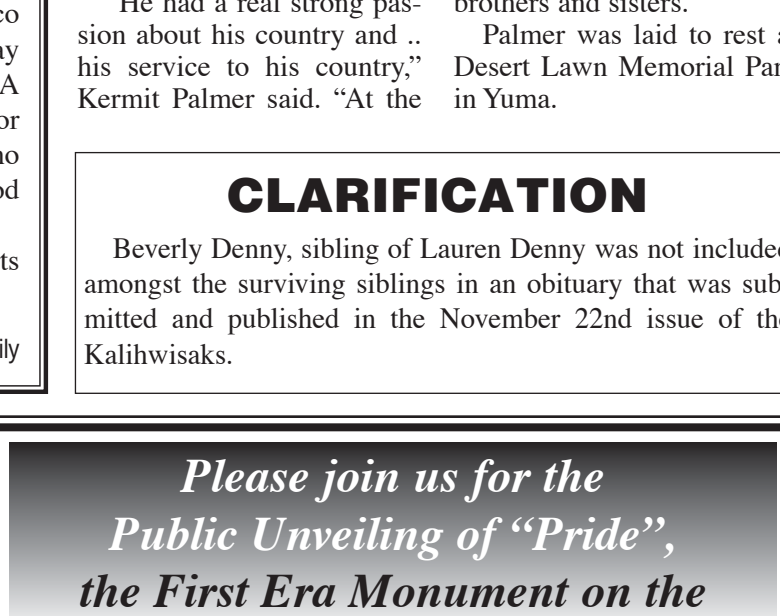
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BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

Artist is accomplished in a variety of mediums

By Steven J. Gandy
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Judy Jourdan is truly a jack-of-all-trades when it comes to artwork, but unlike the cliche', she has managed to master many of the art forms.

In addition to working full-time as an Administrative Assistant/Genealogist for Cultural Heritage, Jourdan also spends about 30 hours a week working on any number of art projects.

Corn husk dolls, quilting, painting, photography and even stone work are some of the art mediums that Jourdan has pursued as an artist, but she may be most recognized for her doll making.

"That's kind of been a main stay, I sometimes go off on other tangents but I always come back to the doll making," Jourdan said.

Don't think that doll making is her favorite thing to do, though.

"I have no favorites, what ever I pick up and start to do is my favorite at the time," Jourdan quips.

Jourdan's work has been displayed in exhibits all over North America. Her work has been in the Smithsonian, Royal Ontario Museum in Canada and she currently has an exhibit at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

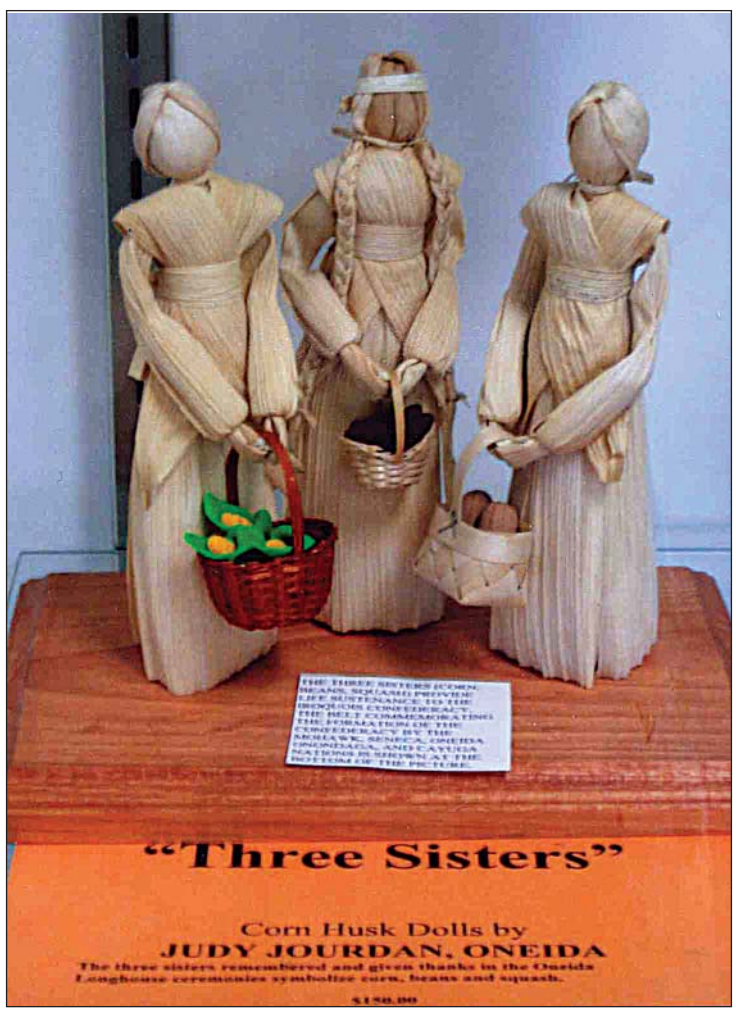
The Gallery Director in Colorado is Pam Aloisa, and she is the reason Jourdan's work is on display out there.

"A friend of ours, Jim Overman ... had called out there looking for someone else and she happened to be looking for a Native American Artist to do an exhibit at the gallery and asked him if he knew anyone and he referred me. So I'm very grateful, I need every little bit of help I can get," Jourdan said. "(The exhibit is) 20 pieces, in 4 different categories. I have some drawings and paintings, some dolls, some of the raised bead work and some ceramics. They paid for all the shipping. Pam curated the exhibit and she's gotten some very nice comments on my work."



Photos courtesy of Judy Jourdan

Jourdan has made dolls of all sizes, the small dolls shown above are about 6-8 inches tall and are wearing clothing made by Jourdan. The largest poseable she has made is approximately 6 feet tall. Below are corn husk dolls.



Jourdan's exhibit has been up since mid October and is slated to be up until December 16.

According to Jourdan, it's not easy to clarify when she actually began doing art work, "I've done artwork all of my life, so it's kinda hard to pinpoint a starting point. Ever since I was little I picked up a pencil and it was a tool."

She does know that she still has the desire to learn new crafts and to teach what she knows to others.

"I'm always doing more research on different things and looking up things on the internet and trying to push myself a little bit more," Jourdan said. "I teach classes through the arts program, through the Tsyunhehkwa center, (and) sometimes through the Community Education Center. Also, I've done classes at the Mitchell Museum and the Neville."

Jourdan works out of her home and sells most of her pieces on a custom order basis. She does have some pieces available for sale at Bear Paw Keepsakes, but she generally prefers to sell her work herself.

"I have al lot of requests to put work in the museum gift shop, and some of the other local places, but I just don't have time to keep one step ahead of the sales. I make a better income on the commission sales than I do on putting things in retail venues," Jourdan explains.

Although there is no doubt that Jourdan is an accomplished artist, there was a time when she felt uncomfortable calling herself that.

"I did all this stuff for years and years and years, but I was very self conscious about calling myself an artist. I felt like I didn't really pay my dues, I suppose. There's some kind of weird philosophy that if you don't suffer for your work your not...ya know," Jourdan said with a laugh.

Jourdan aspires to someday be able to do her art full-time.

"I would love to see it become my only source of income. To be able to just stay home and do that, I wouldn't have a problem with that at all, but being discovered takes such a long time," Jourdan concluded.

Metoxen pleads no contest to reduced charge

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Oneida Police Commissioner Gary Metoxen pled no contest to an ordinance violation at an initial court appearance in Outagamie court on November 28, 2006.

According to the criminal complaint filed with the Outagamie County Sheriff's Department, two officers from the Oneida Police Department responded to a disturbance at the Metoxen residence on September 19.

As the officers were leaving, Metoxen's wife ran out of the house and stated that the defendant had "lunged" at her, tried to take her keys and in the process scratched her.

Metoxen paid $154.50 in forfeiture and court costs.



LIVE recording set for Flying Feather Band at Menominee

Submitted By Richie Plass

I just wanted to let everyone know that I've set everything up for us to make a, "LIVE Recording". When we perform next month at our casino (Menominee Casino in Keshena, WI) on December 20-23. We'll be doing a "LIVE" recording on Friday evening, December 22nd. We're really excited about it, especially since we'll have Wade (Fernandez) playing with us.

But the added treat is that we will be backing up one of our tribal elders, Ted "Boogie" Conger. Boogie is 73 years old and plays like he's a teenager.

With him on piano and keyboards – and Wade being Wade – I think we'll have a great taste of what it feels like being at one of our shows.

We're planning on recording the whole evening (about 4 hours) so we should have some good, "stuff" to pick from. If all goes well we hope to have the CD out by January or February 2007.

So, if you live close by, come on out and help us. If you're not able to be there in person, not to worry. We're really hoping that by mid-winter we'll have some, "LIVE" music everyone can have some fun with.

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grant funding one of the positions. However, the OHA Board of Commissioners initiated a 90 day stay and an independent study after public outcry over the move.

The community meeting was a result of a petition started by Taina Bain for a General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting concerning the positions. Attendance fell short of the 75 people required for an official GTC meeting.

"The program has helped my children with outfit making, and drumming, and doing different things in the community, which kept them occupied and off the streets," said Bain who is the mother of four children.

Stanchick responded that the positions were written with an anti-drug and alcohol mission, but the programs "are doing more of a wrap-around after school program."

However, community members in attendance countered that activities such as outfit making, drum classes, field trips and movie nights fostered an anti-drug and alcohol atmosphere.

"The activities that the two coordinators of those programs did role modeled positive behavior, positive social interaction, and alternatives to drugs and alcohol," said Sherrole Benton.

Others argued that while programs such as Oneida Recreation and the Oneida Nation School System offered after school activities, availability is limited.

"They only have so many spots allotted for these programs," said Bain.

Stanchick stated the program may expand its hours to be available everyday, rather than the current schedule of Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 8:00pm.

Calendar

Various

Raised Beadwork Classes
WHEN: Various
PLACE: Bear Paw Keepsakes, 2667 W. Mason St., Green Bay
$50 per class, include all of the supplies. Enrollment limited to 10. register at the store. January 12-13 - Moccasins; February 16-17 - Small Purse; March 16-17 - Checkbook cover or Photo Album. FMI call **920-499-7875.**

December 8

AJNH Craft and Bake Sale
WHEN: December 8
TIME: 11am - 3:30 pm
PLACE: Oneida Health Center main conference room.
Great assortment of crafts and baked goods. If you have any questions or would like to sell call Judi @869-48009.

December 9

Breakfast With Santa
WHEN: December 9, 2006
TIME: 8 - 11 am
PLACE: Civic Center
Enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, sausage and juice. Then visit santa, get a picture and a gift. for families with children age 0 to 8 years old.

July 6-8

Bake Sale, Basket Sale & Star Quilt Fundraiser
WHEN: December 14th & 15th
TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Parish Hall - Oneida
Proceeds benefit the Native American Church

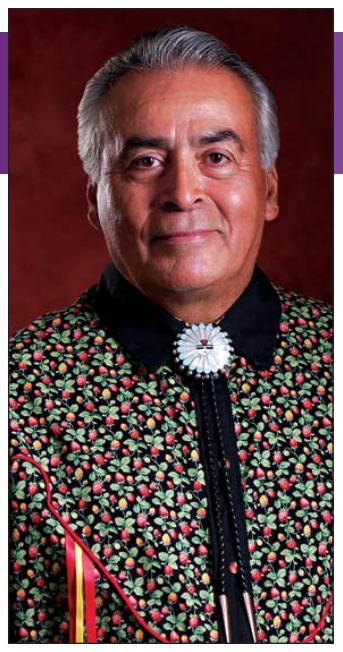
Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there! FMI, please contact: Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Legislative Review

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

For this article I'd like to address the Tribe's recent property purchase in the Northern part of the Oneida Reservation adjacent to Hwy 29. Tom Juza, former owner of the property and a well-known developer in the area approached the tribe offering to sell the land in question. Negotiations between Juza and Division of Land Management personnel resulted in the initial purchase of 17.4 acres of a larger parcel totaling 43.08 acres, which is owned by Juza and is called "Golden Pond Park" (please see the corresponding map). Included in the purchase agreement is a conservation easement on the remainder of the property, and the option to purchase the remainder of the property should it become available for sale in the future.

Hobart officials allege in their press release dated November 27, 2006, that the configuration of the property purchased by the tribe contained "spite-stripes" and that this purchase was "deceitful, counter productive and obnoxious." In my view, that simply is not true. Oneida purchased the land that the owner made available for sale and we secured the adjoining part of the land in its present state under a conservancy easement.

Why is this property important to Oneida? The property is located in, and contains a significant portion of Thornberry Creek Watershed. The Oneida Water Resources Team has a large volume of data on this stream and has devoted an enormous amount of time and energy to protecting it. Thornberry Creek has the highest water quality and is the most pristine stream on the Oneida Reservation. This stream is a Class I Trout Stream and has the only naturally reproducing population of Brook Trout in all of Brown County. For example, when surveying for trout stream classification, sixty-three brook trout were collected from up stream of Forest Drive alone. It is certain that residential development on this property, as was previously intended, would have disastrous affects to these environmental characteristics for many generations to come.

Compared to the residential development that was being considered for this location, Oneida has a different opinion about how this part of the reservation should be used (described above). I don't believe however, that our intentions are "deceitful, counterproductive, or obnoxious."

Hobart cites pending lawsuits with Oneida regarding similar actions. "O'Hare Blvd." is a lawsuit initiated by Hobart in 2003 with the intention of condemning tribal property. A year ago this month, after a series of three Oneida-Hobart government to government meetings, both Oneida and Hobart elected officials reached an agreement to settle this case. In general, we agreed that Oneida would finish the road, own the road, maintain the road and approve necessary easements on that road. All that remained was for the attorneys to work out the technical details, which we all agreed could be completed by January 2006. The last draft of the agreement was sent from Oneida Law Office to Hobart's attorney in January 2006.

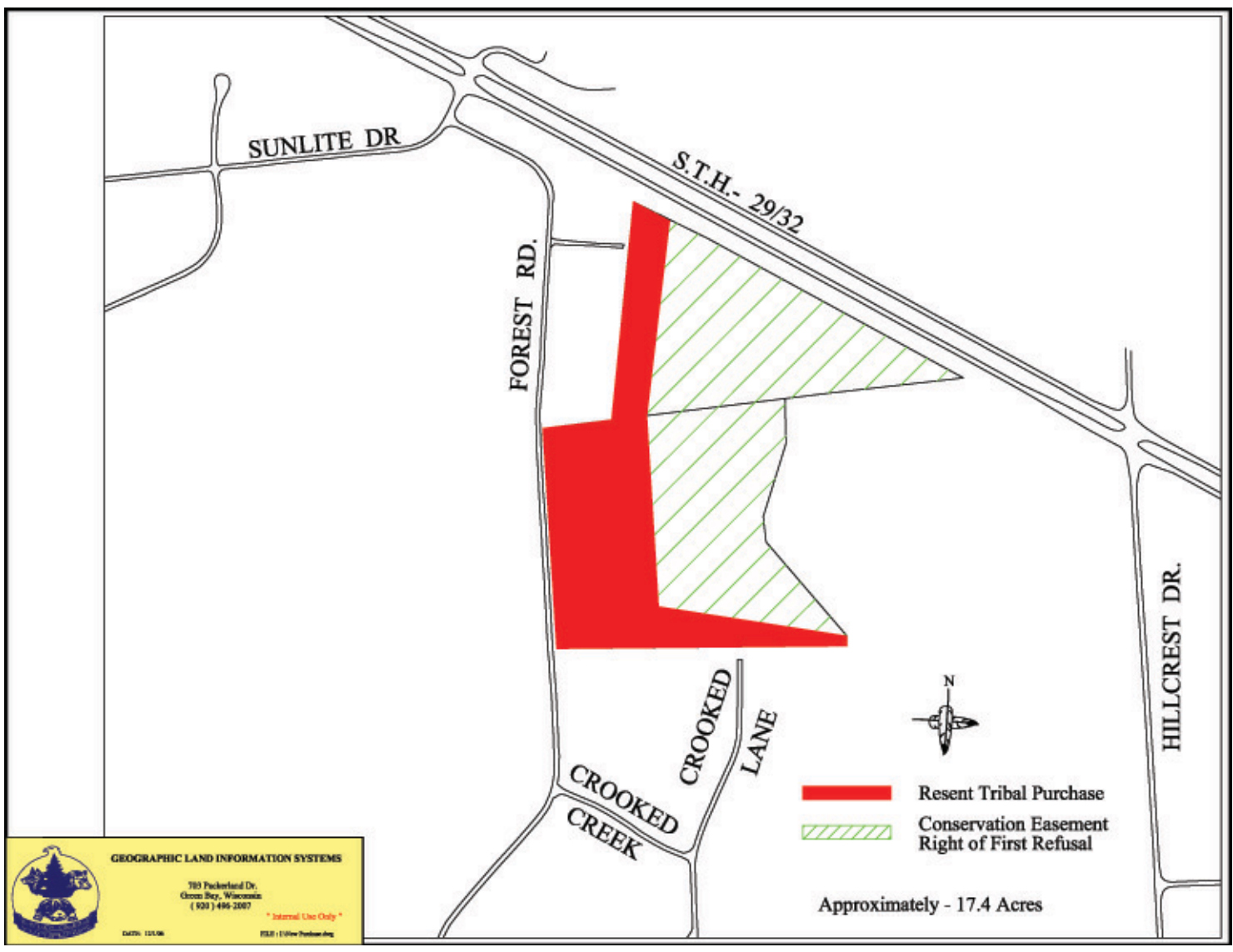
Hobart also references the abandoned railroad bed property. This lawsuit initiated by Hobart, again contains the issue of Hobart's intention to condemn tribal land. The reasoning - because Oneida blocked several requests for easements across this property. The fact is, in the past year there have been two easement applications by Hobart residents, one request was denied and one request was approved. Each application is processed on its merits.

Hobart suggests that Oneida intentions of this land purchase is to block their access to other property in northern Hobart. The process for easement applications is administered by the Division of Land Management. This process was explained to Hobart in great detail. At this point, Hobart has not submitted an application for any easement.

Oneida has made public for many years, our intention to reacquire our reservation land as it becomes available. We have entered into agreements with the affected local governments to mitigate the financial burden associated with these reacquired lands when they are placed in trust status. We have also worked through many mutually agreed upon zoning and jurisdictional issues.

I can think of many examples where we have taken ownership of our reservation land and made significant improvements to it. I can't think of even one example to the contrary.

Sincerely,
Gerald L. Danforth, Chairman
Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin



Treasurer's Report



Treasurer
Mercie Danforth

Greetings,

FY 2006 Budget

The FY2006 The FY2006 Budget Meeting for General Tribal Council consideration was held on Saturday, July 23, 2005. However, due to a lack of quorum, the Business Committee approved the FY2006 Budget at the August 10, 2005 Special Meeting.

The FY2006 Fiscal Year came to an end on September 30th, 2006. The organization has closed out all expenses for the year and is working to complete the audit. The audit is expected to be completed by mid January. The preliminary September 30, 2006 Treasurer's Report was presented on December 6th to the Oneida Business Committee.

FY2007 Budget

The FY2007 Budget was presented at the Saturday September 16th General Tribal Council Meeting. A quorum was established and the budget was approved by General Tribal Council. The first month of the fiscal year has closed and the organization is off to a good start with a positive variance of $5.7 million compared to budget.

Annual Report

The Oneida Tribe's Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 1, 2007 at 6:00pm in the Business Committee Conference Room located at the Norbert Hill Center. I encourage everyone to attend even though it is a holiday. Also, please take some time to review the financial information provided in this year's annual report. We have changed the format to include the Finance and Accounting area's within the Treasurer's Report to General Tribal Council. Another new feature of this year's report is an update on venture fund projects and investments. If you have feedback or comments on this year's financial information, please feel free to contact my office at (920) 869-4360 as we are always looking to improve the delivery of this information to the membership.

Elections

I would like to congratulate the recently elected government officials in the recent election. Mr. Jim Doyle was re-elected as the State's Governor, Dr. Steve Kagen was elected as Congressman of the 8th congressional district, and Tom Nelson was re-elected to the House of Representative. Congratulations to all of the elected state and local officials and thank you to all of those who assisted with the Get Out the Vote events that led up to the election and a big THANK YOU to those who have went out and voted.

Land Purchases

General Tribal Council approved a resolution that set forth a goal to buy back a certain percentage of our reservation by a specific year, this is known as our 20/20 plan. This plan has been in place since 1998. The Tribe has made known for a long time our intention to repurchase the land within our reservation and our Land Commission has been the designated entity to accomplish this plan.

The Village of Hobart has stated recently that they are not happy with one of our recent purchases and in a press release they identified that this purchase was "deceitful and counterproductive". Unfortunately, the Village chooses to act in the manner they are condemning by specifically not giving a complete picture to the public in their press release.

The Business Committee has been trying to work with the Village of Hobart Board to create an avenue for us to come together to discuss these types of issues. Unfortunately these issues have not been brought up to address. We can not solve problems if the Village does not want to work with us to do so.

In a recent example, we had a meeting scheduled with the Village and with no explanation as to why, the Village of Hobart cancelled that meeting. This would have been an opportune time to discuss the land purchase issue and work something out. Instead we are informed of their frustration via a news reporter.

I feel that the Village of Hobart made some negative assumptions and overreacted in regards to this purchase. The Village President has our phone numbers and has been informed a number of times that he can contact us if he sees there are problems. Working these issues out in a government-to-government manner, at a professional level, through face-to-face discussion is in all our best interests. But he chose to react through the media and by threats of litigation and by stating that instead of working cooperatively, the Village will act in a spiteful manner.

At some point in time the Village of Hobart has to come to a realization that we, the Oneida Tribe, are not going anywhere. Certainly we realize that the Village of Hobart, which is located within the reservation boundaries, is not going anywhere. We both need to work together to discuss and resolve these issues. Utilizing the taxpayer's money in litigation is not making that right decision and in the end simply results in higher taxes and an inability to address needed citizen issues. Especially when all it takes is a matter of sitting down and discussing the issues.

I am a member of the Oneida Nation, I am an elected official of the Oneida Nation Government, a tax-paying resident of Hobart, I live within the State of Wisconsin and I am considered a citizen of the United States of America. I have many areas of responsibility and I know that nothing can be resolved by throwing tantrums, calling the media or going to court. Both our governments will be here forever with no resolution if we continue down this path. Let's sit down and discuss this and any other issue with a solution-oriented approach.

Happy Holidays!

The Holiday Season is upon us once again. I would like to extend a safe and Happy Holiday wishes to you and your families.

Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

Yaw^ko
Mercie L. Danforth

Attention!

Oneida Graphic Artists

Oneida Artists sought to create Oneida Balanced Score card logo

The National Balanced Scorecard Communications Team is sponsoring a logo contest for enrolled Oneida Tribal Members.

Prize money...

$400 for first and $200 for second place.

The theme for the logo...

"A nation of strong families built on tsi? Niyukwaliho t^ (our ways) and a strong economy"

Logo must be...

Full color with ability to duplicate in black & white.

Deadline...

Friday, December 29th

(Winning entries will be selected by January 8, 2007)

For more information and/or to submit your entry, please contact Phil Wisneski at pwisnesk@oneidanation.org or Pete King III at pking4@oneidanation.org

Oneida Business Committee
Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting
October 25, 2006
Business Committee Conference Room
Present: Gerald Danforth–Chair, Kathy Hughes–Vice Chair, Mercie Danforth–Treasurer, Patty Hoeft–Secretary, Vince DelaRosa–Council member, Melinda J. Danforth–Council member, and Edward Delgado–Council member.
Excused: Trish King and Paul Ninham–Council members.
Others Present: Barb Skenandore, Charlene E. Cornelius, Justine Souto, Tracy Metoxen, Carol Prendeville, Valder John, Russell Metoxen, Cliff Webster, Brenda John, Greg Powless, Janice Hirth, Peril Huff, Jim Van Stippen, Brandon Cooper, Karen Katch, Marsha Danforth, Lance Broberg, John Bestne, Donna Richmond, Julie Denny, Wanda Diemel, Frieda Clary, Charlene Smith, Gina Buenrostro, Tina Danforth, Cynthia Thomas, Dottie Krull, Loretta V. Metoxen, Lyle Metoxen.
Opening Prayer: Curtis Summers.
Special Recognitions: Oneida Transit Certificate of Achievement presented to Kenneth Lund for 100,000 miles accident & citation free and to Henry Baird for 75,000 miles accident & citation free, presented by Patricia Hoeft & Clifford Webster.

CAPP's "Every 15 Minutes"Video, presented by Melinda J. Danforth & Justine Souto

1. Call to Order by Kathy Hughes

2. Oath of Office–Administered by Patricia Hoeft
Miss Oneida Committee:
Heidi King – Not Present
Oneida Library Board
Charlene Cornelius – Present
Oneida Pow Wow Committee
Donna Richmond – Present
Marsha Danforth – Present
Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee
Valder John – Present

3. Approval of the Agenda
a. Additions
b. Deletions
c. Moves
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the agenda, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes to be Approved
Regular Minutes of October 25, 2006.
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the October 25, 2006 Minutes as corrected, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Tabled Business–None

6. Reports
a. Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation (Qrtrly:Feb/May/Aug/Nov) Lance Broberg –1st Meeting of the month. Submitted.
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation quarterly report, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.
b. Oneida Seven Generations Corporation (Quarterly: Jan/Apr/July/Oct) Brenda Mendolla-Buckley – 2nd Meeting of the Month. Submitted.
Excerpt from October 25, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Oneida Seven Generations Corporation quarterly report, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Travel Reports
1. Mercie Danforth RE: Native American Finance Conference October 16 – 17, 2006
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Native American Finance Conference travel report, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Kathy Hughes RE: Fee to Trust Consortium Meeting, October 24, 2006
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Fee to Trust Consortium travel report and direct the Law Office to review the draft MOU and recommend any changes to the Oneida Business Committee, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Trish King RE: Great Lakes Tribal Economic Development Symposium – October 25, 2006
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Great Lakes Tribal Economic Development Symposium travel report, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings
1. Law Office RE: Legality of Petitioner Withdrawing Petition
Excerpt from October 11, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to ask for a legal opinion on the legality of petitioner withdrawing petition, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
Excerpt from October 25, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously. Response Submitted.
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Legality of Petitioner Withdrawing Petition report from Chief Counsel, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Chief Counsel RE: Legal Review on Tribal Environmental Agreement
Excerpt from October 25, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item to the next agenda, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously. Response Submitted.
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Tribal Environmental Agreement between the Oneida Tribe and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Region 5, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Chief Counsel RE: Research of Contract Assignment Transfer from one Entity to Another and the Authority under which it could be done (O.N.E./Seven Generations)
Excerpt from October 25, 2006: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to direct the law office to research the contract assignment transfer from one entity to another and the authority under which it could be done, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Chief of Staff to bring back specific recommendation regarding dissolution of Oneida Nation Electronics (O.N.E.) Charter, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept Chief Counsel's report on research of contract assignment transfer from one entity to another and the authority under which it could be done, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
Mercie Danforth left at 10:00 a.m. for scheduled meeting.

4. General Manager RE: Print Shop Recommendations
Excerpt from September 27, 2006: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve a 30 day extension, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Print Shop recommendation to the next Oneida Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business:
a. Resolutions–None
b. Requests
1. Patty Hoeft RE: Oneida Marriage Licensing Process
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Law Office to assess and evaluate the state of the Tribe's marriage licensing processes, procedures and rules and propose recommendations within 90 days to the Oneida Business Committee, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
c. Travel Requests
1. Kathy Hughes RE: American Indian Alaska Native Research Advisory Board Meeting - November 28, 2006–December 1, 2006, Albuquerque, NM
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the travel request for American Indian Alaska Native Research Advisory Board Meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Jennifer Stevens RE: On^yote?a_ka Gathering Travel, November 10-11, 2006 – Procedural Exception for 47 traveling Coach Canada Bus
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the procedural travel exception for the On^yote?a_ka Gathering, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Finance Committee
August 11, 2006 Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2006 Meeting Minutes
Excerpt from October 25, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to delete the August 11th and September 8th, 2006 Finance Committee Minutes, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)–None
12. Treasurer's Report – None
13. Oneida Business Committee Planning–None
14. Executive Staff Meeting – None
15. Legislative Affairs Update
1. Head Start Budget Appropriation Update
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to accept the Head Start Budget Appropriation Update as FYI, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.
2. SB 1439 Update
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the SB 1439 Update as FYI, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Gerald Danforth arrived.

16. Executive Session
a. Tabled Business – None
b. Old Business
1. Vince DelaRosa RE: Gaming General Manager Contract
Excerpt from October 11, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer this item for 30 days, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer the Gaming General Manager Contract for two weeks for technical corrections, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.
2. General Manager RE: WHEDA Alternative Housing Final Recommendations
Excerpt from October 25, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept the WHEDA Alternative Housing update as FYI with final recommendations from the General Manager at the November 8, 2006 Oneida Business Committee meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the General Manager's request to enter into a Letter of Intent with RGH, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
c. New Business
1. Neil Cornelius RE: Joint Marketing Agreement with Harrah's - Request for Waiver
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the joint marketing agreement with Harrah's, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
d. Legislative Affairs Update
e. Attorney Brief
1. Land into Trust Applications
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to request the Secretary's office to establish a meeting with Land Commission, General Manager and Oneida Business Committee to discuss acquisition policy issues, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Retro-Active Approval for Conflict of Interest Agreement - Hobart Litigation
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to retro approve the Conflict of Interest Agreement with Dorsey & Whitney, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Data Collection Systems
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to direct the Law Office to work with Gaming Management and Gaming Commission to formulate recommendations to resolve the issues regarding DCS, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
f. Audit Committee
1. September 28, 2006 Minutes
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Audit Committee Minutes of September 28, 2006, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.
g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1st meeting of the month)
h. Seven Generation Corporation Update (1st and 2nd meeting of the month)
Recess/Adjourn
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to adjourn, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on November 22, 2006.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Next Regular Business Committee Meeting…
Wednesday • December 20, 2006 • 9:00 A.M.
Business Committee Conference Room
Norbert Hill Center • 2nd Floor

Letters...

Let there be Peace

To each and everyone in the world...let there be peace.

To all the children near and far.

To all the peoples and all races.

For we alone will cause great things to happen.

Those events of continued love and caring...together with our shared hopes and dreams of the future.

Let there be PEACE!

Sue A Stueber
Oneida Gaming Division employee

Support Sincerely Appreciated

I would like to send my thanks to my family that live in Keshena, Milwaukee and Green Bay for all the cards, letters and all the stuff I had asked for; TV, shoes, clothes, money, guitar, radio and everything else I asked for. I would like to send my appreciation for everything you all have done. I wouldn't know what to do if I didn't have a family like you looking out for me. Thanks for all the help you have given me. I was lost for a while because I didn't know anyone cared as much as you do. Thank you for all the support you have given me, including my girlfriend of Shawano.

May the Great Spirit guide you.

Thank You!
Name withheld at the request of the author

Clarification

The word 'million' was inadvertently excluded by the author, Ana Barton, in a letter to the editor published on 11/22/06.

Good Samaritans Recognized…



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Business Committee honored Oneida employees and community members for their work in helping out the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Indians when they lost their medical clinic to a fire July 10, 2006.
Those honored were: Connie Danforth, Al Danforth, Brian Denny, Lynn Franzmeier, Cathy Bachhuber, Pearl Webster, Norma Flauger, Jason Doxtator, Camille Silva, Lloyd Powless, April Skenandore, Carol Liggins, Jason Denny, Robert McKindles and Brandon Stevens (represented by Cheryl Stevens.)

State/National

Oneida Nation delegation report on Terra Madre conference

Respectfully submitted by
Chairman Gerald Danforth
Councilman Paul Ninham
Jeff Metoxen
Jill Martus-Ninham

We respectfully submit this travel report to the Oneida Nation community regarding the Terra Madre - Slow Food Conference held in Turin, Italy October, 26 through October 30, 2006.



Photos courtesy of Councilman Paul Ninham

Carlo Petrini, founder of the Slow Food movement, addressing 7,000 conference attendees during opening ceremonies.

> *"Food Sovereignty is the right of peoples, communities and countries to define their own agricultural, labor, fishing, food and land policies which are ecologically, socially, economically and culturally appropriate to their unique circumstances. It includes the true right to food and to produce food, which means that all people have the right to safe, nutritious and culturally appropriate food and to food-producing resources and the ability to sustain themselves and society."*
>
> ~ Food Sovereignty; A Right for All
> Political Statement of the NGO/CSO Forum for Food Sovereignty,
> 13 June 2002, Rome

To begin, the Slow Food Movement was founded by a gentleman named Carlo Petrini in resistance to the opening of a McDonald's fast food restaurant in Rome's historic Piazza Spagna district in 1986. Since then, Slow Food has grown into a world wide movement that defends "gastronomy" (gastronomy is engaging all human senses: touch, smell, feel, taste and listening in the preparation and consumption of good food). Slow Food, an organization dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of traditional and artisanal foods and the advocacy of sustainability, now exists in over 104 countries with more than 80,000 members (sustainability is integrating available natural resources into a system that respects and promotes the ecological balance within the natural life cycles). Through it's members and it's local chapters, or convivia, Slow Food promotes taste education, conserves agricultural biodiversity and organizes events (biodiversity is respect and nurturing of all life forces to perpetuate balance in all aspects of food production, harvesting, preparing and consuming). Its publishing house issues guides, recipe books, magazines and essays on food culture.

Through this report and subsequent articles, we will be introducing terms and concepts that we have become familiar with over the past several years as we move forward as a sustainable "food community". A food community is a physically identifiable entity that holds values, interests, and common purposes and which is engaged in seed saving, harvesting, breeding, animal husbandry, farming, fishing, food processing, food distribution, marketing, education and other eco-gastronomic activities, in order to bring small-scale, quality food products to consumers.

Terra Madre, mother earth in Italian, first took place October 20-23, 2004, in the Palazzo del Lavoro in Turin. 5000, delegates representing 1,200 food communities from 130 countries convened at the event, including farmers, breeders, fishermen, processors, distributors, cooks and agricultural experts. Jeff Metoxen and Jill Martus-Ninham attended this first ever gathering of world food communities and returned with invaluable information from a world-wide perspective. They not only participated at Terra Madre, but also presented in a workshop the importance of sustainability as it pertains to Oneida's heirloom white corn.

The second edition of Terra Madre was organized in partnership with the Ministry of Forestry and Agricultural Policy, the Italian Cooperation for Development of the Ministry of Foreign affairs, the Piedmont Regional Authority and the City of Turin. This event coincided with Slow Food's Salone del Gusto, the foremost international quality food event. Over 7,000 people from 150 countries, 1500 food communities, 1000 cooks and 200 universities from all over the world attended the Slow Food Conference. These delegates represented the three elements that make up the world of food: the traditional and practical knowledge of producers, the experience and creativity of cooks and the insight of science and research.

Chairman Danforth and Councilman Ninham were invited by Winona LaDuke to participate in this years Terra Madre as part of the forty-six individuals that comprised the North American Indigenous delegation. Winona LaDuke is an Anishinaabeg woman and the founding director of the White Earth Land Recovery Project (WELRP). She is also an environmental activist and renown author of numerous books regarding Indigenous Peoples. Ms. LaDuke invited the Chairman and Councilman to primarily assist the Indigenous delegation with input for strategies to recover traditional, indigenous and unique food traditions from a policy stand point. Also to work with other Indigenous producers who have been collaborating on issues of food production, seed saving, community food system growth and globalization to coalesce our communities with comparable allies internationally (globalization is the process by which social institutions become adopted on a global scale). The invitation for Oneida Nation participation from WELRP was a result of grant funding. Just as the inaugural edition of Terra Madre in 2004, this year was funded by the Christensen Fund for the entire North American Indigenous delegation to cover transportation, meals during the conference, lodging, conference registration and materials.

The forty-six member Indigenous delegation had the opportunity to caucus during the event. This opportunity allowed the delegation to bring forward issues that each community faces. The delegation separated into three groups to develop strategies to support our diverse geographic backgrounds and address common challenges. The sub-group topics are:

1) Seed Sovereignty Alliance: Seed Sovereignty Declaration, Resolutions
2) Bio-Piracy: Protection of Native Resources
3) Slow Food/Heifer Project/RAFT : Project Development

Participating in the world meeting was an honor that brings responsibility.

It is expected that Chairman Danforth and Councilman Ninham will raise the level of awareness of sustainable food communities within Indian Country. In addition, they will bring forward tribal and public policy that supports the protection of indigenous foods and resources at the level of the National Congress of American Indians and other international organizations.

The responsibility of the delegation will go beyond the caucus meetings. A commitment was made to continue the work simultaneously in our respective communities while maintaining a strong level of communication. This will support the various degrees of capacity building achieved and needed in each community. As diverse as our nations are, the same goes for our geographical representation. The delegation was made up of various organizations from across Turtle Island; Gitigaaning Garden Project at Bad River Wisconsin, White Earth Land Recovery Project on the White Earth Reservation in Minnesota, Native Seeds/Search in Tucson, Arizona, Taos County Economic Development Center in New Mexico, Traditional Native American Farmers Association based in Tesuque Pueblo, New Mexico and Arizona and Heifer Project International to name a few.

The Oneida community will realize the efforts of the caucus. The Oneida delegation will deliver the message home and relate the issues, goals, concepts and challenges specific to the Oneida community. The most immediate result will culminate in the "Oneida Food Sovereignty Initiative". This initiative is built around choices. Choices that are specific to holistic health. "Food Sovereignty is the right of peoples, communities and countries to define their own agricultural, labor, fishing, food and land policies which are ecologically, socially, economically and culturally appropriate to their unique circumstances. It includes the true right to food and to produce food, which means that all people have the right to safe, nutritious and culturally appropriate food and to food-producing resources and the ability to sustain themselves and society".

Food Sovereignty; A Right for All. *Political Statement of the NGO/CSO Forum for Food Sovereignty, 13 June 2002, Rome*

The "Oneida Food Sovereignty Initiative" will include processes that promise to empower community members and restore food sovereignty for the Oneida Nation. The overarching issue of the Initiative will address, as previously mentioned, health. Our community is battered by diabetes, chronic heart disease and obesity that is directly effected by the foods we consume. It is for this reason that we wish to re-establish a sustainable food community based upon our traditional foods.

Next Steps…

By utilizing our community resources, we plan to host a "Local Food Summit". A local food summit will become the vehicle in which the community will be made aware of the components of a healthy food community. We will present and discuss the basics of; food sovereignty, food security, food community, genetically engineered and genetically modified organisms and how they pertain to large corporations such as Monsanto, seed sovereignty, pesticides and fertilizers versus organic. We hope to conduct the Local Food Summit in the spring of 2007 and will promote healthy community foods through healthy community gardens.

Another initiative for the Oneida delegation is to report and present to the Great Lakes Intertribal Council, a consortium of all the tribes in Wisconsin. We will present the concept of food sovereignty and promote a "traditional foods day" in Oneida where all eleven tribes can gather, prepare and honor healthy foods that are indigenous to their respective reservation.

The Oneida delegation also plans to work with OCIFS, the Oneida Community Integrated Food System, and hopes to play an integral part in furthering their mission to provide healthy, local foods to the Oneida Community. We will also engage Oneida Living in Balance (OLB) a grass roots organization comprised of community members, and led by Sylvia Cornelius-Waupoose, that raised the awareness of food sovereignty over the past year and have been instrumental in providing healthy, locally produced foods into our school system.

We look forward to our next article in which we will report the progress of the "Oneida Food Sovereignty Initiative" and provide information on the importance of "Seed Sovereignty". We will inform the community of an initiative from Tesuque Pueblo of New Mexico and the resolution put forward by Governor Gil Vigil to the National Congress of American Indians on behalf of the Eight Northern Indian Pueblo Council as it pertains to seed sovereignty.



Photos courtesy of Councilman Paul Ninham

Members of the North American Indigenous Delegation preparing for opening ceremonies. Left to right: Shirley Trujillo, Natasha Smoke Santiago, Patti Martenson, Elana Tafoya, Loretta Barrett Oden, Roy Kady, Jill Martus-Ninham, Andrea Hanks, Miguel Sandtistevan and Paula Garcia.

South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services News

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8–4:30PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, **384-7740**

Focus… Monthly Calendar

Special Events… in December

Contact List for Seots
Seots Board would like the community to sign up on a contact mailing list. This would help the office to inform you of any changes and or short notices for meetings and classes etc. Please call Seots at 414-384-7740

It's Your Choice Program for Teens
Program for enhancing reading skills, home-work help, developing leadership skills, making healthy choices and also extra-curricular activities. Incentives will be provided for attendance along with evening meals and bus tickets to attend.
Please call the We Indians program for sign-up 304-6111
Date: Tuesdays, Time: 4 - 6:30pm, Place: Seots

Craft Class
Date: Wednesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
Craft: Shawl Making, Cost: $10 plus the materials,
Time: 6 - 8pm, Place: Seots

Cultural Heritage with Randy Cornelius
Date: Thursday, January 11th Topic: Mid-Winter Ceremony
Time: 6 - 8pm, Place: Seots

Hoyan to be held at the New Years Pow-wow
Look for a Seots table in celebration of Hoyan! - Coffee and donuts will be served. Check for time and place of New Years Pow-wow in the Milwaukee Native Voices Newspaper

Native Film Day
Film to be shown - "Emerald Forest" True story about a man that searches for his son in the Amazon, and finds him to be a man living in a different world starring actor Powers Booth.
Date: Friday, January 19th , Time: 1:00pm, Place: Seots

Diabetes Support Group
Date: January, Thursday 18th , Time: 10:30-12:00 - Lunch will be served, Place: Seots - RSVP - 384-7740 by December 20th

For Your Information…

Housing Information
If you have any questions regarding housing in Oneida, please give the Housing Authority a call. Call **1-800-236-2214** and ask for the Housing Authority and ask to speak with Lisa Vega or Julie Cornelius.

FYI - Sweat Lodge
Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call 383-7072 and ask for Dona.

Attention all Community Members----
One of our young community members is in need of a "kidney transplant". Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. Its possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at (414)385-2550. Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who knows you may be a match?
Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Information around the city
211 Impact - Simply call 211 for help with life/food/shelter/health/crisis intervention, etc.
Pow Wow AA Group - All Welcome - Thursday's - 8:00pm, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th
Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 383-9526
Domestic Violence - Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132/Ext.153
Urban Circle of Voices - Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper: 643-5510 - Vicky Rank
Interfaith Program for the Elderly - Meals on Monday and Friday -11:30am , 631 N. 19th St. - First Friday of the month at 5pm.
Special Notice -- Be sure to check your Kalihwisaks
Beginners Language in January at 9am

Regular Events…

Oneida Singers
Date: Mondays, January 8, 15, 22 & 29th, Time: 6:30pm
Place: Seots - Contact person John House **(414) 443-0301**

Oneida Language Class
Date: Saturdays, January 6, 13, 20 & 27, Time: 9:00 Beginners - 10:00 Advanced

Veterans Walk-in with Rodney Pearsall - Benefits Specialist
Date: Tuesday, January 2nd, Time: 10:00 - 1:00pm, Veteran's contact person for Color Guard - Leon House **(414) 543-1622**

Circle of Healing Group Information
Please Call Rodney Pearsall for registration, information, and time of meeting, Rodney Pearsall - Milwaukee Vets Center - **414-536-1301**. Meeting will be held at SEOTS.

Computer Lab
Open Daily for use (unless reserved for class)

Mairn Meeting
Date: Wednesday, January 31st, Time: 12:00 - 2:00pm
Place: Ignace Indian Health Ctr. 1711 S. 11th St. - The Gathering Place

Seots Board Meeting
Date: Tuesday, January 9th & 23rd, Time: 6:00pm

Van Trip
Date: Wednesday, January 17th, Time: Departs Seots at 8am and returns by 6:00pm

Med Pick-up
Dates: Wednesday, January 3, 10, 17, 24th & 31st
MEDICATION MUST BE CALLED IN THE FRIDAY BEFORE THE WEDNESDAY PICK-UP

SEOTS hosts Harvest Feast and bingo



Photo courtesy of Jim Kelly

Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Harvest Feast was held at the Marian Center for Non-Profits on 3195 S Superior Street. The Gym and kitchen was for us to use for the afternoon with about 70 people attending with plenty of food to go around. Students from UWM were also there to enjoy this time with us. It was potluck along with the turkeys and some-fixin's that were donated by SEOTS. After dinner we enjoyed a few games of bingo before leaving to go home.
It was a very enjoyable afternoon to have dinner with many community members and the hope of seeing them for future events. I would like to extend our gratitude for the World Famous Bingo Caller, "Huston Wheelock" for the fine job he did for us.

American Indian Task Force on Domestic Violence



Photo courtesy of Deb Ushakow

Members of the American Indian Task Force on Domestic Violence. include: (First row, left to right): Roberta Doxtator, Pat Ribbich, Tudy Tucker, and Charlene Smith. Second Row, left to right): Bagajakwe Madosh and Jessie Torres.

"Helping the community navigate the system, help with resources and educate youth, families and elder about domestic violence is a goal of the American Indian Task Force on Domestic Violence," states Oneida Tribal Member Charlene Smith.

Oneida Tribal Member, Charlene Smith (RN) along with seven other Native American community members serve on a subcommittee for the Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. The Milwaukee Commission saw a need to diversify and for the first time in history it now has 32 diversified agencies with subcommittees that serve on the Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. Diversified representatives serving on the subcommittee are professionals and community members throughout the city. The American Indian Task Force works with the specialized agencies, including the Milwaukee Police Department's Sensitive Crime Unit.

The American Indian Task Force on Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Vulnerable Population (AITF) started out as a focus group in the 1990's. In the year 2000 three cities were targeted to launch a Safe Night Program for youth and families. This was a pilot program that was to host an informational night about personal safety, such as street smarts, dating and relationships. One of the Safe Night's held invited guest speaker Police Chief David Clark from the Milwaukee Sheriff's Department to give some encouraging words to the youth. Before and after the speaker there was music, food, fun, prizes and a movie about safe dating. Safe Night is a success that is still carrying on into 2006.

One other program held is an Annual Dinner and Dialogue. A major focus is to present and educate the community about our Native cultural teachings and practices that were used in the past and in the present. Professional service providers come to the dinner as guests to hear a Native guest speaker such as past Chief of the Cherokee Nation Wilma Mankiller and National speaker Peggy Bird, present issues regarding Domestic Violence. Understanding cultural needs and practices will lend respect to the Native population for professionals that handle domestic violent cases. Discussion, questions and answers from the audience help all to understand needs that others may have. This has eventually directed some of the attendees to help find the answer to their needs.

The Native population needs to feel safe about whom to go to for information when dealing with this sensitive subject. The Task Force is there to help them find the person they need to call, where to get help, find a safe place and sometime find the right person to accompany them to file a restraint. There is not a discrimination of age, sexual orientation, women, men, children, persons with disabilities and elders. Because of this the name, the Task Force now includes this vulnerable population in the title. Therefore, the name now is American Indian Task Force on Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Vulnerable Population. A name that includes all.

The Task Force conducts meetings at area agencies including Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services. They start out with a prayer, updates, and discussion on new business. The subcommittee reaches out to the community helping when needed. The members are Oneida, Ojibwa, Menominee and Ottawa. Each member is responsive when called upon to connect those in need to various agencies to promote and facilitate a better outcome. They have presented at events, seminars, the Wisconsin Professional Social Workers Association and even at the County Court house.

The American Indian Task Force is applying for nonprofit status, with the hopes of one day having a shelter for abused family members. "There are grants out there for special needs and we want to fill that need" says Charlene. The current Commissioner Bagwajikwe Madosh of the American Indian Task Force has a passion to help the Native population, specifically the youth states "Reaching our children are important, so it will be safer for them."

Attention:
The SEOTS office will no longer be open on Saturdays except for Oneida Language Classes. Beginners- 9 am, Advanced - 10 am

SEOTS Mission…

Our mission is to provide for the well-being of **On·yote?a·ka** *in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.*

The **S**outh**e**astern **O**neida **T**ribal **S**ervices (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS *News* once a month for a listing of events. The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

Youth age 9 to 12 years old
are invited to attend the
Oneida Recreation

T'ween Christmas Event

at the **Tundra Lodge**
Thursday, December 21, 2006
5:00 to 8:45 p.m.

Due to a Packer home Game, buses will leave the Civic Center **PROMPTLY at 5:00** to arrive in time for pizza and swimming. Proper swimming attire is required!!

We will be leaving the Tundra Lodge at 8:30. Everyone rides the bus to the Tundra Lodge, and everyone rides the bus back!! Children are to be picked up at the Civic Center at 9:00 p.m.

Events at the Site II Community Center

Teen Dance

December 15
7:00pm to 11:00pm



Community Dinner

December 20
starting at 5:00pm

Upcoming Events

Throughout the Holiday Season!

Grand Christmas 2006
Thru December 23 –
Frank's Dinner Theatre will take you on a wonderful Christmas journey at the SC Grand in De Pere.

Christmas Back at the Corner
November 24-December 23 –
This holiday show is a throwback to the first Christmas performance ever at the Sports Corner in De Pere. Darren Johnson and company present a family-friendly Christmas show for all ages.

WPS Garden of Lights
November 24 – December 29 (weekends) –
More than 200,000 lights transform the Green Bay Botanical Garden into a dazzling holiday fantasyland.

Christmas Fantasy Parade
November 25 –
Ring in the holiday season in Two Rivers with the holiday parade at 5:30 p.m.

For more information on holiday events, or other events and attractions in Packer Country, visit www.packercountry.com.

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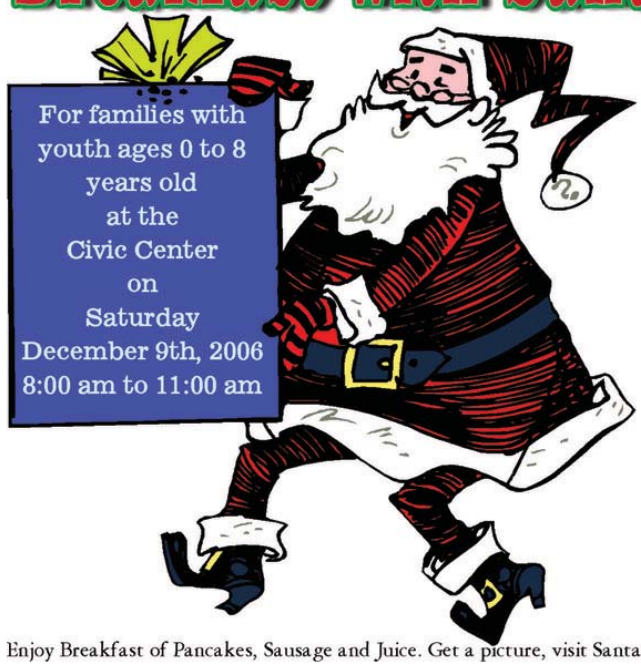
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Breakfast with Santa



For families with youth ages 0 to 8 years old at the Civic Center on Saturday December 9th, 2006 8:00 am to 11:00 am

Enjoy Breakfast of Pancakes, Sausage and Juice. Get a picture, visit Santa and receive a gift! Please call Kim at 833-0010 with any questions.

Don't forget to bring your extra change to vote on your favorite tree in our winter wonderland. All proceeds go to the Oneida Pantry.

Thunderhawk Times

Students pass bills in mock Senate

By Debbie Santiago, ONHS junior

On Thursday, November 30, in the Business Committee conference room, the ONHS civics class had a "Mock Senate."

Students duplicated the process of the U.S. senate by passing bills and introducing bills.

The students all wrote a couple bills that they wanted to pass "just for fun" though the process was a formal one.

Once the bills were introduced, the class was split into different committees like social issues, school issues, and food issues. From there the groups "killed" or passed on for debated the bills they liked and disliked.

Then, we took the activity to the BC conference room, the same place that our tribal government does it discussion and decision-making.

There, the bills were brought in front of the whole class where we decided as a whole to pass, kill, or bring that bill back to the committees for further discussion.

Posing as actual senators from various states, the students actually had to stand up in front the room and present their bills and defend them while other "Senators" commented on why they liked it, why they thought a bill should be passed, or why they didn't like the bill and wanted it killed.

It was a fun experience because we actually got the feel of how bills are passed and become laws or are killed.

The activity was designed by civics teacher, Lance Kelley. Special Education Aid Richard Lambert served as Speaker "Pro Tempore."



THT Photo

"Senator" Luanne Funmaker speaks from the floor in support of a bill by "Senator" Frank Clary to give qualified students open campus privileges. The proceedings were part of a mock senate activity organized by ONHS civics teacher Lance Kelley with assistance from fellow social studies teacher Carol Johnson and special education aide Richard Lambert.

"Happy feet" really moves

By Shaina Powless
ONHS sophomore

What a good movie for kids and, even, adults.

I'm talking about "Happy Feet", of course.

I took my 6-year old nephew to see it and he just loved it. I also liked it.

The movie was full of funny jokes and good music.

"Happy Feet" is about penguins singing to find a mate for themselves. But for "Mumble Happy Feet" this was not soooo easy. Mumble was dropped when he was still in his egg shell. This caused him to not have good singing skills like the rest of the penguins. Instead, he had the talent to move his feet fast to the beat of music. His feet moved almost as if he was tap dancing.

His fellow penguins would sort of despise him for his fast, active feet.

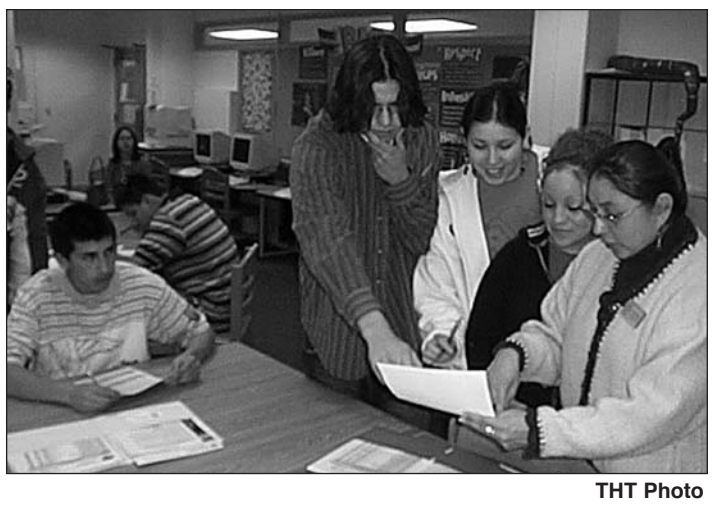
But when Mumble met a different species of penguins, Mexican penguins, he found new friends. When he heard music and his feet started moving, his buddies thought that he was really cool. Mumble and his friends go on an adventure to find out why their fish supply for food is so low. So, they go to find humans. Mumble ends up getting most of the way on his own, but is put into a zoo.

When he moves his feet, he sees that the humans really like it. So, the humans let him go back, but, Mumble has a tracking device on his back. When he meets up with his friends and family, the humans find him and all the penguins who once despised him for his feet are now dancing along with him. The humans see this and work on giving them more fish to eat.

In a classic case of "boy gets girl," Mumble then gets together with his childhood sweetheart and they are all happy.

Like I said before, this is a very good movie to see. Take your younger siblings or nieces and nephews. You'll all have a good time.

Looking at college options



THT Photo

College of the Menominee Nation Representative Cathy Delgado discusses future college plans with ONHS juniors and seniors on Thursday, November 30. (l to r) Nick Cantu, Earl Elm, Kylene Hill and Cortney Reed.

We're playing basketball

By Nick Cantu
ONHS Junior

The boys basketball season is off to a rough start because there are only about eight players who are eligible to play due to grades and other athletic code issues.

Overall the team should be pretty good this year having only lost a couple of seniors, Scott Lynk, and Anthony Gutierrez.

Both the boys and girls travel to Kohler, Wisconsin this weekend for the annual Kohler Tourney.

On December 12, the boys travel to Keshena for our traditional rival game.

The Thunderhawks have a talented starting five: juniors Truman Powless and Nick Cantu and seniors Darrell Skenandore, Freddie Hernandez and Joe Christjohn.

Those players should be able to hold their own until senior Gavin Hill returns after the first four games. At that point, it will be Truman, Nick, Darrell, Joe and Frank Clary or Dylan Wheelock fighting for the open starting spot.

It will be close, but right now it looks like Frank might get the 5th spot.

The boys should be able to keep their record over .500 this year. Obviously that means winning more games than they lose, but it's a decent goal for the squad.

The boys should dominate most games on defense this year because they work hard at practice on defensive techniques. The one thing the boys can't do on defense is reach in. It's been a hard habit to break since it seems to be something they all like to do.

Example of Bills presented to ONHS "Mock Senate"

Senate Bill "Energy Drinks" by Eldon Powless
ONHS sophomore

1.Energy drinks in class should be aloud because it helps 2.People stay awake during class. If teachers would rather 3.Have people sleeping in there class that's their choice. 4.Teachers that allow Energy Drinks in their class have 5.Students awake and paying attention to them and what
6.Their lesson is about. Energy Drinks do not cause 7.Distractions. People mainly drink them in the morning so 8.They are not all drowsy in the first class. Then they are 9.Awake for the rest of their classes. That's why Energy 10.Drinks should be allowed in class.

Senate Bill School Should Start at 10am by Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representative of the 2 United States of America in Congress assembled, school should 3 start at 10:00am. The school says that we have such an
4 attendance problem, but it's because kids don't like to get up 5 at 5 6 in the morning just to go to school. If school started 6 later in the day then I think that more students would show 7 up and actually be on time. For some kids it's too hard to 8 concentrate that early in the morning when they can't even 9 think. So school starting at 10am would solve at least 10 problems.

Senate Bill Community Service by Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representative of the 2 United States of America in Congress assembled, if a kid gets a 3 ticket they should be able do community service for the ticket 4 instead of having to pay the fine. If a kid doesn't have a job 5 then how are they suppose to pay it. Then they give the kid a 6 certain amount of days to pay it but that still isn't enough. 7 I just think it's dumb to give a kid a fine that they know they 8 can't pay, and the parents won't pay so they know it's not 9 going to get payed. So if they just give the kids community 10 service then they are giving back to the community and also 11 working off their fine.

Kurt Angle has to go!!

By Russell Powless and Andrew Sitting Bear
ONHS seniors

Over his athletic career, Kurt Angle has been a lot of things.

He's got gold medals; he's a mat wrestler.

He started out in Pittsburgh as a football star.

His Olympic medals came in Atlanta in the 220-pound freestyle win in 1996.

He's appeared on "US Today," on numerous talk shows, and honored in parades.

He tried out for the Pittsburgh Steelers because they needed a fullback!

He was involved in the Olympics, college sports and a European championship.

And he won King of the Ring.

But now it's time for his bald head to go!!!

He's giving people the grundie!

He's a sellout.

He went WCE!

Ever since he won his title, he's got too over-confident and thought he was unbeatable.

He's also punked himself out, whether he thinks so or not, when he had the "Angle Challenge" and the only wrestlers he beat were raw amateurs. Then he'd dance around like he'd just beaten Batista!

Dear Santa…

A Small Sampling of what ONHS journalists want under their tree.

- A Trillion Dollar Gift Card, A Nice House In The Caribbean and a Jackson Pollack painting ($140 million).

 – John Christjohn
- The world's most expensive fishing trip ($843,478 per week) and a "life" for Denis ($714,500. I'll also buy him some good looks for $1,000,000.23 if I have money left over.)

 – Eldon Powless
- A top of the line piano ($1.2 million because pianos are cool) and Cinderella Slippers (one of a kind for $2,000,000).

 – Bret Metoxen
- A Lamborghini Murcielargo ($273,000) and private island off of New Zealand ($35 million).

 – Twyla Danforth

My Scoop

Social Issues Native Americans Face Today

Martin Stevens Jr.
ONHS sophomore

Today Native Americans face problems like poverty, jobs, alcohol, drugs and many other problems. Some tribes have more better things in life like the casinos which were some get their "per cap." So have casinos but there casinos don't make much, so they don't get much back. Not only that, but more than half of natives have bad land which they can't farm or plant much. The reason for this is cause the whites pushed us here and gave us bad land which they didn't want. The drugs and alcohol also don't help much.

Most Southwestern Natives live on poor lands with no good jobs that pay much, so when they do get their checks, they take it to the liquor store and buy liquor, of course. That or they go buy drugs. Today we are fighting to gain our language back because only so many can speak fluently. We are like this also because when our great-grandparents were taken to boarding schools every time they spoke their language, they got beaten, hit and some were even molested. Then they were sent home. Most of them didn't remember their language, so they had to learn it back slowly. Then they tried to teach it to our grandparents, which then tried to teach it to our parents which they didn't try as hard as our grandparents to teach it to us. Now there are native schools out there that are teaching to their kids there the language of their tribe.

For in order for you to be Native, you at least need to be one-fourth of a tribe to be on the rolls. The reason why this is because the white people said so. If we could go further on the percentage we would have a lot more people on the rolls that are Native American.

By Eldon Powless
ONHS sophomore

Native Americans face a lot of social issues today. They face alcoholism. They face poverty because of what white people did to us. They stripped us of our land, our culture, and our language. They took our land and put us on reservations. When they found out that the land they put us on was rich with resources they took that land and put us on crappier land.

Then they gave us food. But the food they gave us was rotten. They introduced us to alcohol and disease. They gave us blankets and other stuff with small pox infested on it. They also introduced us to fatty foods. That's why today a lot of native people have Diabetes. That is why a lot of native people are alcoholics.

The white people took everything we had away from us. After that they copied our government and gave us laws that say we can believe in what we used to believe in.

These are some of the social issues native people face today.

Education

Oneida Nation Community Education Center

Time Marches on and so do the numbers

A few years ago we wrote about our numbers and here we are again. The ONCEC GED/PASS/Tutoring section has surpassed the 5,500 mark in enrolled students since June of 1993. Nearly 2,500 students have either received their GED's, High School diplomas or gained credits toward graduation from high school. Chances are strong that you are one of our students or you know someone who is our student. We span the generations; once you enroll, you are enrolled for life. Lifelong learning is our goal for our students.

More and more students are entering post secondary educational institutions. Students continue to return to the ONCEC to use computers, do homework, write papers, and get tutoring assistance. We have students from NWTC, Lakeland, UWGB, College of the Menominee, University of Phoenix, Kaplan University, and Capella University just to name a few. The computer section of the ONCEC offers a variety of classes to help the continuing student as well as the student who wants to sharpen skills or learn new skills for the workplace.

While our student enrollment increases, our staff decreases, so you may have to be patient at times when there are several students in need of help at the same time. We are open on Saturday from 9:00 am until 3:00pm to give more time to students who work during the week and are in need of our services. During the week we are open Monday through Thursday from 7:30am to 9:00pm. On Friday we are open from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM.

Our doors are open. If you haven't visited us lately, stop by. If you had been working on your GED and something stopped you, come back. We will dust off your file and continue on. If you have completed and neglected to let us know give us a call **(496-7860)** or stop by **2632 S. Packerland**. Come see how old some of us have gotten. Remember at the ONCEC you are in a class by yourself!

22nd Annual ONES Science Fair scheduled

The 22nd annual Oneida Nation Elementary School Science Fair for grades 5-12 will be held on Thursday, December 14, 2006. Public viewing will be from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Small Gym.

The awards assembly will be at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, December 15, 2006 in the Big Gym.

We are seeking individuals who want to be a judge for our Oneida Nation School System Science Fair. Judges are responsible for scoring student projects. Previous experience is not required.

Judging will run from 7:45am to 12 pm on Thursday, December 14th. A Continental Breakfast and Lunch will be provided. If you are interested in being a judge, please contact Tracy Christensen at **tchriste@oneidanation.org** or **(920)869-1676 ex.174** by Friday, December 1st.

Thank you in advance for your commitment to the students of the Oneida Nation School System.

Oneida Nation Community Education Center

Winter computer classes announced

By Bob O'Donnell
CEC Computer Instructor

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced their December schedule of computer classes. Classes are free for all tribal members and employees, and held at our location at 2632 South Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced computer software training in Microsoft, Corel and Adobe applications, the Community Education Center also offers classes for those new to computers or who would like to learn more using computers at work or home.

In December, the Community Education Center will offer an evening class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows XP" starting on December 11.

A class entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Internet Explorer" will be offered on December 21 and December 26. The Internet Explorer class provides students with a basic understanding of how to safely navigate the Internet, and find useful information.

An introductory class on Microsoft Word will begin on Tuesday, December 19. Classes will provide students with an understanding how to use computers to type letters, resumes, reports and more.

The next eight-week class how to use of QuickBooks small business accounting software will begin on Thursday, Jan. 4, 2007.

Also in December, the Community Education Center will offer classes on Adobe Photoshop, Microsoft PowerPoint, Corel Presentations, and Microsoft Access. In addition to regular classes, one-on-one training and personal assistance is available by appointment during our regular business hours.

The Oneida Nation Community Education Center is open Monday thru Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Friday and on Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. For more information on computer classes, software use training or computer assistance, contact the Oneida Community Education Center at **496-7860.**

Learning Center at the Civic

By Mandy Schneider
Oneida Civic Center

The youth at the Civic Center have reached their first goal of 500 character development badges. WAY TO GO KIDS!!!!! The youth were rewarded with trips to the movies. The teens were taken to see "Stranger than Fiction," and the seven to 12 year olds were taken to see "Flushed Away." The turn out was great and the kids were awesome.

Also, do not forget about homework help. This is the tutoring program offered every day in the learning center. Participation equals rewards. Lastly, teens do not forget that the learning center at the Civic Center is here to help you not only with your homework, but with everything from applying to colleges to finding your first apartment.

So, come on down to the Civic Center Learning Center - there is something here for everyone.

Adult Only Basketball League will bounce into action in January

By Amanda Riesenberg
Oneida Civic Center

Form your own team and come join us for this Adult Only Basketball League. Games will start Monday, January 8, 2007 at the Civic Center. All games will be played on Monday evenings. This will be a 7-week season, with the last two weeks being a seeded tournament. There is a $75 team fee, and all players must be recreation members (a $5 fee). Rosters must be all NDN players plus two with a maximum of eight players. Awards will be given to the Champions.

Registration forms can be picked up and turned in at the Civic Center. Registration is limited to the first six teams who turn in their registration form and payment. Rosters and payment are due January 3. Please make checks payable to Sid White. Please contact the Oneida Civic Center at **869-1088** with any questions.

Scholarship Opportunities

Roberta J. Kinzhuma Memorial

Oneida Elderly Services are delighted to announce the availability of the "Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship". This scholarship is in honor of Roberta Kinzhuma's dedication and hard work that she put forth towards obtaining her Bachelors Degree.

The Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship Fund is set up for women going back to school to further their education and for their continued efforts in academic achievement. The scholarship funds are generated from fund raising activities of the Oneida Elderly Services.

Oneida Women are encouraged to apply for the "Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship". A $300.00 scholarship will be awarded directly to an individual meeting the following criteria:

1. Must be returning to school (Freshmen are not eligible)
2. Must be single and female
3. An enrolled member of Oneida Indians of Wisconsin
4. Must have a 3.0 or B cumulative grade point average
5. Seeking a degree or certificate in an accredited college and/or technical school

Please submit an application along with short essay regarding yourself, a copy of your last semesters grades/transcripts, and a copy of your tribal ID.

Applications can be pick up at: Oneida Elderly Services, 2907 S Overland Rd, Oneida WI 54155 or Oneida Higher Education, N7210 Seminary Rd, Oneida WI 54155

Applications are due January 10th. Winner will be announced via telephone and tribal group-wise one week before the AMVETS Community Service Award Banquet. Presentation will be at the AMVETS Community Service Awards Banquet.

If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Director of Oneida Elderly Services at **869-2448**.

First Ladies of Elegance Pageant

Green Bay, Wis.-- (November 28, 2006)- The Green Bay Northeastern Wisconsin African American Association (NEWAAMA) announces its first-ever Scholarship Pageant for young ladies in the 12th grade with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 and above, that are a resident of the Green Bay area from all ethnic backgrounds. The pageant, established to provide contestants with the opportunity to have fun, gain exposure, achieve greater personal growth, and enhance their educational goals, is funded and dependent on contributions from local businesses, organizations, schools and individuals. The application for the First Annual Ladies of Elegance Scholarship Pageant is due **January 20, 2007**, and the event will be held **April 21, 2007.**

To participate, one must submit an official application and three letters of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, and church or community organization. The entry fee of $100.00 must be sent with the application. Sponsors can be used to help with this fee. **The application must be postmarked on or before January 20, 2007** to be considered, and can be sent to **NEWAAMA, P.O. Box 683, Green Bay, WI 54305.**

The Northeast Wisconsin African American Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to making Northeast Wisconsin a better place to live, through promotion of community service and cultural diversity awareness and enlargement.

For additional information on the pageant, or to donate your support, please contact Nicole at **920-468-1601** or email to: **newaama@yahoo.com**

College Horizons offered for Native American high school students

A Pre-College Workshop For Native American Students College-bound Native American high school students are invited to participate in a five-day college preparation course this summer during seminars to be held at Harvard and Stanford universities.

Students who participate in College Horizons will work with college counselors and admission officers to help them with:

- Selecting suitable colleges
- Completing winning applications and write memorable essays
- Learning what turns an applicant into an admitted student
- Becoming a test-prep "whiz kid"
- Finding the way through the financial aid and scholarship jungle

Students will also learn about various colleges and universities, and establish personal relationships with admission representatives and college counselors that will continue after the program is over.

Ninety students will be allowed to participate at each site. Please view at the College Horizons Web site to see which schools will be at the East Coast or West Coast seminar. Native American (enrolled members only), Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian sophomores and juniors with a minimum GPA of 3.0 (in academic courses) are eligible.

The College Horizons crash course is scheduled for the following dates:

- JUNE 16-20, 2007 - Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
- JUNE 23-27, 2007 - Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA

First round, priority receipt deadline is **February 1**; second round receipt deadline is **March 1**. Applications will be accepted on a space-available basis until May 1. After March 1, please contact College Horizons to see which site may still have spaces.

Cost is $150, which includes tuition, room, meals, all materials and transportation to campus from the Boston or San Francisco or San Jose airports. Students are responsible for their own airfare, but funding is available for travel and tuition assistance. Each year College Horizons awards travel assistance to more than 50 percent of its students. Students may indicate a site preference.

To download an application, go to **www.collegehorizons.org**. For questions contact, Dr. Whitney Laughlin, College Horizons executive director, or Christine Suina, coordinator, at : **CollegeHorizons@aol.com** or **(505) 401-3854.** Or write to **College Horizons, P.O. Box 1262, Pena Blanca, NM 87041.**

Collaborating partners of College Horizons include AIGC (American Indian Graduate Center), Winds of Change magazine, Harvard University, Stanford University, Princeton Review Foundation, the College Board and 41 of the nation's finest colleges and universities.

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Health

More minority kids getting adult-type diabetes

By Sheryl Kornman
Tucson Citizen

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) – Marco Melgar, an 11-year-old sixth-grader, has friends with diabetes, but he's looking forward to a lifetime without the deadly disease.

The Tucson boy has learned that exercise and good nutrition will help him avoid becoming a statistic.

In Pima County, thousands of Hispanic and American Indian adults struggle with obesity and the challenges of type 2 diabetes. Hispanics, blacks and American Indians have higher rates of diabetes than whites.

Because of an upswing in the numbers of overweight minority children, more of them are being diagnosed with adult-type diabetes.

It's estimated that at least 40,000 American children now have type 2 diabetes, the type associated with adult obesity.

Born genetically programmed to store fat during times of famine, many overweight Hispanics, Indians and blacks develop symptoms of diabetes from a regular diet of low-cost, high-calorie fast food and sodas, coupled with little daily physical activity.

Without changing their diet and activity level, some minority children could spend their lives injecting insulin several times a day or attached to an insulin pump with a needle beneath their skin to regulate blood glucose.

Some could die prematurely from the complications of diabetes - kidney failure and heart disease.

Challenger Middle School in Sunnyside Unified School District screens its children for diabetes.

Parents in the predominantly Hispanic south side area are told when a child needs to see a doctor to be tested for diabetes, and the family is referred to publicly funded health clinics.

A free weekly diabetes prevention program aimed at this "medically underserved" minority population is helping teach some of the children how they can try to prevent the onset of diabetes.

"Defeating Diabetes Through Dance and Diet" began last spring as a project of the University of Arizona's Center for Health Equality and UA's Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health.

Challenger School counselors Sagrario Espinosa and Maritza Garlant-Molin coordinated the program with Ada Dieke, 26, a UA masters in public health fellow, who designed and ran it.

After UA funding ran out earlier this month, Girl Scouts of America stepped in with funding to keep the program going.

The free after-school program offers an hour of dance twice a month and an hour of instruction twice a month on healthful meals and tips about diabetes.

Nathaniel Bolivar, 12, a seventh-grader at Challenger, said he took the class because he's at risk for diabetes.

"I just wanted to learn more so you won't get it, and I can help my tata (grandfather) with it. He gets insulin shots," Nathaniel said.

Dieke chose hip-hop for the exercise part of the program to get the kids really moving.

Kaleshia Andrews, 11, a sixth-grader, said she's "been wanting to learn about diabetes so I know."

"My mom (a diabetic) has a machine at home," she said. "I eat a lot of vegetables, but my sister likes hot Cheetos."

Dr. Kurt J. Griffin, a UA assistant professor of pediatrics and a pediatric endocrinologist with University Physicians Healthcare, said he sees more preadolescents with adult-type diabetes, which usually doesn't occur until after age 40.

Diabetic children are showing up at the UA College of Medicine's Steele Children's Research CenterAngel Wing for Children with Diabetes weighing as much as 300 pounds by age 12, he said.

Sherman Garver, a research professor at the College of Medicine, studies diabetes and said it's tough, particularly for Hispanics and American Indians, to avoid the weight gain that leads to diabetes.

Historically, "these people were very active all day, farming and walking long distances," he said. "Now they're not. And now they have very calorie-dense foods that they consume - the deep-fat fried breads, the tortillas. They tuck all that fat away. . . .

"They can't sit around and eat McDonald's. Their bodies are used to the famine, and there is no famine now."

He said adult diabetes in children is "largely preventable."

"Sadly, we see too many children like this now," Garver said. "For all these kids, the answer is diet and exercise."

Griffin said young people are often not mature enough to understand the risk they face and the importance of a more healthful lifestyle.

Even when warned that they could lose kidney function and end up blind and on dialysis for four hours a day three times a week, many still won't change their eating habits or activity level, he said.

To make an impact on a diabetic child who is at risk, "you have to get tough and hit them where they live," he said. "Take back the cell phone or the video game. These kids need limits, just like toddlers."

The Challenger Middle School program invited parents to visit for their own hour of exercise - salsa dancing - after the children's class, but none showed up, the counselors said.

Garver said parents should help their children develop healthful eating habits before they get fat.

And that includes infants, he said.

"Babies as young as 6 months already know what they like to eat. By the time a child is in early adolescence, eating habits are set and difficult to modify."

Griffin said more frequent visits to the pediatrician during early childhood may help prevent diabetes.

"Pediatricians see the kids when they're teeny tiny, and then they don't come in until they need shots for kindergarten, and then they fall off the face of the planet," he said.

"When the kids come to see me, it's kind of too late."

Give the gift of life... donate at local blood drive

By Steven Gandy
Kalihwisaks

You can help make this holiday season a safer one by giving the gift of life. The last blood drive of the year in Oneida will be held on Friday, December 15 from 8am – 2pm at Oneida Family Fitness. The Blood Drive Committee and the American Red Cross are sponsoring the event and hopes to improve upon the last drives numbers.

Back in September, 27 people donated blood and because of those donations, 81 lives could be saved or helped. Patient need exceeds 900 donations daily in our region and it is up to the Red Cross and its donors to fill those bags.

Employees of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin are encouraged to donate their blood. General Manager, Debbie Thundercloud and Gaming General Manager, Neil Cornelius both have expressed their support for this initiative . Tribal Resolution #4-5-95 allows for two hours of paid time off - authorized by a departmental supervisor for any employee that is pre-registered and completes the screening on the day of the blood drive.

Requirements:

YOU MAY DONATE…
every 56 days (8 weeks)
YOU MAY DONATE…
if you're at least 17 years old
YOU MAY DONATE…
if you weigh at least 110 lbs.
YOU MAY DONATE…
if you are on some blood pressure medications
YOU MAY DONATE…
if you are on some diabetic medications
YOU MAY DONATE…
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YOU MAY DONATE…
3 days after dental surgery
YOU MAY DONATE…
if you receive a tattoo or piercing in a state that regulates tattoo facilities (WI-Yes; IL, MN, MI-wait 1 yr.)

Donor Tips:

1. Eat a well-balanced meal within four hours before giving blood.
2. If you have trouble with your iron count, it may help to eat some iron rich foods.
3. Wear a shirt with appropriate sleeves for donating. Either lightweight sleeves that are pushed up easily or short sleeves will make the process easier.

Please remember, upon check-in, the Red Cross will need you to present your driver's license OR blood donor card OR 2 other forms of ID. Thank you for helping keep our blood supply safe.

For an appointment call Oneida Family Fitness at 490-3730.

This Article was written with the assistance of submissions by Dawn Krines-Glatt

- **Every two seconds, someone in this country needs blood.**
- **Only 5% of the eligible population give blood. The demand for blood is outpacing the available supply.**
- **Every day, the Red Cross must collect over 900 blood donations in our region to meet patients' needs.**
- **Every unit of blood can be separated into several components, helping save the lives of three or more patients.**
- **All blood types are needed constantly, but there is a special need for O negative, O positive and B negative blood.**

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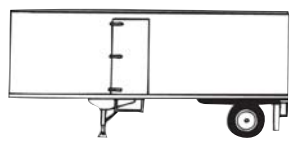
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WHEN: **December 14, 2006 6P.M.**

WHERE: **BC Conference Room, Norbert Hill Center**

To the highest bidder…



3 Semi-Trailers

The following 3- Semi -Trailers will become available through a sealed bid process. The bidding process includes:

* Trailers can be inspected at Oneida Public Transit at W1138 Ranch Rd.
* **All Trailers are sold as is**. Please inspect trailers carefully before bidding.
* Bidders must be enrolled tribal members and be 18 years old or older..
* Bidding will start on Wednesday, December 13, 2007 and will end on Wednesday December 20, 2007 at 11:00 am.
* All sealed bid will be opened on Thursday, December 21 at 9:00 a.m.
* Trailers will be labeled 1 thru 3. All sealed bids are to include: Trailer number, bid price, bidder's full name, address, and telephone number. The bid must be sealed in an envelope labeled trailer sealed bid and dropped off at the Department of Public Works, Attn: Amanda Stevens.
* Sealed bids will be opened by Jacque Boyle, and Amanda Stevens.
* The highest bidder per trailer will be notified by phone on Thursday December 21, 2006.
* All trailers must be paid for by money order or cashier's check within 7 business days and made payable to the: Oneida Tribe.

All trailers not paid for by January 1, 2007 will go to the next highest bidder.
All trailers must be removed from the Transit Department lot no later than January 5, 2007.

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***

Nathaniel James Baumgart

Nathaniel James Baumgart was born to Jennifer Andrews and Daniel (DJ) Baumgart November 14th and was 7lbs, 15oz and 191/4 inches at birth.

The proud grandparents are Thomas & Virginia Dessart and Penny Vandermuss and Jerry Andrews. Nathaniel has two siblings, Emily and Zachary.

Maurice Martell Collins, Jr

Maurice Martell Collins, Jr. Was born to Nicole Matchopatow and Maurice Collins, Sr. On Wednesday, September 13, 2006 at 8:24pm. He weighed 8lbs, 6oz and measured 19 inches long at birth.

The proud maternal grandparents are Cara Matchopatow, Ralph Tucker of Oneida, Wisconsin and the late Frederick Matchopatow, Jr. Of Keshena, Wisconsin. The proud paternal grandparents are Virginia and Johnny Moffett of Chicago, Illinois.

Congratulations to the Pulaski Football Varsity Team for making it to the Playoffs!!



Photo by H. Marc Larson/Green Bay Press Gazette

Gerald Skenandore–Junior, Sterling Nunies–Junior, Marcus Webster–Junior, Jerrel Kurowski–Senior, and Marcus Smith–Senior.
Not pictured is Dustin Doxtator–Junior.
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Happy Birthday

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Happy Birthday

Uncle Buddy!



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Happy 2nd Birthday

Isabelle



❤ Hugs & Butterfly Kisses ❤
Love Auntie Dana

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary
January Calendar of Events

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Skunks – Do They Always Stink?
Tuesday, January 2, 2007 at 10 a.m. and again Monday, January 15, 2007 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families can learn about skunks during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the stories "Sassafrass" by Audrey Penn and "Skunks Go To Bed" by Ted Bailey. After the story, the youngsters will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per Friends member and Green Bay resident and $3 per non-resident.

Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3671.

Ice Fishing Workshop: Introduction to Ice Fishing
Friday, January 19, 2007 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Do you want to experience ice fishing, but not sure how to go about it or what equipment you need? Make sure to sign up for the Sanctuary's Introductory Ice Fishing Workshop. Participants will learn how to make their own fishing pole, what you need to ice fish and safety precautions. If weather permits, participants can test out their new fishing skills. This program is recommended for children between 8-12 years old. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is $5 per Green Bay resident and Friends member or $7.50 per non-resident.

Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3671.

For more information, call **(920) 391-3671.**
Visit the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary web-site at: **www.baybeachwildlife.com**

Wise Women Gathering Place

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December 13, 2006	December 21, 2006
December 27, 2006	**Friday, Jan. 4, 2007***
January 10, 2007	January 18, 2007
January 24, 2007	**February 1, 2007**
February 7, 2007	February 15, 2007
February 21, 2007	**March 1, 2007**
March 7, 2007	March 15, 2007
March 21, 2007	**March 29, 2007**
April 4, 2007	April 12, 2007
April 18, 2007	**April 26, 2007**
May 2, 2007	May 10, 2007
May 16, 2007	**May 24, 2007**
May 30, 2007	Wed., June 6, 2007*
June 13, 2007	**June 21, 2007**
June 27, 2007	July 5, 2007
July 11, 2007	**July 19, 2007**
July 26, 2007	August 3, 2007
August 8, 2007	**August 16, 2007**
August 22, 2007	August 30, 2007
September 5, 2007	**September 13, 2007**
September 19, 2007	September 27, 2007
October 3, 2007	**October 11, 2007**
October 17, 2007	October 25, 2007
October 31, 2007	**November 8, 2007**
November 14, 2007	Wed. Nov. 21, 2007*
November 28, 2007	**December 6, 2007**
December 12, 2007	December 20, 2007
December 26, 2007	**January 3, 2008**

The deadline dates above are the dates that material must be submitted to the Kalihwisaks Office. Deadline dates are Wednesdays (every other) unless otherwise noted, and Publish dates are Thursdays (every other), unless otherwise noted*. Material can be dropped off at the Kalihwisaks Office, Room 1400 (Basement Level) of the Norbert Hill Center, located at N7210 Seminary Road, or mailed to: Kalihwisaks, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155. Information may also be sent via e-mail or phoned in to: Dawn Walschinski, Ph. #869-4277; Yvonne Kaquatosh, Ph. #869-4280; or Steve Gandy, Ph. #869-4279. You may also call Debbie, 920-869-4340 or 1-800-236-2214. The Kalihwisaks fax # is: 920-869-4252. Material must be received no later than 4:30 P.M. on the scheduled deadline dates. This is only a tentative schedule. If changes in the schedule are necessary, the revised schedule will appear in the Kalihwisaks.

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Questions, please call: 920-869-4277, 4279 or 4280

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Business Opportunity

Applications now available for community-based economic development funding

MADISON-Community-based organizations and local officials seeking to promote business growth and development will want to apply for project funding through Community-Based Economic Development (CBED) Program in the Department of Commerce (Commerce). Application deadline is January 12, 2007.

"The CBED Program has played an important role in developing strong organizational capacity to support local economic development activities," said Commerce Secretary Mary P. Burke. "We want to support activities that will have the greatest impact on local economies and the state as a whole."

The CBED Program awards grants to community-based organizations for development and business assistance projects and to municipalities for economic development planning. The program also helps community-based organizations plan, build, and create business and technology-based incubators, and can also capitalize an incubator tenant revolving-loan program.

Commerce will show preference to applications that address the following program priorities:

* Support activities designed to develop or expand tech-based incubators.
* Target promising and innovative community-based projects that promote entrepreneurship
* Promote a regional approach to community development and encourage collaboration between multiple organizations to implement a unique or innovative solution to a local development problem.

To apply, or for additional program information, contact Doug Thurlow, Commerce, 608/266-7942.

Legal Notice

Setting Time and Notice to Creditors: request for information.

The Following estates are being prepared for probate by the United States Department of the Interior and/opt the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Appeals Commission, Office of Hearings and Appeals. All Creditors claims must be filed on or before January 2, 2007.

Keith W. Skenandore
DOB 06/10/1952
DOD 09/06/2006

Send all creditors' claims and information relating to the decedent to the following address:

Tina L. Figueroa, Probate Clerk, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
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Send your email to Kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org

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Committee Vacancy

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Three (3) Vacancies

Qualifications:

Shall serve a two (2) year term

Shall be a parent of the Airport Road Child Care Center or be a member of the Social & Human Services Program (Indian Child Welfare, Child Protective Board, Oneida Community Health Center, Legal or Educational Institutions, etc.

Purpose: We provide the highest quality educational and support services to all children and families. We empower the children through the use of developmentally appropriate practices. Our practices reflect the unique culture heritage of the Oneida Community and build the foundation for the next Seven Generations.

Deadline date of 12/11/06.

Oneida Personnel Commission:
One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:

Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe

The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two(2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community members

Shall serve remainder of term, ending April 7, 2008.

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Please call Stephanie Mineau, Environmental Health Technician, 496-5340 to sign-up today! Any session that does not have at least 3 people registered and present within 15 minutes of class start time will be cancelled.

Classes will resume again beginning April -December 2007.

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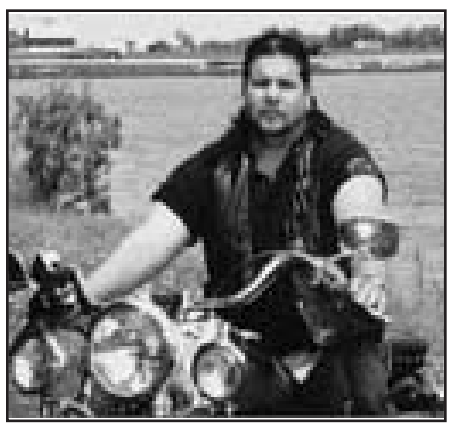
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Health/Environment

Heifer International works with tribes to develop community based foods

Submitted by Susan Daniels
Upper Midwest Field Coordinator

Heifer International is a non-profit organization working with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth. Since it began in 1944, Heifer has helped 7 million families in 50 countries including the United States. Heifer partners with community groups to form development plans with specific goals. Partners learn how to care for animals and grow crops in ways that can be sustained for future generations. Heifer provides expertise in animal health, water quality, gender equity, the environment and community development.

The USA Country Program of Heifer International, has as its strategic plan, to incorporate projects around a Community Based Just Food Systems and Food Sovereignty (CBJFS). The USA Country Program has nearly 100 projects in 29 states across the country. The vision of the USA Country Program is:

To help build just food systems through community-based planning efforts that provide high quality, culturally appropriate foods to all community members – especially those with genuine need – and alleviate poverty through creation of sustainable livelihoods for participation in that food system.

Heifer International has field staff located across the country. Susan Daniels, Upper Midwest Field Coordinator, joined the Heifer International staff in February, 2006. Her office is located in Shawano, Wisconsin. Susan has been assigned to work with indigenous communities both on and off reservation in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan.

Susan works with Paul Smith, Director of the Indigenous Peoples Initiative of Heifer International. Paul's office is located in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Together, Paul and Susan have been working to get the word out in Indian Country that field staff is available to native communities. While Paul is responsible for development of projects in all of the United States and Canada, Susan's focus is in this three state area.

As Heifer staff, we seek long-term solutions that build the capacity of communities to work together to address nutritional, economic, environmental and social needs through family-scale agricultural projects. Its success depends upon the active participation of community members.

Sustainable agriculture has typically helped raise the bar on farming practices in terms of their impact on the environment, economic realities and social relationships. Driven to save family farming and small farms, the movement has been largely based in rural areas.

Community food security emphasizes the need for everyone to have access to good quality, culturally appropriate food. It seeks to move beyond "food pantries and soup kitchens" to addressing underlying causes of food insecurity and hunger. Given its drive to meet the needs of the "food insecure" populations, this movement has had a more urban audience.

Heifer's USA Country Program is working hard to develop and integrate these two national movements, extending our impact with and beyond projects, families and partners to community-based, just food systems that have the potential to relieve poverty-reproducing forces in our society.

To learn more about Heifer International and its project, visit their website at: www.heifer.org. or contact Susan Daniels, Upper Midwest Field Coordinator at: **susan.daniels@heifer.org** or **715-758-6095.**

Greetings from the Farm

As is my semi annual custom, I wanted to drop a message on the farms progress this fall.

It has been a busy fall, and as of November 15th, we can say all field work is completed.

This fall we will still be tiling about 50 acres. We were able to thoroughly accomplish long overdue tillage and we are very happy to report this accomplishment to you.

Our contract with Tidy View Farm, I feel has worked very well this year. We converted most of the corn grain acres to silage, because of the wet spring causing replant acres, which caused the corn to be very uneven in moisture.

This conversion of selling silage was a big savings for the Farm in the areas of fuel, as well as labor, because the customer did all the harvesting. The price paid for silage was converted to the price paid on the grain market rate, still giving the farm a good return. This price is based on the market for a one year period and the final adjustments will be made to the farm after the first of the year.

Along with our contract with this customer we received at no cost about four million gallons of liquid manure, (liquid gold) applied to a number of acres, staying with in compliance regulations and all other issues involved.

This liquid manure should show a plus for our fertilizer cost in the future, due to the nutrient value in the manure.

The Oneida Nation Farms participated for the second year in the state corn grain plot, with reports that yields were impressive considering the rain fall and weather conditions for this area.

The 580 acres of soybean crop did relatively well, averaging about 42-45 bushel to the acre, all sold with an average of $5.61 bushel.

Alfalfa crop production yielded excellent, plus we were able to sell a couple hundred acres of fourth cutting, due to the fact we produced enough in storage for our operation.

The entire livestock herd is producing excellent, we just weaned off several 700 pound calves born this spring The beef fall roundup for the beef and buffalo is complete with vaccination and worming.

The farm staff is the working crew for the Buffalo so the farm staff will be working on designing and building a corral at the buffalo site serving two main purposes:

1. Safety to workers,
2. Safety and lower stress to the animal.

Behind the farm work scenes these accomplishment could not happened without a very good work force. My Thanks to my Ag workers, Gary Fischer, Leo Mencheski, Duane Ihde, Chris Cornelius, Karla Habeck and Scott Schumacher. I want to commend my two ET workers, Karla and Scott, they are both excellent workers in all areas, always nice to see the smiles on their faces. As always a huge Thank You to Patricia Cornelius, Farm Manager, and Marlene Westgor, Farm Administrative Assistant, for putting up with me thru harvest. Great Gals to work with!

Agriculturally yours,

Denny VanVreede, Farm Supervisor

Be aware of cold weather dangers

Submitted by Marty Antone

Severe winter weather can dramatically increase seasonal deaths and injuries

To protect yourself and your family against the hazards of winter storms - blizzards, heavy snows, freezing rain or sleet - you should follow these safety tips:

Freezing rain or freezing drizzle is forecast when expected rain is likely to freeze as soon as it strikes the ground, putting a coating of ice on roads and walkways. If a substantial layer of ice is expected to accumulate from the freezing rain, a winter storm warning is issued.

Sleet is small particles of ice, usually mixed with rain. If enough sleet accumulates on the ground, it will make the roads slippery.

Travelers' advisories are issued when ice and snow are expected to hinder travel, but not seriously enough to require warnings.

Extreme Cold

Your body, like that of any warm-blooded creature, strives to keep its temperature close to 98.6 degrees F. When the body's thermostat senses that it's becoming too cold, it tries to warm up by constricting blood vessels near the skin. This reduces the amount of blood flowing near the skin, so the blood loses less heat to the air. Shivering begins and that also warms the body. The two key dangers of becoming too cold are hypothermia and frostbite.

If skin becomes cold enough, it can actually freeze. When that happens, ice crystals form and damage tissue. Ears, nose, hands and feet are the most vulnerable. The defense is to be aware of the danger when it's bitterly cold, especially when the wind is blowing. Mittens, hats, a warm covering for the face and warm, dry socks can protect you from frostbite.

Hypothermia

When core body temperature drops below 95 degrees F, a person becomes confused and disoriented. At first shivering is violent; but as the temperature falls, shivering decreases. The result can be unconsciousness and possibly death. Bitter cold isn't necessary for hypothermia. People who are very old or very young are more vulnerable because the body is less able to regulate its temperature. A key defense is to wear wool, not cotton, clothing. When cotton gets wet, it draws heat away from the body. Wool continues to insulate even when it's wet.

What triggers bird migrations

Bill Koonz
Specialist – Environmental Protection



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Eagles will stay in an area as long as there is an adequate food source.

Local animals, especially birds, have been reacting to, and interacting with, daily and seasonal weather changes for thousands of generations. Many of the rituals, beliefs and folklore of our forefathers came from direct observation of how animals reacted to environmental conditions. Watching wild animals was a valuable information source for predicting weather changes prior to modern weather forecasting. All animals are dependent upon weather for guiding their lives.

Climate and day length are the two major factors involved in the timing of bird migrations. Birds that migrate to the tropics respond to the sun's angle and day length to initiate migrations both north and south. The climate in the tropics changes very little so when the time is right the birds trust that conditions for the trip will be appropriate for them to fly north. An illustration that day length and not weather is responsible for some bird migrations is the documented annual, same date, spring return of swallows to San Juan Capistrano, California. Sometimes this blind faith can lead to the deaths of millions of birds due to weather conditions or food shortages along the flight path.

Scientists have studied how birds that migrate to the tropics react to day length. By putting birds in cages and monitoring their movements within the cages scientists found that there is a definite increase in activity on the north side of the cage as more sunlight is simulated and a movement toward the south side of the cage as light is taken away. Birds can be fooled to be completely out of sink with actual day length, responding only to artificial hours of light. The term given to this phenomenon is "zugunruhe" (a word crediting German scientists who first studied the phenomenon).

Birds that respond to climate include those that only migrate as far south as necessary to deal with the environmental conditions (climate and food). For some species, migration may not be every year or it may relate to habitat or food availability. Large numbers of Canada geese and mallard ducks, for example, will stay here in the winter if food is available (snow is not too deep) and open water is present. Bald eagles, red-tailed hawks and most owls do not migrate if food is available on or close to their summer breeding territory.

For most birds it is not the cold that pushes them to migrate, it is the difficulty in finding food. Bird beaks have adapted over thousands of generations to feed on particular foods. If those foods are not available the birds may not be able to feed even if a food source is available that would provide their nutrient needs. Woodcock, for example, have a rather unique bill adaptation. They can open the very tip and suck up an earthworm without having to open their entire beak. This adaptation is not much help if the ground is frozen.

When you observe birds or other animals try to understand how they have adapted to live where they do. Watching how birds and other animals react to weather and day length changes will provide insight into how our forefathers used animals to shape their daily lives. Animals were used for more than food and clothing. They were an early warning system for weather changes.

Local food summit offered

On January 4th, farmers, farm group leaders, nonprofit advocates, educators, and others will gather to share information on efforts around the state to expand Wisconsin's local food markets.

Wisconsin is a leader in local food innovations with a large and growing number of farmers markets and Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) farms. Building on these successes, a number of initiatives around the state are attempting to expand local food markets by increasing institutional purchasing of Wisconsin grown products. From schools to hospitals, farmers and others are connecting with institutional buyers to expand their markets. These efforts and other innovations, including farmer-owned produce auctions, community kitchens, and marketing campaigns, will be discussed at the Wisconsin Local Food Summit.

If you are a part of a local food effort, the Summit will offer an excellent opportunity to share your experiences and learn from others around the state. Brian Halweil of the WorldWatch Institute and author of "Eat Here: Reclaiming Homegrown Pleasures in a Global Supermarket" is the keynote speaker. Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection will be speaking during the lunch which will feature locally grown foods.

The Summit will take place in Stevens Point on January 4th. To request a brochure or information about the conference, please contact Jane Hansen, 715-339-2555, jane.hansen@ces.uwex.edu or Rose Skora, 262-857-1948, rose.skora@ces.uwex.edu.

Registration is $30 if received by December 11th and $40 after that date. For a listing of some of the Wisconsin local food projects and a link to the registration brochure, please go to: http://aic.uwex.edu/local-food.cfm

The Wisconsin Local Food Summit is supported in part from a USDA Agriculture and Entrepreneur Education Grant, UW Cooperative Extension and a variety of organizations including the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Michael Fields Agricultural Institute, etc.

White buffalo calf killed in thunder storm

JANESVILLE, Wis. (AP) ~ A white buffalo calf born in August was among five buffalo killed by lightning at a farm near Janesville, farmer Dave Heider said Monday.

Heider said he went to check on the animals Monday morning before going to work, and the mother of the white buffalo calf was walking around, grunting, so Heider followed her up a hill to where he found the dead animals with burn marks, near a tree.

He said the lightning during a thunderstorm Sunday night apparently hit the tree and all five buffalo.

Heider's farm has seen the birth of three white buffalo - animals that are considered sacred by many American Indian tribes as omens of good fortune and peace.

The first white buffalo, Miracle, was born Aug. 20, 1994, died in 2004.

A second white buffalo born in 1996 died after three days, Heider said.

He said the latest white buffalo calf was a male named Miracle's Second Chance.

"He was born in a storm and died in a storm," he said.

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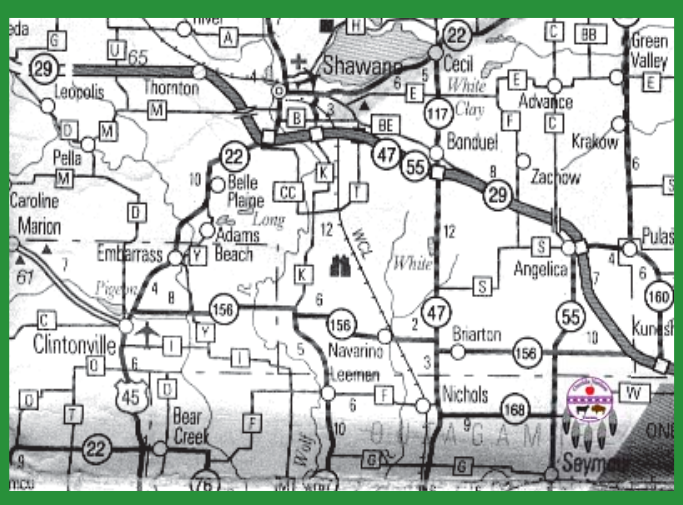


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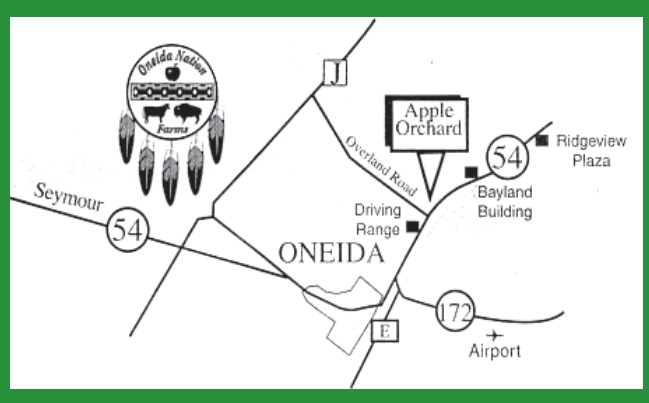
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Students give area families a Merry Christmas

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Christmas came early for seven local families who were fortunate enough to receive help from the West De Pere High School Culture Club.

On Monday, December 18 members of the Culture Club delivered food and other goods to the families they adopted over a month ago.

According to Margo Reiter, Oneida Youth Advocate for West De Pere High School, the families each received two boxes of food which included 10 lbs of hamburger, bratwurst and honey donated by the Oneida Nation Farm. Also, each family received a poinsettia from Mrs. Clara Hedrich of the West De Pere High School.

In total, the families were provided enough food to last all Christmas day from breakfast through dinner and includes all the fixins' and snacks for the family.

A special thanks goes out to the YES Seymour Mentorship Program for their donation of hats and mittens for the 17 youths in the adopted families.

Pauline Wallenfang and her son Royce Bressette Jr. were among the families that

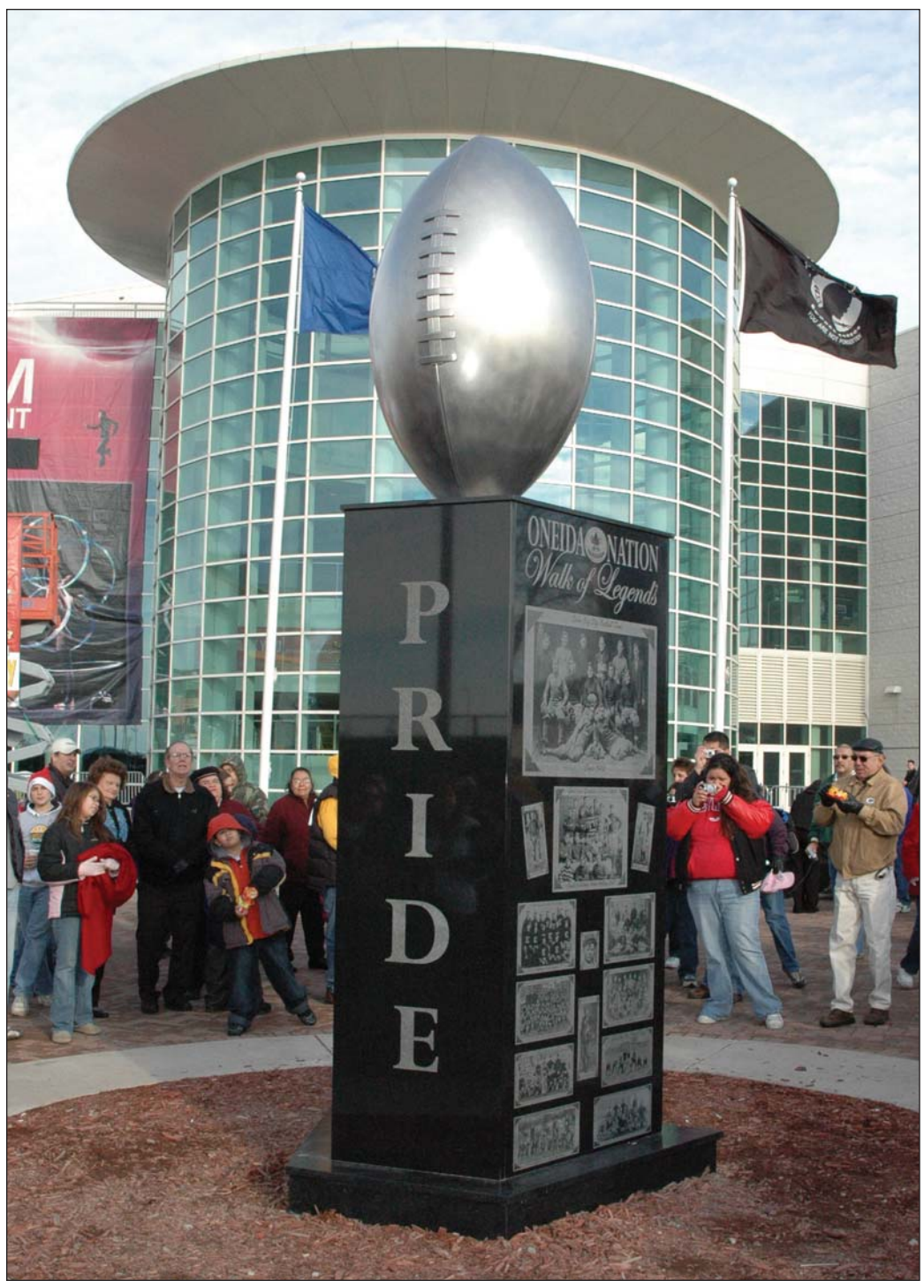
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Culture Club



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Members of WDPHS Culture Club delivered food and goods to the families. Clockwise from L, Yuntle McLester, Whitney Wheelock, Autumn Webster Jalessa Schuyler, Pauline Wallenfang and Royce Bressette Jr.

Descendants take pride in monument



By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The unveiling of the Walk of Legends Pride Era Monument was one part historical moment, one part family reunion.

Oneida Business Committee Chairman Gerald Danforth spoke before the big moment in front of the Resch Center on Sunday morning, December 17.

"I would just like to mention their family names, and just give a round of applause as I do: Thomas Skenandore," said Danforth. A thunderous cheer erupted. "Jonas Metoxen," another loud cheer.

Descendants of Oneida football players Skenandore, Metoxen, Martin Wheelock, Taylor Smith, Wilson Charles and so on came from as far as Washington, DC and Arizona to witness the unveiling of the black granite monument that pays homage to the pre-Packer era.

Jonas Metoxen's great-

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Pride Monument

Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Descendants of Oneida football players attended the unveiling of the Pride Monument, one of 24 monuments that will be placed in the Lambeau Field neighborhood.

Wisconsin explores expanding pension to tribes

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The Wisconsin Retirement System sent a letter last month to the 11 Native American nations of the state to gauge interest in having their police officers join the state's pension fund.

According to Rep. Terry Musser, R-Black River Falls, and chairman of a special state-tribal committee, "One of the problems (the tribes) have now is that after they get through training (officers) and going through the expense of getting them certified, they end up going to other law enforcement agencies who have the

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Counties offer alternative to Oneida land trust plan

UTICA, N.Y. (AP) – A new plan offered Thursday would have the Oneida Indian Nation put just its casino, housing and cultural buildings into federal trust.

Officials from Madison and Oneida counties offered the proposal to the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs during a public hearing on the tribe's application to put 17,370 acres into federal trust.

Under the counties' proposal, the tribe would put its Turning Stone Resort and Casino and its housing and cultural buildings into federal trust, which cover about 1,030 acres, said Rocky DiVeronica, chairman of the Madison County Board of Supervisors.

The Oneidas also would have to agree to pay all taxes on land not in trust, resolve disputes over taxes on gasoline and cigarettes, work out a new compact to keep the Turning Stone casino open, and drop a 250,000-acre land claim.

"We feel that it fits the needs of the Oneida Indian Nation and fits the needs of Oneida and Madison counties," DiVeronica said. "We're hoping they agree with this proposal and get this thing

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57 years and counting, Oneida VFW Ladies Aux



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy



L to R Diane Thiesen, Carol Robelia, Helen Skenandore, Arletta Kurowski, Jackie Wacek, Lida Metoxen, Rika Smith, Arlene Elm, Dela King, Marie Scott, Josephine Oudenhoven, Grace Bear. Not pictured is Dorothy Skenandore. Inset-Prudence Doxtator.

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

For over half a century, the women of the local VFW Ladies Auxiliary #7784 have been supporting their male counterparts upon their return from foreign soil. The 7784 was chartered in the fall of 1949 and has been helping the VFW ever since.

According to VFW Ladies Auxiliary member Josephine Oudenhoven, the goal of their organization is to "help the men of the post with fund raising."

The ladies do more than just fund-raising.

"On memorial day we help the men at the cemeteries put up flags," Oudenhoven said.

Currently there are about 30 active members in the VFW Ladies Auxiliary #7784 with about 50 paying dues according to Carol Robelia, VFW Auxiliary member.

The ladies are looking for additional members and are hoping to reach a healthy number of members for their nationally chartered organization.

"We should be at least 200 strong," Robelia said. "Anyone can be a member as long as they are related to a veteran with and honorable discharge."

Oudenhoven cites the loss of membership as the biggest change in the VFW Auxiliary since it's original charter in 1949 and all the women hope for new members to join to help keep the 7784 going.

Dorothy Skenandore is currently in charge of the Ladies Auxiliary.

If you are interested in joining the Ladies Auxiliary #7784, you can call the Oneida VFW for information or talk to any current member of the Auxiliary.

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Local

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received food and goods from the Culture Club.

"My oldest son is coming home, so this will really help out," said Wallenfang. "Thank you all very much and Merry Christmas."

Reiter gives the credit for the programs success to the student in the Culture Club.

"Those youth who assisted, in either, the set-up or delivery of the food included Devan Cantu, Yuntle McLester, Autumn Webster, Jalessa Schuyler and Whitney Wheelock," Reiter stated. "This is just a great thing these youth are doing.....and they seem to enjoy it themselves as well. I am so proud of them and their active participation and assistance of community members."

In addition to the students putting forth their best efforts, the parents of the students also deserve some of the credit.

Lori Webster, mother of Autumn, and her accounting department co-workers donated four boxes of food and cash that was used to purchase meat for the families. Pat and Frank Summers bought six bags of groceries to donate and Sharon Skenandore, mother of a West De Pere student also donated food.

In addition to spreading holiday cheer, Reiter believes the program serves a greater purpose.

"This project is a good thing because it shows to the younger youth a positive role model example for them in their future and shows them we all have responsibilities to one another in our community, no matter your age," Reiter concluded.

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retirement system already in place."

The letter was sent after being approached by the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin and the Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians four years ago. Currently, tribal safety officers are not eligible to join state pensions because the tribal police departments are not governmental agencies of Wisconsin.

However, the lapse in time for Wisconsin to offer access to the pension plan has motivated Oneida and Lac Du Flambeau to create their own plans that mirror the state's. Lt. Ron King of the Oneida Police Department (OPD) helped develop the Public Safety Officers Pension Plan for Oneida.

"It's a long time coming. I know when I started in 1986, we had tried to get into the state retirement plan back then, and had been refused," said Lt. King.

The pension plan for OPD and Oneida Conservation officers may be put into place by the Legislative Operating Committee in a month or two, according to Business Committee Member Ed Delgado.

"We would like to see our police officers who've dedicated their lives to the people of the nation have the same protection, the same benefits as police officers that belong to (the state pension plan)," said Delgado.

There are concerns with joining the state pension plan. One would be the uncertain time line of when it could be available. According to Rep. Musser, the plan could go forward next year sometime.

Another concern is the question of sovereign immunity. "One of the conditions that (the tribes) would have to waive their sovereign immunity for specific questions and concerns about their employees that are in the Wisconsin retirement system," said Rep. Musser.

Finally, it's uncertain if the Oneida plan and the Wisconsin plan could be merged.

For Lt. King, the issue of pensions is an issue about fairness.

"The (tribal) officers are trained the same, same work, and are denied that incentive for the pension plan," said King.

Record number attend Santa breakfast

Submitted by Kim Diemer

On Saturday, December 9, 2006 Oneida Recreation held their annual Breakfast with Santa for families with youth ages 0-8. There were pancakes, sausage, balloons, pictures and, of course, presents!

Youth started the event walking through "The Winter Wonderland of Trees" where they used spare change to vote on their favorite tree. The Winter Wonderland was a huge success collecting more than $130 for the Oneida Pantry. A special thanks goes out to all the Oneida Participants; Department of Public Works, Oneida Police Department, Governmental Administration, The Oneida Pantry, Elderly Act ivies, Oneida Recreation, Wise Women Gather Place, Ridge View Compliance Department, Oneida Business Committee, Oneida Child Care, Oneida Arts Program, Oneida Adventure Program, Oneida Nation High School, Oneida Library, Oneida Fitness Center, Enrollments, Oneida Gaming Commission, Oneida YES Program, and the Oneida Casino Executive.

After walking through the Winter Wonderland of Trees, families enjoyed a breakfast of pancakes sausage and juice, and then awaited the big visit with Santa. After a visit with Santa, youth got a candy cane, a balloon, and were allowed to pick a present. All left the Recreation Facility with a smile. More than 700 community members attended.

Have a very Merry Christmas from Oneida Recreation!



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

Children gathered at the Oneida Community Center on the morning of December 9 to have breakfast with Santa. Children who sat on Santa's lap, were each given a gift and the entire family was treated to breakfast.

Season's Greetings

From the staff…



Donny, Jenny, Marcus, Zack and Olivia

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In Loving Memory of...

Bryan McLester



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What I think about my Dad....
There was something about
my dad's smile...
He was my friend. He was a
good Dad and a good Papa.
We liked to talk about baseball.
I miss him a lot and I love him
very much!

By Theresa Jordan

From Page 1A/*Pride Monument reconnects to the past*



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Faces are reflected in the black granite as people read the inscription detailing the beginnings of football in the Green Bay area and the contribution made by Oneida players.

grandson and namesake pointed out his family's patriarch from a group photo of the 1884 Carlisle football team etched into the granite.

"Bottom row, next to the football," said Metoxen. "I think it's beautiful, I've never seen nothing like this before."

The Pride Monument is dedicated to the town team and semi-pro era from 1895 to 1918 that laid the foundation for the Green Bay Packer organization to come. It was during that time when young Oneida men returning from the Carlisle Boarding School in Carlisle, Pennsylvania were recruited to play on local town teams because of their experience playing football out east.

Young men like Metoxen and Roland Christjohn felt a connection with their ancestors through a mutual love of football.

"I think (the monument's) a good thing for Oneida people, because it represents for us. It shows us how we started something back in the day, and how much it improved now, and we're still keeping our relations going by still playing football ... it's in my veins," said Christjohn who is a descendant of John Webster, and played on the Oneida Nation High School football team.

However, the monument brought up some sorrowful memories as well. Loraine Redhail related the story of her grandfather Thomas Skenandore, the first football player in Green Bay to be paid for his skills. Skenandore's ear was injured during a game and became gangrenous.

"He got hurt playing, lost his ear, from what I hear, they took his land and his cattle ... to pay for that surgery," said Redhail. Skenandore eventually died from his injury.

Yet, Redhail enjoyed the monument and the chance to learn about her grandfather's accomplishments.

"Our dad never spoke about him, we never knew about him,." she said. "(The monument) was great, it was a really beautiful thing."

The Pride Monument is one of 11 Era Monuments dedicated to a span of time of the Green Bay Packer organization.

A Player Monument honoring Packer legend Tony Canadeo will be unveiled in front of the Saranac Glove Factory on Lombardi Avenue on Thursday, December 21 at 3:00pm.

Stevens Point will be site for Statewide Wisconsin Local Food Summit in January

On January 4th, farmers, farm group leaders, nonprofit advocates, educators, and others will gather to share information on efforts around the state to expand Wisconsin's local food markets.

Wisconsin is a leader in local food innovations with a large and growing number of farmers markets and Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) farms. Building on these successes, a number of initiatives around the state are attempting to expand local food markets by increasing institutional purchasing of Wisconsin grown products. From schools to hospitals, farmers and others are connecting with institutional buyers to expand their markets. These efforts and other innovations, including farmer-owned produce auctions, community kitchens, and marketing campaigns, will be discussed at the Wisconsin Local Food Summit.

If you are a part of a local food effort, the Summit will offer an excellent opportunity to share your experiences and learn from others around the state. Brian Halweil of the WorldWatch Institute and author of "Eat Here: Reclaiming Homegrown Pleasures in a Global Supermarket" is the keynote speaker. Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection will be speaking during the lunch which will feature locally grown foods.

The Summit will take place in Stevens Point on January 4th. To request a brochure or information about the conference, please contact Jane Hansen, 715-339-2555, jane.hansen@ces.uwex.edu or Rose Skora, 262-857-1948, rose.skora@ces.uwex.edu.

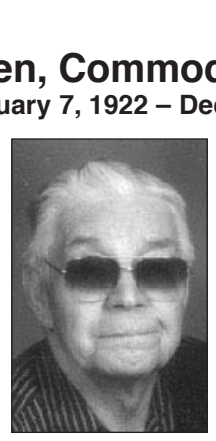
Registration is $30 if received by December 11th and $40 after that date. For a listing of some of the Wisconsin local food projects and a link to the registration brochure, please go to: http://aic.uwex.edu/local-food.cfm

The Wisconsin Local Food Summit is supported in part from a USDA Agriculture and Entrepreneur Education Grant, UW Cooperative Extension and a variety of organizations including the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Michael Fields Agricultural Institute, etc.

Passing On...

Metoxen, Commodore 'Terrible'

February 7, 1922 – December 8, 2006



Commodore "Terrible" Metoxen, 84, Oneida, was called home on Friday evening, December 8, 2006. The son of the late Edward and Agnes (Skenandore) Metoxen was born Feb. 7, 1922, in Green Bay. He married the former Lorraine Hill and the couple was married 60 years. Commodore served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He enjoyed playing dartball in the church league and hunting in his younger years. Mr. Metoxen worked in the Oneida area for many years and was a dedicated member of the Oneida United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Lorraine; two daughters, Caroline Hill and Sandra (Bernard) Hawpetoss; one son, Bernard Metoxen; sixteen grandchildren; fifty great-grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren; two sisters, Virginia Skenandore, Dorothy Denruyter; two brothers, Earl Metoxen and Lyndahl Metoxen.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers and sisters; Josephine, Samantha, Elda, Delia, Kaiser and Raymond.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, December 12, 2006 at the Oneida Methodist Church, Freedom Road. Rev. Julio A. Alvarado officiated with burial in the church cemetery with graveside services by the Oneida VFW Post.

Ryan Funeral Home, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Metoxen family.

Summers, Amanda

July 13, 1924 – December 10, 2006



Amanda Summers, 82, of Oneida, died late Sunday evening, December 10, 2006, surrounded by her family, at a local hospital. The daughter of the late Milton and Mildred (Elm) Summers was born July 13, 1924 in Oneida. In her early years, she was employed as a caregiver in Arizona, and a nurses aide in California, Oneida and Green Bay. During WWII, she worked in Baraboo helping make gun powder for the war. Mandy was a foster grandparent for over thirteen years. She enjoyed playing bingo and going shopping. But she most loved the time she got to spend with her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and being a Foster Grandparent at Turtle School.

Survivors include her two children, Jan (James) Skenandore, Tom (Rosemary) Chetney, of New Jersey, four grandchildren, Michelle Foote, Patrick Foote, Thomas Chetney, Jr., and Grace Chetney, three great-grandchildren, Jamey Summers, Amanda Four Souls and Jasmine Thompson. She is also survived by her brothers and sisters, Ella Sauer, Rita Summers, Arvilla (Oliver) Parsons, Noel Cleven, Jan (Gene) Frion, Lou Ann Green, Milton G. Summers, Lynn (Claire) Summers, Phillip S. (Theresa) Summers, 28 nieces and nephews, and many great nieces and nephews and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Milton and Mildred, and two sisters, Lavina Metoxen, and Emma Schultz.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, December 14, 2006 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Freedom Road, Oneida, WI. Branch President Kevin Cornelius, officiated with burial in Mormon Cemetery, Oneida. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Summers family. The family extends a special thank you to the Staff at St. Mary's Third Floor, especially Diane and Dr. Tucker.

Local

expe- BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

Storyteller Debra Morningstar

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

Telling stories and tall tales has been a way of life for Debra Morningstar ever since she was a young child. Her mother used to call her a teller of tall tales to her friends and family and who would have guessed then that her life would come full circle and Morningstar would end up doing the same thing for a living that she began all those years ago, storytelling.

Morningstar has been telling stories professionally for the past 19 years, but it's only in the past five years that she's been doing it as her sole source of income.

Morningstar began storytelling in the classrooms of her children's school. After her first venture she was asked to return the following year, but didn't feel ready to handle the load herself..

"At that point I didn't feel equipped or qualified to tell stories, so I called my friend Brian Doxtator. I said, 'Brian, I don't want to tell these stories, you come and tell these stories, the children would like to hear you,'" Morningstar said.

After Doxtator helped Morningstar out a few times it became apparent to Morningstar that her friend was not going to be there for her all the time and she began to build the confidence she needed to succeed as a professional storyteller.

She began to venture from telling stories in classrooms to conferences and finally began to get paid for her efforts.



Photo courtesy of Debra Morningstar

Debra Morningstar delivers traditional stories to audiences all across the mid-west. Her stories are funny and educational and told in a manner that audiences of all ages will find engaging.

Morningstar used her new riences and time to develop a workshop aimed at helping native people express their emotions and healing.

"I developed a workshop that has to do with stories called the Indian Story Stick. The reason I came up with that was because I 've found that the Native people have difficulty expressing themselves," Morningstar said. "I know that we respond differently to healing and to treatment than non-Indians."

Morningstar credits her father for her desire to advocate for Native Americans.

"I was raised away from my Indian family and back when I was in my mid to late 20's I was finally reunited with my Oneida family. Shortly after I met (my father) he passed away from alcoholism. I knew the only way I was going to honor my dad, his life and the way he died was to honor was just to live a good life myself," She said.

At this point, she took a professional approach and developed a business plan with her husband Wayne Westenberger.

"What I did was Got a webmaster and got a website going, launched a business plan, did a lot of research, and joined state and national story telling organizations and groups," Morningstar said.

After a bit of marketing effort in the way of direct mailings, Morningstar is, on average, doing four programs a week and traveling all over the mid-west

"My next tour, called 'A Winter Time of Telling', is scheduled for the end of January. I'll be in Chicago for 10 days at the Newberry Library of Chicago," Morningstar said.

Mornigstar also will be beginning work shortly on a CD collection of stories called "Tales From the Lodge."

"It's going to be geared for young children from ages 5-9 and it's a collection of traditional stories of Iroquois, the Cherokee, Cheyenne, Ojibwa. None of them belong to me, just retold by me," she said.

Morningstar truly believes that her stories are more than just culturally enriching, but also morally and socially.

"I know that if our kids were learning these stories and hearing these stories and repeating these teachings, participating in ceremonies, they wouldn't have to pick up that bottle or pick up those drugs or pick up those weapons," she said.

For more information on Debra Morningstar you can go to:
www.debramorningstar.com.

Retirement plan offers benefits now and in future

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Submitted by Diane Zubella
Bay Bank

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In this example, the federal tax shown is representative of a single filer in the 25% tax bracket making $50,000 per year. Exemptions, itemized deductions, and state taxes are not reflected.

Setting short-term goals can help you meet your long-term goal.

One of the most challenging aspects of saving for retirement is the fact that it's such a distant goal. Time is critical when it comes to important long-term goals like retirement, and the decisions you make today will have a significant impact down the road. One way to approach saving for retirement is to set a series of short-term goals for yourself, goals you can meet. I can help you set up a plan and offer all the tools and resources you need to make it happen, but taking the first step is up to you.

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Calendar

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Happy Holidays

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Raised Beadwork Classes
WHEN: Various
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$50 per class, includes all of the supplies. Enrollment limited to 10. Register at the store. January 12–13, Moccasins; February 16-17, Small Purse; March 16–17, Checkbook cover or Photo Album. FMI call **920-499-7875.**

Jan./Feb.

Cook, Energize & Move the Oneida Way
WHEN: January 25 or February 7
TIME: 5–7 PM
PLACE: Oneida Turtle School Home Ec. Room.
*** To register call Diana Peterson at 869-4539 ***
Limit 14 families per class. **MUST Pre-Register.**

February

13th Annual All Indian Bowling Tournament
WHEN: February 23-25
TIME: Various
PLACE: Lakeshore Bowling Lanes, Shawano, WI
Five person team event with $100 team fee. There is an optional $5 individual Hi-game/Hi-series. 100% payout. Contact Lakeshore Lanes 715-526-9300 to register.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Community Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there! FMI, please contact: Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682.**

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Legislative Review

Letters...

Miss Oneida

Hello Everyone!



Iris Metoxen

Thus far as Miss Oneida, I've had the opportunity and the great pleasure of meeting the Business Committee and attending the following events: The Walk of Legends, Faith in Action Family Picnic, Culture Days @ the Oneida Museum, Oneida's 4th of July Parade, Oneida's Annual Pow-Wow, Get to Know the Oneidas' commercial shoot, Relay for Life, Green Bay Packer Family Fun Night, Artstreet, Indian SummerFest, The UW Oshkosh Student Pow-Wow, Tsyunhehkwa's Harvest Days, The Three Sisters Pow-Wow, The Green Bay Holiday Parade, and the Veteran's Pow-Wow. I will be attending the Annual Sobriety Pow-Wow on December. 31st as well.

As a freshman at UW Oshkosh, I was able to take my first steps toward my platform: Education against drunk driving. I was glad to learn that many of my acquaintances were willing to agree that if they had any drinks they would not drive anywhere. They agreed to always call for a ride, or an escort in walking, no matter the time. As another alternative, the agree to ask to spend the night at the house of the party if all else fails. There are quite a few of us that they have called, and we have always been there. In the morning they have always said thank you in appreciation to us being there looking out for them. I hope that everyone is able to set up an agreement with friends to look out for one another. It's not hard and everyone is capable of doing it. Some time in the near future I hope to still do a presentation on how drunk driving has personally effected my life.

Happy Holidays to all, and I hope to see a good turnout at the Sobriety Pow-Wow this year to welcome new beginnings and bring in the new year in a positive way!

Sincerely,
Iris Metoxen
Miss Oneida 2006-2007

Jr. Miss Oneida

Sheku,

My name is Racheal Ninham. I'm sure most of you have heard of me, but for all of those who haven't heard, I am the reigning Jr.Miss Oneida 2006-2007. I attend the Oneida Nation High School where I am a Junior, and it's going just great! Would like to take this time to give thumbs up to the ONHS teachers!

Lately I have been quite busy attending very exciting events such as the Three Sisters Powwow, the Green Bay parade which was a great experience and not so cold (yes I was posing), the Oneida Nation Coalition on Aging, and I had done a photo shoot for the Krakow, Mill Center, Oneida and Pulaski phone-book which should have been distributed by now.



Racheal Ninham

I am planning to attend the Gathering of the Nations powwow in New Mexico which Im very excited for. I will be focusing on doing many fundraising efforts so watch for those. Your help in getting me to the Gathering of Nations will be greatly appreciated.

In closing, I have shared with you just some of the events I have attended as Jr. Miss Oneida. I'm anxious to attend many more along with my other reigning friends Miss Oneida Iris Metoxen and Lil Miss Oneida Tianna Hackett.

Yaw^ko,
Racheal Ninham
Jr.Miss Oneida 2006-2007

Megwetch...

On behalf of the People of the Bad River reservation, I'd like to take this opportunity to extend my deepest appreciation to the Oneida Business Committee for their efforts to assist my tribe a few months back. Elders and community members were unable to receive medical supplies when our health center was gutted in a fire. My family was also personally affected by this tragedy. My brother and sister are both handicapped and depended on the health center for all of their medication needs. Your swift response to the needs of a neighboring native community did not go unnoticed within our family. We appreciate all you have done for everyone in the community.

Megwetch,
Linda La Grew
A proud member of the
Bad River Chippewa and
NHC Custodian

With Sincere Appreciation

Dear Editor:

Thanks so much for reporting on the American Indian Center of the Fox

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Letters...

Legislative Update

Happy Holidays:

I would like to focus this article on issues that my office has been dealing with regarding economical concerns. The General Tribal Council has expressed its desire to expand the growth of the Oneida Nation by creating a tribal economy. The GTC has set policy through motions and resolutions that require the organization to create a commerce for the Nation.

The Tribal organization has responded to some of these directives in the following ways:

The Oneida Indian Preference Law requires Oneida Enrolled members to be included when the Tribal departments let out bids and do employment hiring. The Indian Preference law is similar to the Federal Government's "Buy Indian Act" and the State of Wisconsin's Minority Business Procurement Policy, where Native Americans and minorities are given equal opportunity to bid on contracts and services for the governmental agencies. This is an issue of the Indian Preference Law that requires specific attention.

I am reviewing the concerns identified by the Indian Preference Office and the Human Resources Dept. regarding labor issues and the development of an apprenticeship program. The intent of the Oneida Indian Preference Law was to provide an instrument that allows tribal entrepreneurs equal opportunity to do business with the Tribe. The mechanism that is missing is the management and oversight to effectively enforce the law.



Councilwoman
Trish King

It is my intent to reintroduce policy by creating a separate law that addresses specifically the regulations to require the Tribal organizational departments to seek a specific percentage of our gross contract acquisitions for those products and services offered by Oneida entrepreneurs. With clear policy and regulation in place, oversight can be easily attained. Hopefully a draft "Buy Oneida Law" will be introduced to the Legislative Operating Committee for consideration at the beginning of our next session (late January 2007).

Labor standards and policies are also important as we work toward creating new a business industry and/or improving our current enterprises, corporations and service contracts. Continual work on the policy development of a Labor Code is being taken up by my office. Labor standards will be addressed through a rule making process that addresses Tribal Labor policy. It is my intention to introduce a draft labor code to the legislative Operating Committee by the end of January or early February.

In previous articles I relayed information regarding a program called the "Mentor/Protege Program." This program is organized through the federal Small Business Association. The purpose is to entice large corporations to mentor minority businesses through partnerships. The corporation receives tax incentives from the Federal Government for their participation. The entrepreneur receives business success. I would like to see Oneida take on this same philosophy. In order to see Oneida take part in this, we need to revive our vision for the future, reinstate policy and develop enforcement mechanisms that guide the organization. Most importantly, we must be willing to work with our own people.

I have also relayed information regarding the development of the Commerce Team. The team has been working diligently for over a year, designing the purpose, context and regulations for a Commerce Division. The goal of the team is to have a proposal ready for implementation by October 2007.

The above issues are only some of the concerns needing to be addressed in regard to enhancing our tribal economy. Other issues such as the needs for increased housing, jobs, community services, environment, and development are on the radar for the Business Committee to address.

In order for the Nation to be successful in these areas, clear policy direction is critical. Hopefully this policy change will better reflect the intentions of the government to enhance the tribal economy as directed by GTC. If we can see the benefits of working together to reach a common goal of enhancing the quality of life for our community, we will truly be a strong and successful Nation.

Have a Happy and Safe Holiday Season.

The Laws and Regulations Law –The New APA

Since 1991, the Administrative Procedures Act (APA) has governed how Tribal laws are adopted and how administrative hearings are conducted. However, the current APA never achieved the full promise of a true administrative procedures act whereby rule making would occur at lower levels of government. Simply put, not every aspect of public policy needs to be legislated by the General Tribal Council or the Oneida Business Committee. There are numerous agency level policy calls which are best administrated at the agency level.

The proposed Laws and Regulations law represents the next step in the development of our administration of Tribal policy. The current APA would be replaced with a new law which would include a streamlined law making process and include a new administrative rules capability.

The proposed Laws and Regulations law is comprised of 3 parts:

- Law making
- Administrative rule making
- Administrative hearings

After many years of development, I am very excited to announce that the Laws and Regulations law (the Proposal) will soon have a public hearing. I anticipate that occurring next spring.

Law making

The first part of the Proposal governs how laws are adopted. Under the Proposal, laws are defined as "a code, act, statute, ordinance, or policy adopted by the General Tribal Council or Oneida Business Committee." Examples of laws are: the Hunting Fishing and Trapping Ordinance and the Per Capita Ordinance. Any Tribal member or Tribal employee may make a request for a proposed law or an amendment.

Another important reform under this section is the requirement of a legislative analysis and a fiscal estimate occur before the Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) will consider a proposed law or amendment. All too often there is not an official estimate of how much a proposed law or amendment would cost, but under the Proposal any proposed law or amendment making an appropriation and any proposed law or amendment increasing or decreasing existing appropriations would carry a fiscal estimate which would estimate the total annual cost. Also worth noting is these estimations and analysis will be open for public consumption.



Councilman
Vince DelaRosa

It is important to note that the General Tribal Council and the Oneida Business Committee would retain the **sole** authority to adopt laws. Administrative rules, as explained in the next part of this part of this report, would be promulgated by specifically identified Tribal entities.

Rule making

The next part of the law governs the adoption of administrative rules, which are defined as "a regulation, which has the effect of law and which is issued by an agency to implement, interpret or make specific legislation enforced or administered by the agency or to govern the organization or procedure of the agency. A rule does not include statements concerning internal management of an area."

An example of an administrative rule is, hypothetically, the Environmental Resources Board passing a regulation establishing the dates for various hunting seasons, or establishing bag limits.

Under the rule making process, only those Tribal entities which are expressly authorized, would be allowed to promulgate rules. Agencies are required to provide notice and hold a public hearing for a proposed rule. The LOC would have oversight of the rule making process with the Oneida Business Committee being able to review a proposed rule if the LOC and the entity cannot agree on the promulgation of a particular rule.

A rule would be effective once a notice and summary are published in the Tribal newspaper. Attached is a flow chart which illustrates how rule making would look.

Administrative Hearings

Lastly, the Proposal includes an administrative hearing process which is very similar to that found under the current APA. Under this section, readers will find the process governing the Oneida Appeals Commission, the Personnel Commission and other entities which conduct hearings.

In closing

Passage of the Laws and Regulations law will be a milestone event for the Tribe and I look forward to hearing your comments at the public hearings which will be held in the very near future.

Take care and I hope you have a nice holiday season.

Attention!

Oneida Graphic Artists

Oneida Artists sought to create Oneida Balanced Score card logo

The National Balanced Scorecard Communications Team
is sponsoring a logo contest for enrolled Oneida Tribal Members.

Prize money... $400 for first and $200 for second place.

The theme for the logo...

"A nation of strong families built on tsi? Niyukwaliho t^ (our ways) and a strong economy"

Logo must be...Full color with ability to duplicate in black & white.

Deadline...Friday, December 29th
(Winning entries will be selected by January 8, 2007)

For more information and/or to submit your entry, please contact Phil Wisneski at pwisnesk@oneidanation.org or Pete King III at pking4@oneidanation.org

Oneida Business Committee
Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting
November 22, 2006
Business Committee Conference Room
Present: Gerald Danforth–Chair, Kathy Hughes–Vice Chair, Patty Hoeft–Secretary, Trish King–Council member, Paul Ninham–Council member, Vince DelaRosa–Council member, Melinda J. Danforth–Council member, and Edward Delgado–Council member.
Excused: Mercie Danforth–Treasurer
Others Present: Barbara Metoxen, Pre Leverance, Linda Torres, Brenda John, Norma Flauger, Barb Dickinson, Geraldine Danforth, Wanda Diemel, Debbie Thundercloud, Peril Huff, Janice Hirth, Pamela LaBarge, Bill Gollnick.
Opening Prayer: Forrest Brooks
Special Recognitions: Tribal Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Program chosen as model program by the Native Wellness Institute – Administered by Patty Hoeft.

1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth

2. Oath of Office–None

3. Approval of the Agenda
a. Additions
b. Deletions
c. Moves
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the agenda with the following deferrals: Reports: a, b, c, d, Follow Up Reports: 2, 3, 4, Request: 2, LOC Minutes, Planning Minutes, Executive Staff Minutes, Legislative Affairs items 1, 2, 3, 4 and Executive Session Old Business #1 seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Minutes to be Approved
Regular Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2006.
Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the November 8, 2006 Minutes, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Tabled Business–None

6. Reports
a. Bay Bank (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov) Bill Menacher – 2nd Meeting of the Month. Submitted. **Deferred.**
b. Oneida Nation Electronics (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov) Jeff House–2nd Meeting of the Month. Submitted. **Deferred.**
c. Environmental Resource Board (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov) Ted Hawk – 2nd Meeting of the Month. Submitted. **Deferred.**
d. Oneida Personnel Commission (Quarterly: Feb/May/Aug/Nov) Brenda Skenandore – 2nd Meeting of the Month. Submitted. **Deferred.**

7. Travel Reports
1. Patty Hoeft RE: Democratic National Convention, August 18–19, 2006
Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to accept the Democratic National Convention Travel Report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings
1. General Manager RE: Monthly Health Center Update
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes, to accept the Monthly Health Center Update and change reporting date to quarterly, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Chief Counsel RE: Review of Fee to Trust MOU and any recommended changes.

Excerpt from November 8, 2006: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Fee to Trust Consortium travel report and direct the Law Office to review the draft MOU and recommend any changes to the Oneida Business Committee, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously. **Deferred.**

3. Chief of Staff RE: Specific recommendations regarding dissolution of O.N.E.
Excerpt from November 8, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Chief of Staff to bring back specific recommendation regarding dissolution of Oneida Nation Electronics (O.N.E.) Charter, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously. **Deferred.**

4. General Manager RE: Print Shop Recommendations
Excerpt from November 8, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Print Shop recommendation to the next Oneida Business Committee meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously. **Deferred.**

9. New Business:
a. Resolutions
1. Melinda J. Danforth RE: Adopt resolution 11-22-06-A with Melinda J. Danforth as ITMA Official Representative and Paul Ninham as Alternate
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to adopt resolution 11-22-06-A, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried Unanimously.

b. Requests
1. Patty Hoeft RE: Post One Vacant Position for the Oneida Personnel Commission
Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to post one vacancy on the Personnel Commission, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft RE: Oneida Food Pantry Shortage Plan. **Deferred.**

c. Travel Requests
1. Patty Hoeft RE: Great Lakes Governor's Conservation Committee Meeting - November 28 – 29, 2006
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the travel request for the Great Lakes Governor's Conservation Committee Meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft RE: Retro approval for Governor Doyle Fundraiser Event, Milwaukee, WI - November 3, 2006
Action: Motion by Trish King to retro approve the travel request, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Ed Delgado RE: Research Study on Administration of Justice in Indian Country, December 5-6, 2006
Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the travel request for Research Study on Administration of Justice in Indian Country, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Ed Delgado RE: 10th National Indian Nations Conference: Justice for Victims of Crime December 6-9, 2006
Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the travel request for the 10th Nation Indian Nation Conference Justice for Victims of Crime, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Paul Ninham Melinda Danforth
RE: Tribal Leaders Forum – The 2006 Mid-Term Elections and Indian Country, January 8 & 9, 2007

Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the travel request for the Tribal Leaders Forum - The 2006 Mid-Term Elections and Indian Country, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Finance Committee–None
11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)
For Approval: LOC Minutes of October 9, 2006. **Deferred**.

12. Treasurer's Report – None
13. Oneida Business Committee Planning
1. Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2006. **Deferred**.

14. Executive Staff Meeting
1. Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2006. **Deferred**.

15. Legislative Affairs Update
1. Comments on the I.R.S. Proposed Rulemaking Regarding the "Essential Governmental Function" Test for Tribes Offering Tax-Exempt Bonds – **Retro Approval. Deferred.**
2. November Mid - Term Elections – Impact on Congress–**FYI Deferred.**
3. Letter - Re-establish House Committee on Indian Affairs – **Approve. Deferred.**
4. Sate Budget Presentation (Verbal Update) – **FYI Deferred.**

16. Executive Session
a. Tabled Business – None
b. Old Business
1. Vince DelaRosa RE: Gaming General Manager Contract
Excerpt from November 8, 2006: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to defer the Gaming General Manager Contract for two weeks for technical corrections, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously. **Deferred.**

c. New Business
1. Mercie Danforth RE: Request Approval of U.S. Interior – Indirect Cost Negotiation Agreement FY 2005-2007
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the U.S. Interior - Indirect Cost Negotiation Agreement for FY 2005-2007, seconded Paul Ninham. Motion carried Unanimously.

d. Legislative Affairs Update–None

e. Attorney Brief
1. Approve to filing Hobart Litigation
Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the filing on the Hobart matter in federal court, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Letter of Engagement – Dorsey & Whitney
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Dorsey & Whitney Letter of Engagement to represent the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, seconded Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

f. Audit Committee–None
g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority (1st meeting of the month)–None
h. Seven Generation Corporation Update (1st and 2nd meeting of the month)–None

Recess/Adjourn
Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to adjourn, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on December 6, 2006.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Next Regular Business Committee Meeting…Has been cancelled!

Motion by Patty Hoeft to cancel the January 3, 2007 Regular Business Committee meeting to allow Business Committee members to attend the inaugural events in Washington, DC, Seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried.

Letters...

Valley's holiday dilemma (the donated gifts earmarked for distribution at our Christmas party were stolen from us) in your December 7, 2006 edition of the Kalihwisaks. As a result of the coverage you provided, the response from your readers, and an overwhelmingly generous donation from the Oneida Nation (Chairman Gerald Danforth gifted AIC-FV with a $1000 check on December 6, 2006) our Christmas party and holiday gift drive turned out to be an amazing success!

A number of Oneida Tribal members showed their support and demonstrated their good hearts in our time of need via phone calls, emails, cards and financial contributions. We are happy to report that quite a few Oneidas attended our Christmas party. Many Oneida families and children (along with numerous other Wisconsin Tribal Peoples) residing in the Fox Valley received gifts as a result of the Oneida Nation's generosity.

In closing, we would like to wish the Kalihwisaks staff and all members of the great Oneida Nation a joyous holiday season! Be sure to stop by AIC-FV for a visit and a cup of coffee in 2007!

Yaw^ko!

Rebecca R. Edler and
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Wasteful spending on the rise

Editor

Spending (Editors note: approximately) $3,500,000 on 17.5 acres is another example of wasteful spending and new age environmentalism espoused by Oneida leaders (Editor's note: according to Oneida Tribal Attorney Rebecca Webster, the deal includes a conservation easement and the right of first refusal on an additional 25.68 acres). Saving fish and recycling tin cans makes as much sense to me as global warming. Buying back the reservation is also senseless, when we have a tremendous demand for affordable housing for tribal members. We are stingy with giving people land leases, even though we have vacant lands that aren't being used for anything. We allocate $9,000,000 for land purchases, and declare a moratorium on purchasing residential properties. Why don't we spend $10 million on constructing affordable housing and teach our young men who are unemployed or under-skilled a trade? That makes too much sense. Oneida leadership would rather enrich real estate developers, consultants, Balance-Scorecard Consultants and the Hall of Fame Legends Park to glorify NFL Millionaires.

I've tried to get information on all of the above mentioned expenditures from our leaders, but I get denied access to financial information. I've been told that the information I'm requesting is confidential, proprietary, or the tribal lawyers won't allow the release of information. The Oneida government is a government of secrecy, not to mention wastefulness. Our leaders are flying, hobknobbing around the world to attend a conference on food sovereignty in Italy, awarding casino consultants multi-million dollar contracts that run from one FY to another, wasting millions on pursuit of the pie in the sky NY land claims. (Give us a casino and we will settle).

As a GTC member, I would like to see a $10,000 per capita for each tribal member before more money is squandered by tribal leaders, bureaucrats, and lawyers. Give us a $10,000 per capita and the tribal leaders can pay themselves their large salaries and hobnob around the world, at least we'll get something out of it.

The deceitfulness and the hypocrisy of the Hobart transaction is in the 7th generation philosophy spoken by the Oneida leaders who ignore the widows, the fatherless, and the poor because they do not fall within the tribes income guidelines.

John Powless

CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE 2006
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PURCELL'S LOUNGE CELEBRATION PARTY
Party with Spin – includes party favors and midnight champagne toast with Hors d'oeuvers.
$15 per person cover charge

PINE TREE GRILL'S NEW YEAR'S EVE SPECIAL
All Special Menu dinners include a Three Green Salad and complimentary entrance to Purcell's Lounge Celebration Party.
Selection of Special menu includes:
~ Crab Stuffed Shrimp
~ Peppered Ribeye
~ Filet and Shrimp Diablo

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All-you-care to eat featuring Chef-carved Prime Rib. Includes glass of House Champagne.
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State/National

Health Center Responds to Concerns

Submitted by Patricia Kohlman
Administrative Assistant IV - Oneida Community Health Center

Recently the Oneida Community Health Center received comments through the suggestion box located in the health center lobby from concerned community members regarding the "After Hours On-Call" article which we would like to respond to. The article which the comments referred to was recently published in the Kalihwisaks.

The community members raised some concern with the safety and reasoning behind having the clinic Registered Nurses work a full day and then be expected to be on-call for after hour services. To help the community understand why nursing provides these services, we want to give the community some background information into how and why nursing began after hours on-call services.

In 1984, the Health Center experienced a severe shortage of providers. Administration and the Clinic Nursing Director at that time looked into the possibility of continuing to provide medical services for after hours care with the limited number of provider staff that we had within the medical clinic and still be able to provide quality health care during regular clinic hours. Several options were explored with providers in the Green Bay community and none of the physicians in Green Bay were willing to assist with after hours call since they were not familiar with our community. The nursing staff reviewed the situation and explored the legal ramifications with the providers on staff and proposed the first After - hours call service available within the Green Bay area which was staffed by the clinical staff of the Oneida Community Health Center.

A great deal of research went into the planning of the on-call program which was difficult, since there were not many resources available at the time to refer to for assistance. There was not even any clinics in the area that were providing on-call services ran totally by nurses! So, in order to provide the best care to the community, the health center decided that the doctors would provide daily clinic services along with hospital services for patients and the after hour on-call services would be provided by the nursing and mid-level providers(nurse practitioners and physicians assistants). The registered nurses and the mid-levels knew the patients, the clinic, the community, and were familiar with contract health issues. They were able to provide personalized patient education over the phone along with good continuity of care, as call backs were made and appropriate treatment per provider's guidelines were given to the patient/parent. The patients and the community voiced their satisfaction with the change and the program was implemented first on a trial basis and then as a permanent addition to the clinic services. During the first year of implementation, the after hours staff and the Contract Health staff experienced a 45% decrease in the use of the emergency room for inappropriate uses such as head lice and non-emergent care. This improvement resulted in a unit commendation from the United States Public Health Service for the on-call staff and became a model program for tribal facilities nation wide. A few years after the Oneida program began, Bellin initiated the "ASK A NURSE" service, but Oneida had already been up and running their program with great success!

By 1991, there were 3 registered nurses along with 1 physician assistant that covered after hours on-call with one physician as the back up for consultation(the on-call staff averaged 8 - 10 days on-call per month). Today, in 2006, we currently have 14 registered nurses that cover after hours on-call and two mid - level providers. (Average 2 - 3 days on-call per month). Each registered nurse who is hired for the clinic are expected to assist in after hours on-call services after approximately one year of specific triage training. As the facility has grown, so has the size of the staff! We have explored the potential to have nurses hired solely for the provision of after hours call service, however, at this time, this is not practical nor financially feasible. The administrative staff and Medical Director are currently looking at alternatives to assure the safe quality of care provided for all the health center hours!

The Oneida Community Health Center appreciates everyone's comments and we plan to continue to provide the highest quality of health care services to the Oneida community. The facility can not improve or address your concerns unless we hear from you! We hope the above information provides some of the community with a better understanding of our after hours care services and answers questions and concerns as to why we do not choose to out-source the after-hours on-call services to people that do not have an understanding of our facility and the people of this community.

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over with."

Nation spokesman Mary Emery declined to comment about the new proposal.

The nation has asked that all of its 17,370 acres in the two counties be placed into trust. Both the BIA and the U.S. Department of the Interior must approve the application, which would make the land exempt from state and local taxes and regulations.

Thursday's hearing comes two weeks after release of a BIA draft environmental impact statement on the Oneida's application. The report presented seven alternatives, ranging from placing 35,000 acres into trust to putting no land into trust.

The BIA said it did not consider among its alternatives the possibility of a negotiated settlement, listing it among a group of options it deemed "impractical, unreasonable, infeasible or too speculative to warrant analysis."

However, many local government officials have opposed the land-into-trust plan and instead are pushing for a return to the negotiating table.

"A locally negotiated settlement is the only way we will be able to address taxation issues, reduce (jurisdictional) checker-boarding and preserve the thousands of jobs that may be at stake," said state Sen. David Valesky of Oneida.

David Vickers is president of Upstate Citizens for Equality, which opposes the land-into-trust plan.

"What's at stake here is the continuing integrity of New York state," he said. If the Oneidas' land goes into trust, it's impossible to know what legal codes they will implement or whether they will be compatible with New York's laws, he said.

Breastfeeding class offered at OCHC

Submitted by Beth Scheelk, RD, CD, CLC
WIC/Outpatient Dietitian - Lactation Counselor

This class will discuss some of the common questions and concerns many new parents have about breastfeeding as the baby gets older. The Breastfeeding Beyond the Basics will Discuss:

- When to start using a breast-pump, if needed
- Going back to work or school
- Benefits of continuing to nurse your baby
- Common concerns with nursing an older baby
- Starting solids in a breastfed baby
- How long it is recommended to breastfeed.

Next Class: January 10, 2007, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Please Call Beth Scheelk at **869-4829 to** reserve your spot or with questions.

Enrollment Update

To: All Enrolled Tribal Members

The Oneida Enrollment Department is providing the following information to help identify the services our office provides to the Tribal Membership.

Our Department has had it's own website since May 16, 2006! This means, most of the forms you commonly request can now be downloaded at your own convenience. Please visit us at http://enrollment.oneidanation.org and share with us how you like our website.

The Enrollment Department provides many services which include but is not limited to the following;

- Tribal mailings: Kalihwi-saks (newspaper), Annual/Semi-Annual GTC booklets, GTC notices/mailings, Per Capita Notices/Forms, Burial Information
- Certification/verifications of Enrollment
- Proof of Per Capita Income
- Tribal Identification Cards
- Genealogical Record requests
- Enrollment / Relinquishment / Blood Increase requests

Deadline Information:

- November 20, 2006: Last day to submit LATE 2006 Elder Supplemental payment forms. These late Elder payments will be mailed out on November 30, 2006.
- December 7, 2006: Minor Trust Account Payment forms due for members born on or before 12/31/1988. Claimed Minor Trust payments will be mailed out around January 15, 2007.
- December 20, 2006: Last day to submit LATE 2006 Elder Supplemental payment forms. These late Elder payments will be mailed out on December 29, 2006.

Please contact our department if you have any questions about the receipt of your payment or any other form(s). 1-800-571-9902 or 920-869-2083

Office Hours:

November 2006:
- Closed November 23 & 24, 2006

December 2006:
- Closed from 8 – 9:30 AM December 21, 2006
- Closed as of noon (12:00) December 22, 2006
- Closed December 25, 2006

Reminders:

- It is the responsibility of all tribal members and/or their parents/guardians to keep their address information current.
- It is recommended for persons that who may be unable to attend to their "enrollment matters" for an undetermined amount of time (such as military personnel or incarcerated persons), to assign someone as their Power of Attorney. This practice has proven to be the most effective way to keep you and your membership records/services current.

All this information and more can be located on our website. Please visit it and share with us how you like it or how we can improve it. Yawa'ko

Elder Services offers library and store

Oneida Elderly Services is located at 2907 S Overland Road across from the Oneida Health Center. We have a variety of services for the elderly and our community. Listed here are a couple of those services:

Our Elderly Services Library is one amazing help area. We have:

- Books on many subjects in paperbacks and hard copy.
- Jig-saw puzzles
- Movie videos including health care movies
- Computers with elder log-in information
- personal reader for people with low vision available

Jean Denny is an elder on staff and available to assist in any of these areas. Feel free to come in and visit with us. Jean will be happy to help in any way that is possible. Jeans hours are Tuesday and Wednesday. 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. and Thursday 8:00 a.m.- noon.

Our Elderly Services Gift Shop is another amazing area. We would like everyone to come in, visit and buy the nicest items you can imagine. There are many Christmas articles hand-crafted by the elderly. We have wreaths, crosses, flowers, ornaments, jewelry, etc. Barb Skenandore is an elder on staff and available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. - noon.

Donations and volunteers are welcome in both of these areas. Some community members have even donated item to sell so that we can help both of these areas financially. Some donations are books and things for the library. Decorations and people to decorate are also donations examples and volunteer time examples.

Feel free to call 869-2448 and ask for either Jean or Barb for more information. Please also to check out the Elderly Services page at www.Oneidanation.org

Thank you and hope to see you all. Happy Holidays, peace and prayers.

Oneida elderly services mission: the elderly services program of the oneida nation of wisconsin is to assist our elders in maintaining an independent, healthy, productive, and quality lifestyle. To accomplish our mission, our services are rendered through love, caring, and respect for the individual by the services we provide.

NOTICE OF

CAUCUS FOR NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF ELECTION BOARD MEMBERS

Scheduled for: Monday, January 1, 2006

Business Committee Conference Room
NORBERT HILL CENTER

Note: Caucus & selection will begin immediately following the adjournment of the Annual GTC meeting scheduled for 6:00 p.m.

ONEIDA ELECTION BOARD: FOUR (4) VACANCIES

QUALIFICATIONS:
A. Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
B. Must be 21 years of age or older

PROCESS:
The Caucus will begin immediately following the GTC Annual meeting. Individuals interested in becoming a member of the Oneida Election Board must be present and nominated at the Caucus.

All individuals nominated and accepting nomination will be voted on by those GTC members present at the Caucus. The individuals receiving highest number of votes shall fill the vacant positions on the Election Board for a term of three (3) years.

Family and Friends Group

Open-ended Education/Support Group

**Get Support. Learn Skills.
Make Connections.
Get Educational Materials.**

For: Anyone who is supporting a family member or friend in substance abuse recovery, or treatment for mental health issues.

When: Mondays 3:00pm-5:00pm

Where: Oneida Behavioral Health

Please Contact: Kate Whiting **490-3714**
or
Rhonda Huhtula **490-3712**
to join.

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 7AM–2:00PM
For more information call **490-3730**

Oneida Martial Arts offers new Tuesday schedule

By Adam Brown
Martial Arts Instructor

Beginning Tuesday, January 2, 2007, Oneida Martial Arts will be offering a new Tuesday class on their schedule. Due to popular demand and large Tae Kwon Do class sizes, we will be changing things up so that we may offer more one-on-one training with the students. The new Tuesday evening schedule will be:

5:00-5:30 Mighty Ninjas
5:30-6:15 White/Yellow Belts only
6:15-7:00 Green Belt and above only.

Keep in mind this new schedule is effective on ***Tuesdays only***, the rest of the week's schedule remains the same.

Dividing the ranks up will allow the instructors to focus more on each student's individual curriculum. At 5:30, having just the **white and yellow belts** together will allow everyone to learn and practice the basic techniques in a closer, quieter atmosphere.

At 6:15, the **green belts and above** will get the more advanced training they need with less interruptions and a faster paced style.

We are hoping this schedule change-up will allow every student to advance in rank faster and more efficiently, while still keeping the "fun factor" up.

One other point to consider is that these classes are not "restricted" to specific ranks. If a higher rank student comes to the white/yellow belt class, that is ok, but the activities will be aimed at the lower rank students. Conversely, if a white belt comes to the advanced class, they must realize that the curriculum will be focused on the higher rank students.

Oneida Family Fitness Employee

Meet Kevin Schoenebeck



Submitted by Adam Brown
Oneida Family Fitness

If you've ever taken a martial arts class at Oneida Family Fitness, you've no doubt met Kevin Schoenebeck. Mr. Schoenebeck has been teaching for the Oneida Tribe for over 14 years! Here's a list of some facts about him:

- Mr. Schoenebeck is a career martial artist with a 7th Degree Black Belt
- He has been in Martial Arts 32 years
- He teaches Fitness Kickboxing, Tae Kwon Do, Eskrima, and Jujitsu, as well as Mighty Ninja's classes.
- Scheduling and coordinating the annual Oneida Tae Kwon do tournament held at the Turtle school is also his duty.
- Kevin strives to work with other Tribal Departments to implement self defense classes.
- He enjoys teaching students of all ages, and attends many tournaments and martial art seminars throughout the U.S. to continue to upgrade his martial art teaching skills.
- He believes martial Arts are a great form of exercise that also teach life skills.

Kevin believes that everyone should learn how to defend themselves, just like everyone should know how to swim.

The next time you're at the Oneida Family Fitness center, take a moment and talk with Mr. Schoenebeck, he'd love to meet you!

Join the Commit To Fit Club today!

By Eric Frantz
Oneida Family Fitness Specialist

Are you looking for an extra incentive to improve your health? Oneida Family Fitness has just the thing for you! It's proven that people who exercise three to five days per week are healthier individuals. In fact, the American College of Sports Medicine recommends that you should exercise at least three to five days per week to improve your health!

Started in October 2006, Oneida Family Fitness will honor it's members that exercise an average of three to five days per week with our new "Commit to Fit Club". Prizes will include Oneida Retail Gift Cards that value from $10 to $250!

There are two ways to win gift cards. A $10 gift card will be given out every month to one male and one female OFF member with the most facility visits for the month. For every month that you average at least three to five check-ins per week, you will also be entered into the yearly drawing for a $250 Oneida Retail Gift Card based upon your average check-ins.

Every month, our members that visit an average of three to five days a week will be recognized by having their name posted on our Commit to Fit Club bulletin board. Members that make the club every month of the year will also be recognized with a Certificate of Accomplishment for their continual dedication to regular exercise and a healthy lifestyle.

To be a part of this fun and exciting incentive, you simply need to be a member at Oneida Family Fitness and exercise there an average of three to five days per week. Remember, everyone is a winner in this incentive, with the ultimate prize of being a healthier, happier person!

Oneida Family Fitness Extra…

Personal Training Available

By Stefanie Reinke
Fitness Specialist

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Keeping active during the winter

By Tina Jacobsen
Oneida Family Fitness

The cold weather is here! Winter weather can pose as an obstacle to normally active people when it is no longer easy to jump on a bike or go for a run. You're not alone; the trend toward inactivity is very common during the winter months. The following tips will help you keep the pounds off this season:

Come to Oneida Family Fitness!

Family Fitness offers a warm fitness alternative to being outside. There are several instructor led classes to take, a cardiovascular workout room, weight rooms, gymnasium, pool, and much more.

Head to the mall for a walk.

Many malls are open early for morning walkers and are a great way to get physical activity.

Commercial time is the time to MOVE!

During commercials of your favorite TV programs, get up and move around the house. Use this time to put the dishes away, straighten the living room, fold the laundry, or play with the dog.

Add vigor to your day.

Do things that you already do daily more vigorous such as:

- Make extra trips up the stairs.
- Park further away from your destination.
- Shovel the snow instead of using a snow plow.
- Turn on some music and dance while you vacuum.

Bundle Up!

Dress in layers so that you can take layers off as you get warm and add them back on when you start to cool. Remember that the goal is to stay warm without getting too sweaty. Since you lose most of your body heat from your head, wear a hat. Also, try to avoid cotton, especially as your first layer, because once cotton is wet, it stays wet. Wool or synthetics (like polypropylene) are a better option. So, don't let the winter weather keep you chilled, stay warm by bundling up and keep on moving!

Healthy Holiday Tips

By Jason Manders
Oneida Family Fitness

T'is the season for friends and family to get together for the holidays. With all the meal preparation, and party celebration, it's easy to overdo and eat too much. Here are a few tips to help make this holiday season both happy and healthy.

1. Switch from sugar filled pies to pumpkin or sweet potato which has less fat, sugar and more vitamins, minerals and flavor.
2. Keep healthy snacks – like fresh fruit – handy and mix cereals like Cheerios and Chex with raisins and pretzels for low calories pick-me-up.
3. Try oatmeal cookies instead of chocolate chips, bars, fudge or other sugar based treats. The extra fiber is filling and doesn't leave a lot of room for sweets.
4. When choosing meats, turkey is one of the leanest. Remember that white meat is leaner than dark meat, so choose a turkey or chicken breast before a leg.
5. Most vegetables contain little or no fat. It's what is added that is fattening. Instead of adding butter or sour cream to mash potatoes, add 1% milk, no fat sour cream or yogurt.
6. Angel food cake is filling and makes a great substitute for sugar filled pies and other fat filled desserts.
7. Don't go to holiday parties on an empty stomach. Before going out, choose to snack on protein like yogurt or cottage cheese. The protein will suppress an appetite and prevent overeating later.
8. Alcohol is filled with calories. If you must drink, choose light beer or wine instead of mix drinks.
9. Continue to exercise during the holidays. Taking a walk, swimming and snowshoeing are great ways to burn off those excess calories.
10. The traditional fruit cake and gingerbread cookie are low in calories along with being flavorful.

The holidays are a time for family, friends and good food. Make this year the healthiest yet.

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Registration has begun at Oneida Family Fitness…

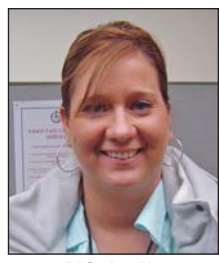
3 on 3 Basketball League

Registration for the second annual 3 on 3 basketball league at Oneida Family Fitness has begun. This league is for all ballers ages 13 years and older.

Register your team now! It's only $20.00 per team.

Registration forms can be picked up at Oneida Family Fitness or contact Jason Manders at 490-3852 or jmanders@oneidanation.org

Fitness Members *for the month of* December 2006



Michelle Klarkowski

Michelle has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness since 1998. She was first motivated to begin and maintain an exercise program because exercise made her feel good and gave her more energy. Her toughest obstacle to overcome to continue an exercise program is being a single mom and trying to make time to exercise. However, Michelle knows that she needs to stay active in order to keep up with her young son, who is full of energy.

Michelle enjoys coming to a variety of group fitness classes throughout the week. She also runs a couple days per week and lifts weights on her own once or twice a week. Her program has helped her to be able to keep weight off and increase her energy. She has also run in the Bellin Run five times.

Michelle enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because of the friends and support group she's built up by going to the group fitness classes. Besides working out at Oneida Family Fitness, Michelle enjoys spending time with her son, as well as playing volleyball and softball.

Finally, Michelle's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Surround yourself with people that are also motivated to be healthy and exercise. Finding a support group to keeping you motivated is key!"



Tony Smith, Sr.

Tony has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness since 1987. He initially began an exercise program in order to stay healthy for his family and hopefully inspire others to work out. Tony's biggest obstacle to overcome is staying committed to working out in the morning no matter how much he would rather sleep. However, his belief that God has made each of us unique and it is our responsibility to keep what he has given us in shape, helps to motivate him to work towards a healthy lifestyle.

An accomplishment that Tony made this year was his participation in the 2006 Tour De Cure at the Turtle School. He hopes this will encourage others to participate in fund raising activities and challenge themselves. This accomplishment was made possible by Tony's goal to workout at least five times a week with at least 30 minutes of cardiovascular exercise (mostly bicycle) and 20 minutes of weights in each workout session.

Tony enjoys exercising at Oneida Family Fitness because it opens up at 5:30am and he can get his exercise done early, which provides him with the extra energy to get through the day. Besides working out at Oneida Family Fitness, Tony likes spending time with his family, fishing, camping, kayaking, visiting museums, watching the stars at night, riding bike through the woods, swimming and watching movies.

Lastly, Tony's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this: "Start today with a commitment to yourself to exercise and begin today. I know how easy it is to say I will start tomorrow!"

Congratulations to both Michelle and Tony for their hard work and dedication!

Keep up the good work!

In the Spirit of the Season...

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

Approximately 25 households participated in the annual 'Christmas on the Rez' event which is coordinated by the Oneida Tourism Department.

Although there was no snow blanketing the ground, the light displays that adorned the homes of the many Oneida family participants provided the ambiance of the holiday season nonetheless.

There were two categories – Native American and Other – that were judged by a panel of three local media professionals who graciously volunteered their time.

The winning entries in the Native American category were: 1st–Maria Hinton, 2nd–Toni House, 3rd–Patrick & Lisa Madrid, 4th–Jean Webster and 5th–Rodney Hill In the 'Other' category: 1st–Andrew John, 2nd–LeAnn Schuyler, 3rd–Dan & Sherry Flauger, 4th–Darryl Moore, and 5th Barbara Reynolds.

Judging for the 5th annual event took place Thursday evening, December 14th.



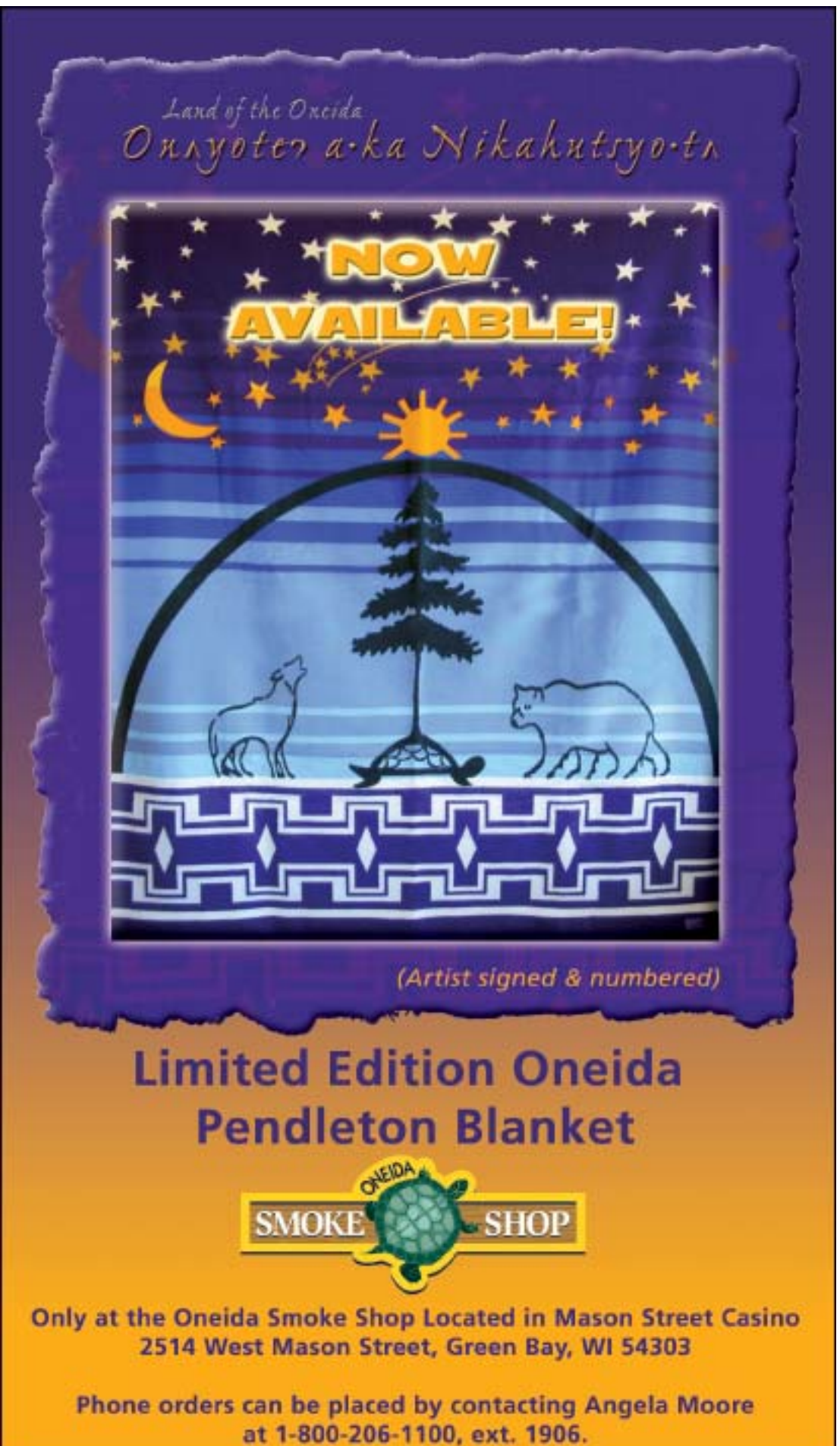
Kali photos by Yvonne Kaquatosh

Above, First place honors went to Andrew John with his kerosene 'flaming' lifesize candles among other unique props. At right, First place in the Native American category went to Maria Hinton, renowned fluent speaker of the Oneida language. Below, Charlie Brown and friends adorned the lawn of Toni Hill. Perhaps they were performing a snow dance.





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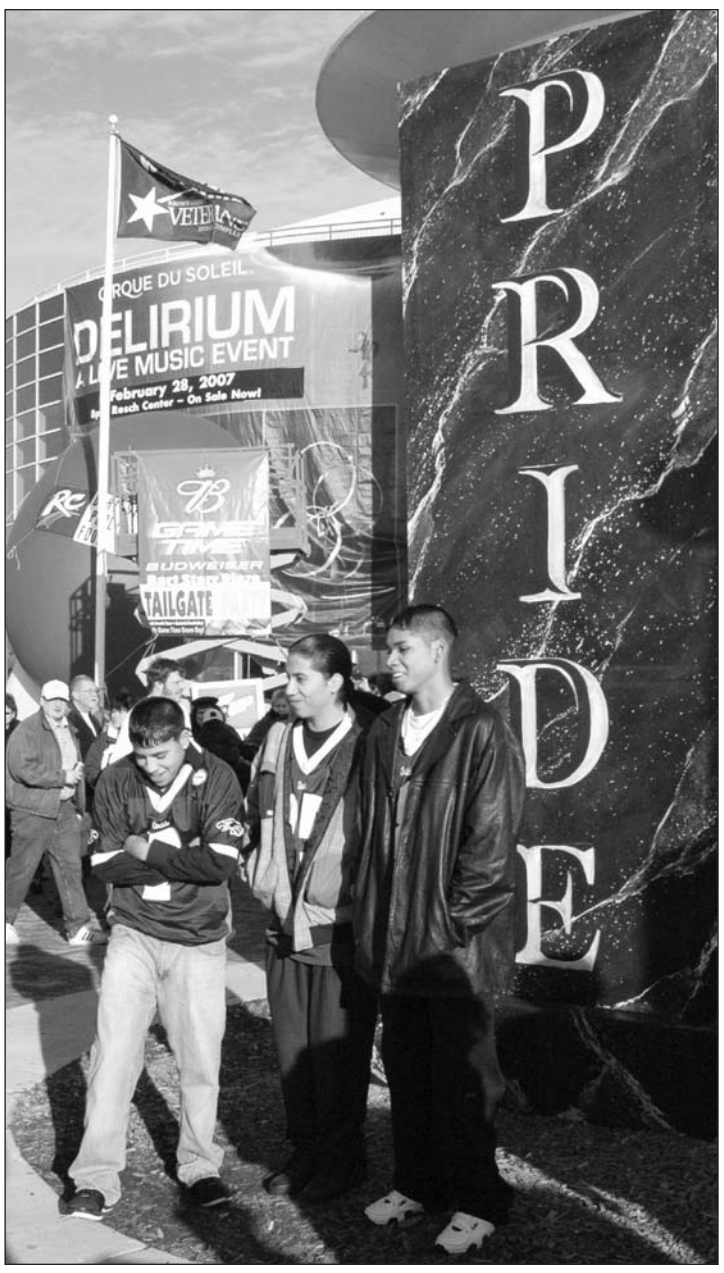
By John Christjohn
ONHS Senior

My great-uncle John Webster played for the Oneida city football team and, later, the Green Bay city team.

These city teams played mostly between 1895 and 1919 when the Packers started. These were "semi pro" teams.

I was lucky to be able to go to the "Walk of Legends" monument or "Pride" unveiling this past Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m.

Referring to the Packers and Green Bay football, Tribal Chairman, Gerald Danforth, said "our people were at the start of something great."



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski
Roland, John and Joe Christjohn pose in front of the pride monument before its unveiling on Sunday morning, December 17. All three young men played for the Thunderhawks football team and wore their team jerseys to the event.

Get the Stories Before It's Too Late

By Wendel Cornelius
ONHS freshman

On Friday, December 8, 2006, my great-grandfather, Commodore Metoxen passed on.

I didn't know him all that well, but I knew his history. He was a veteran of WWII. He was in the army from 1943-1946.

I am seeking information about his rank and where he served. I never got the chance to hear his stories about his time in the war. I just found out that he was in WWII. If I had known this before, I would have asked him about it.

An interesting thing about my great-grandfather is that he had a nickname. It was "Mr. Terrible." Lots of people wonder if that was because he was a terrible person. It wasn't. He was actually a great person. He was never mean. He got the nickname because whatever you asked him–"How's your day?" or "How are you doing?"–his answer would be "Terrible!"

According to his obituary, he "enjoyed playing dartball in the church league and hunting in his younger years."

Young people, listen. Get to know the ones you truly love, especially your grandparents, and their stories before their time is up. Their stories are probably interesting and inspirational. His life has inspired me to join the army and follow in his footsteps.



Commodore Metoxen

Choir for Oneida High

By Shaina Powless
ONHS Sophomore

ONHS students would like a Choir program. I have been helping out with this by getting signatures from students who would be interested in joining if we did have a choir here. I have gotten some signatures so far. We are hoping to get Richard Lambert for the Choir director. Richard works here at the school as a Special Education Aid. Denis Gullickson and I have worked on a letter to the school board saying why we wanted one. Some reasons: well first of all that the students actually want one.

Another reason is that the girls who were in Choir last year can not have it again this year and would like to sing again in a school choir.

Choir last year was directed by Andrea Birbilis of the elementary school. But being here at the high school, it was sort of complicated getting rides back and forth from the high school to

the Turtle then back again in an hour. So that is another reason we would like to have on here.

And the program would not only be for students who were in choir before but also for students who would like to try something new or something they had wanted to try but never was able to.

I think choir would be good because it would give the students another option for an elective credit. Also it would give the students a chance to go to competitions, and travel

for competitions with the choir.

Last year the choir and turtle school band took a trip to Chicago for a competition,

then the staff took the students of the choir and band to Six Flags Great America due to their great performance.

I think it would be fun to have a choir here at the high school.

ONHS Students to Attend Mid Winter Ceremonies

By Debbie Santiago
ONHS junior

Mid Winter Ceremonies are set for early January at the long house. At times in the past, there has been discussion about whether or not ONHS students should be attending the ceremonies. This year, the school and the long house community have been brought together through high school language and culture teacher, Sonny Hill, and students will be both attend and be transported back and forth with a bus.

I think that having a bus to bring ONHS students to the mid-winter ceremonies is a good idea. Some students do want to go to the ceremonies but don't have a ride or anyone to go with. I also think that it is good to only let the qualified students go, that is because some students might just go to get out of school when really they should be in school because they are failing or have an attendance problem.

Five ways to prevent a sports injury

By Nick Cantu
ONHS junior

ONHS athletes are back at it with winter sports well underway. Here's a "heads up" for making it through the season:

1. Wear protective gear–helmets, protective pads, and other gear.
2. Warm up before the game.
3. Know the rules.
4. Watch out for others.
5. Don't play when you're injured.

Adjustments for the ONHS Girls BB Team–An Interview with the Coach

By Twyla Danforth
ONHS Senior

The girls basketball team has to make some adjustments this year with their "big" player out and a 2-6 record. They have one more game going into the holidays.

"With Twyla out," said Head Girls Coach Cheryl Stevens, "we have to have an outside game with Debbie, Luanne, and Lois shooting, Because we don't have to enough strength down low."

Some other things the team needs to work on, said the coach, is getting the post players stronger and more confident in themselves and the guards to see more of the floor than the ball.

"We also need to work on our passes, and not be afraid to have the ball," said Stevens.

An issue this year for both the JV and Varsity team is the amount of injuries that have occurred. Both the JV and Varsity team are playing injured starters.

Given everything facing the team right now, Coach Stevens said, "It's going to be tough to make five-hundred."

A Brief History of Haskell Indian School

By Eldon Powless
ONHS Sophomore

Many ONHS graduates attend or have attended Haskell Indian Nations University. But few of us know much about the school's history. The school is located in Lawrence, Kansas.

As it turns out, it's been around for a very long time. When Haskell Indian School first opened in 1884, there were only twenty-two American Indian kids who enrolled there. It was only grades one through five.

When they officially opened under the name "United States Indian Industrial Training School," the enrollment quickly increased to over four-hundred.

Ten years later they expanded beyond elementary grades.

In 1927, high school classes were accredited by the state of Kansas. The last high school class graduated in 1965.

In 1970, Haskell offered a junior college and became "Haskell Indian Junior College."

In 1993, Haskell became "Haskell Indian Nations University."

Top Six CD's to Check Out For Christmas

By Martin Dale Stevens Jr.
ONHS sophomore

It's a mix of old and new, mostly new. But everyone of them is worth listening to.

#1. Johnny Cash...no doubt about it. This should be at the top of everybody's list. The Legend

#2. Snoop Dogg... the one and only Doggfather. The blue carpet treatment.

#3. Ice Cube... why just cause Laugh now, cry later.

#4. Al Green... to dance to when you or somebody else gets in the mood. Greatest Hits

#5. Tupac Shakur... cause he's the greatest of them all. Pac's Life

#6. Ying Yang Twins... ???? United States of Atlanta.

Packer? Hope?

By Andrew Sitting Bear
ONHS senior

The Packers are not doing very well at this point, though they did pick up a narrow win over the Lions this past Sunday.

Denis, a very well known Packer fan, said that at one point during the Jets game, even he "stopped cheering for the Packers and started rooting for his friend's pool numbers." But he didn't "boo" or leave early.

I heard Denis say, "I thought that game was terrible. It was an embarrassment!"

When I asked Denis about what should be done, he said, "It's a young team and I think next year, they're going to surprise some people. The Packer faithful are still there. Remember, from the time Lombardi left until Holmgren came, the Packers pretty much stunk. And you still couldn't get season tickets. Even now, if you put your name in for season tickets, you will have to wait thirty years to get them. Next year, they'll be better. You've got to be patient, as hard as that is."

My Scoop

What's this Christmas thing about?

By Lois Stevens
ONHS senior

HOHOHO.....Christmas is just around the corner, what are your plans? Are you excited to go to church and celebrate the birth of our lord Jesus? Or are you excited to see all the presents under the tree when you wake up? The meaning of Christmas seems to have lost it's true spirit a long time ago.

This day seems to be the most important holiday to date, but for all the wrong reasons. While it was made to appreciate the things that Jesus brought us, a lot of kids today don't even know why we celebrate it. All they know is the presents, all we all know is the presents. This time of year everyone is running around with their heads cut off, desperately trying to find presents for everyone before it's too late. It's seems that instead of finding the love for each other, we are looking for the gifts that we love. And the whole "peace on earth" thing, well that went out the door a long time ago.

Personally, it doesn't matter to me either way. I'm not Christian, I'm Oneida. My family celebrates it because it's a time when all the colleges and jobs will allow for the entire family to get together. And the gifts are a definite BONUS. After so long, this whole Christmas thing just became a natural occurrence for everyone. What sense would it make to stop now?

Education

22nd Annual Oneida Nation School System

Science Fair Winners announced

The Oneida Nation School System held their annual science fair on Thursday evening, December 14, 2006. There were over 100 student participants in grades 5-12, with 80 projects entered. Local professional community members from the Oneida area volunteered as judges. Sixty-four students from grades 5-12 were awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons. Three honorary memorial awards were given for outstanding projects. Six students will be sponsored by the Oneida Nation School System and will be competing at the National American Indian Science & Engineering Science Fair in Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 22-24, 2007. They will be competing with hundreds of other Native American students from reservations and cities nation wide.

1st Place

Name	Title
Avery King	My Space
Cody Cornelius	*Speed of a Burning Candle*
Shawntel Skenandore-Barnes	Battery Power
Muriel King	*Soft Rocks, Hard Rocks, All Rocks*
Josanna Cornelius-Daubon	The Sun Is Not Always Fun!
Cayman Berg-Morales	*Sound*
Emmitt Big Medicine	Flashlights
Aleah Jimenez	*Teeth*
Diego Metoxen	Fog
David White	*Illusions*
Jonathan Danforth & Devonte Pointer	Clay
Haley Hill	*Diaper Dillema*
Brent Huff	Balloon Bottle Blow Up
Jaylee Godfrey	*Effects of Baking Soda*
Robert Mills	Rocket Car
Maurense Beans	*Worm Poop Power*
Edward Santiago	Hovering Magic
Carl Tepiew	*Acidic Colo*
Shy House	Water Power
Izaak Jones-Mangione	*Deodorant*
Yasiman Metoxen	Why Is The Sky Blue?

2nd Place

Name	Title
Kylene Welch & Jairica Christjohn	How Clouds Form
Paul Christjohn	*Big Eruptions*
Carissa Metoxen & Eveyonna Ortega	Volcanoes
Fredrick Miller	*Splitting Water*
Devonne Skenandore	Dirty Plants
Matias Metoxen	*Crazy Coaster*
Brandon Andrews	Crazy Colors
Kalene Beechtree	*Winter Hands*
Colleen Cornelius	Spray Away
Savannah Marcus	*Bubble Bomb*
Chelsea Jorgenson	Absolute Absorbancy
Mary Powless	Diabetic Diet
Shane Skenandore	*Watch It Burn*
Jade Doxtator	Germ Invasion
Jasmin Webster	*Tidy Whites*
Dwight Hill	Cumbre Vieja Mt/Volcano
Michael Stevens	*The Future of Wisconsin's Deer Herd- Computer Simulations*

3rd Place

Name	Title
Denver Dean	Magnetic Field
Shania Stewart	*Brain Development*
Nigel Waupekenay & Matthew Powless	Crystal Gardens
Dakota Jourdan & Eddie Powless-Crouch	*Melting Away*
Sonny Jourdan & Albert King	Bubble Gum
Paige Ninham & Abalone Paprocki	*Reflex*
James Hebb	Hurricanes
Quianna Webster	*Whiter and Brighter Teeth*
Gage Robertson	Don't Break the Ice
Michael Sangiago	*Air Pressure Power*
Deonna Walking Eagle	Friend or Foe
Magenta Batiste	*War of the Germs*
Anthony Cornelius	Clean Hands
Guadalupe Martinez	*Quicker Picker-Upper*
Adrian Huff	Freezing Liquids
JaNace Christjohn	*Musical Heartbeats*
Suzy Webster	Windy Weather
Racheal Ninham	*Arsenic Contamination in 3-D*
Marquita Tebeau	Community Awareness Through Mapping

Students Eligible for Nationals

Cayman Berg Morales, Robert Mills, Eddie Santiago, Emmitt Big Medicine, David White, Jaylee Godfrey

Chuck Giordana Environmental Award: Haley Hill

Madonna Micheletz Excellence Award: Cayman Berg Morales

Amos Christjohn Culture and Language Award:
Jonathan Danforth & Devonte Pointer

Scholarship Opportunities

Roberta J. Kinzhuma Memorial

Oneida Elderly Services are delighted to announce the availability of the "Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship". This scholarship is in honor of Roberta Kinzhuma's dedication and hard work that she put forth towards obtaining her Bachelors Degree.

The Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship Fund is set up for women going back to school to further their education and for their continued efforts in academic achievement. The scholarship funds are generated from fund raising activities of the Oneida Elderly Services.

Oneida Women are encouraged to apply for the "Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship". A $300.00 scholarship will be awarded directly to an individual meeting the following criteria:

1. Must be returning to school (Freshmen are not eligible)
2. Must be single and female
3. An enrolled member of Oneida Indians of Wisconsin
4. Must have a 3.0 or B cumulative grade point average
5. Seeking a degree or certificate in an accredited college and/or technical school

Please submit an application along with short essay regarding yourself, a copy of your last semesters grades/transcripts, and a copy of your tribal ID.

Applications can be pick up at: Oneida Elderly Services, 2907 S Overland Rd, Oneida WI 54155 or Oneida Higher Education, N7210 Seminary Rd, Oneida WI 54155

Applications are due January 10th. Winner will be announced via telephone and tribal group-wise one week before the AMVETS Community Service Award Banquet. Presentation will be at the AMVETS Community Service Awards Banquet.

If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Director of Oneida Elderly Services at **869-2448**.

UW considers free tuition for those willing to stay

MILWAUKEE (AP) – A commission is considering recommending free tuition for all students in the University of Wisconsin System who agree to live and work in the state for 10 years after earning a bachelor's degree.

The commission which was created to upgrade UW's two-year college campuses is scheduled to meet Tuesday in Madison to discuss that idea along with other changes primarily geared toward improving the two-year campuses.

"We need to put some bold ideas out there," said Mark O'Connell, the commission member who made the tuition proposal.

"I have yet to find a group that does not see the benefit," said O'Connell, the Wisconsin Counties Association's executive director.

State Sen. Russ Decker, D-Schofield, who also serves on the commission, said he favors improving higher education in Wisconsin but he expressed concern about the potential cost of the free tuition idea.

"It's something you'd like to do," Decker said. "You also have to see if it's practical."

Dan Leistikow, a spokesman for Gov. Jim Doyle, said Wisconsin's chief executive was willing to consider the proposal.

"The governor's open to all kinds of ideas," Leistikow said.

Other topics under consideration by the panel are building more dormitories on two-year campuses, increasing the number of four-year degrees available and forging stronger cooperative alliances among the state's many institutions of higher education.

David Wilson, chancellor of the two-year UW Colleges and the UW Extension, assembled the group last summer.

O'Connell said he envisions the state requiring a 10-year commitment from anyone who earns a bachelor's degree in Wisconsin, or a five-year commitment in exchange for an associate's degree from a two-year college or tech school.

If a graduate decided to leave Wisconsin early, that person would receive a bill for the tuition under the proposal.

O'Connell and West Bend businessman John Torinus, who is co-chairman of the commission, said the state could fund the program by borrowing on the municipal bond market, then pay off the bonds with the increased tax revenue expected from residents in higher-paying jobs.

Torinus compared the arrangement to tax-increment financing districts, which allow local governments to borrow to build new infrastructure and then repay the debt by harnessing the increased property tax growth from the resulting real estate developments.

NAJA offers workshop for journalism students

Each year, Native students majoring in journalism are given the opportunity to get hands-on experience in producing a daily newspaper, radio or television newscasts, or a news Web site through NAJA's annual Student Projects during our national convention.

More than 30 college students are selected from a pool applicants to participate the weeklong journalism training workshop.

Participants learn basic and advanced journalism and reporting skills from Native and non-Native media professionals employed at newspaper, radio and television organizations across the United States.

Students selected for the newspaper project produce two issues of a student newspaper called Native Voice, which are printed, published and distributed at the convention site.

NAJA provides travel, housing and meals expenses, and class materials.

Application deadline:
February 23, 2007
Submit to:
NAJA–2007 Student Projects, 555 Dakota St.-Al Neuharth Media Center Vermillion SD 57069 Fax: 866.694.4264
For any questions or inquiries about student-related programs, please contact NAJA national office at 605.677.5282 or email: info@naja.com.

National Public Radio to host Fellowship in DC

NPR Fellowships for Young Journalists NPR is accepting applications for the Kroc Fellowship, which was established to identify and develop a new generation of extraordinary journalists for the public radio system. NPR is looking for a diverse pool of applicants who aspire to work in public radio. Candidates must be just completing college or graduate school or be out of school for one year or less as of Dec. 31, 2006. They do not need journalism or radio experience, but must demonstrate exceptional potential and drive. A strong interest in national and or international news, as well as a strong interest in reporting, editing, producing and the Web is encouraged. The one-year program will begin on August 20, 2007, and include a more than $37,000 stipend, plus benefits, which include paid vacation. Fellows will get rigorous, hands-on training in every aspect of public radio journalism writing, reporting, producing and editing for both radio and the Web. Kroc Fellows will work primarily at NPR headquarters in Washington, D.C., though each fellowship will include an assignment to an NPR member station. Applications must be postmarked no later than Dec. 31, 2006. Applicants must also submit: -Cover letter -Resume -Three letters of reference -A student transcript(s) -A work sample For more information and to download an application, please go to:

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Bison is a lean meat.
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Nutritional Comparisons:

Species	Fat Grams	Calories kcal	Cholesterol mg	Iron mg	Vitamin B-12 mcg
Bison	2.42	143	82	3.42	143
Beef (Choice)	10.15	219	86	2.99	219
Beef (Select)	8.09	201	86	2.99	201
Pork	9.66	212	86	1.1	212
Chicken Skinless)	7.41	190	89	1.21	190
Sockeye/ Salmon	10.97	216	87	0.55	216

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Thinking about returning to college? Informational meeting set

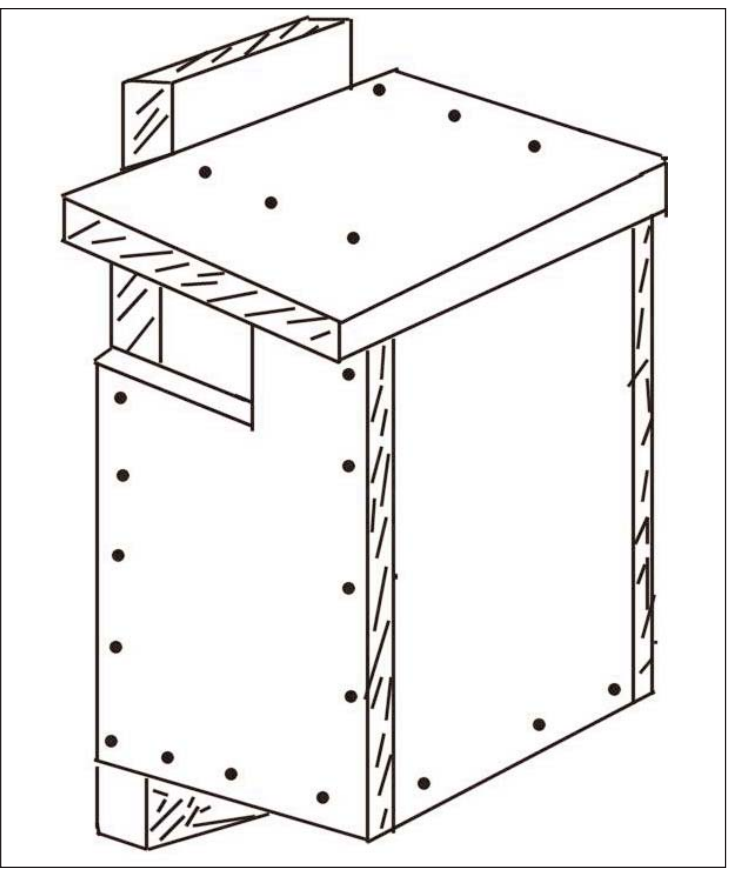
(Manitowoc, Wis.) — Thinking about going back to college? Come to an information session and find out how you can get your degree in as little as two and a half years. A Silver Lake College representative will be available on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the Oneida Community Education Center in Green Bay for a series of information sessions aimed at answering questions about the college. The next installments of the series will take place on January 11 and January 25 from 5:30 – 6:30 PM. Topics will include not only the more than two dozen undergraduate majors leading to a bachelor's degree, but also the four graduate level programs, adult accelerated programs, teacher certification and licensure offerings, on and off campus delivery options, and financial aid availability.

"This is a chance for prospective students to have one-on-one interaction with a knowledgeable counselor to find out more about the College's programs and offerings," according to Dr. George Grinde Vice President and Academic Dean at Silver Lake College.

Register online for a session near you at www.sl.edu. If you are unable to attend and would like more information on the program offerings at Silver Lake College, contact the Admissions Office at 2406 S. Alverno Rd., Manitowoc, WI 54220. Call 920/686-6175 or 1/800-236-4SLC, ext. 175. Email adm-slc@silver.sl.edu

Health/Environment

Give squirrels a home of their own



Graphic courtesy of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Use rough, unfinished wood for squirrel boxes.

By Bill Koonz
Specialist - Environmental Protection

How to manage those pesky squirrels to keep them out of the house!

Are you looking for a last minute gift for your furry friends? Squirrels are no different than we are. They will come for free food. They will also attempt to find a place to nest as close to the food source as possible. As the oak trees mature in our yards and more people feed the birds, squirrel populations increase and may become a nuisance. Squirrels dominating the bird feeder is one thing, sharing living space with them in your house is another. Wildlife are adapting to human altered habitats. These habitats are often missing ingredients such as nesting sites. By providing a home for squirrels the landowner can control where the squirrels live and enjoy their antics without fear of having to share living quarters with them.

Red and gray squirrels readily adapt to nest boxes in back yards, woodlots and park areas. Gray squirrels tend to be found in larger stands of hardwood forest while the little red squirrels are often associated with conifer trees.

A squirrel nest box is identical to a bird house, except for the location of the entrance hole. A 3-inch diameter entrance hole is placed in the upper rear portion of one side of the box. It should be centered 3 and _ inches from the top and 2 and _ inches from the back edge (you may wish to put the hole in the back of the box so the squirrel will not need to go around the box to get into it). Ventilation holes are drilled into the side opposite the entrance. Drill a hole in the bottom for drainage.

Houses should be placed in trees that are at least 10 inches in diameter. Boxes should be at least 12 feet above ground (lower if put on a garage). The entrance holes should face either east or south to be downwind from winter winds and storms. A squirrel nest box can be made more enticing to squirrels by filling it half full of dry leaves or other materials (socks, shredded newspapers, etc.). To attach the box to a tree or building, use a lag bolt and washer at both the top and bottom of the back piece. Lag bolts must be loosened occasionally to allow for tree growth. Wire should not be used because it can girdle the tree. Boxes are most heavily used in the winter, so new boxes should be set out in the fall for best results. It is not necessary to clean out squirrel nest boxes.

One or two squirrel boxes per acre in a woodland are usually sufficient to maintain a maximum squirrel population. One nest box per urban lot is more than adequate to prevent squirrels from invading houses or other buildings.

Once you have control of where your squirrels live, they will prevent you from having to worry about other squirrels. Squirrels are territorial; those you provide a home for will keep others from invading your yard.

For squirrel box pictures, plans, and prices, just go to the internet and type in squirrel box, dozens of sites will pop up!

Holiday blood drive organizers say thank you

Submitted By Dawn Krines-Platt
Health Promotions Wellness Specialist

The Blood Drive Committee and the Red Cross would like to thank the 28 blood donors who took the time out of their busy schedules to participate in the Oneida Blood Drive on Dec. 15th. Because of your donations, 78 lives can be helped or saved!

Huge thanks go to our Blood Drive Committee and volunteers:

Neva Archiquette, Maria Danforth, Barb Truttmann and Casino Maintenance staff, Michelle Mielke and the Oneida Family Fitness staff, Karen Hallada, and Dawn Krines Glatt.

Refreshments were provided by:

Brenda and Pat Buckley, Subway owners

Health Promotion, Oneida Community Health Center

Red Cross

Please mark your calendars for the next Oneida Blood Drive which will be held **Feb. 16, 2007**. The blood drive is held four times a year at Oneida Family Fitness and is coordinated by Health Promotion.

Oneida 4-H club makes Christmas blankets for Anna John Nursing Home residents

Submitted by Bill Vervort
OCIFS Coordinator

Each year the Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H club designs small presents for the residents at the Anna John Nursing Home in an effort to make Christmas a little brighter. This year thanks to the great idea of a member of the 4-H leadership, along with the generous support of Pete King; and the Wisconsin Agricultural Growth Fund, the Oneida 4-H club was able to purchase fleece and other material to make lap blankets for each of the 28 residents of the AJNH.

It was a cool November Saturday morning. The Oneida 4-H youth, along with the 4-H leaders, family and friends sat down to make the 28 lap blankets. Large fingers and small fingers measured, cut and tied the ribbons onto the fleece fabric, and before long it was lunch time. The family and friends then celebrated the progress with a little indoor picnic.

The Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H club will distribute the lap blankets to the AJNH residents before Christmas. The 4-H members would also like to wish everyone in the Oneida Community a safe and happy holiday season.



Photos courtesy of Bill Vervort



Top: The youth and leaders are diligently working to complete the needed 28 lap blankets. Bottom: These are samples of the blankets that the Oneida 4-H club will bring to the Anna John Nursing Home residents.

Tsyunhéhkwʌ- a look back at 2006

Submitted by Jeff Metoxen
Tsyunhéhkwʌ Manager

Sakoli, we would like to thank you for your continued support of our program and services we offer. It has been our custom to introduce the people that work for you at tsyunh#hkw<.

Jill Martus-Ninham, is the Project Coordinator, a position that is working on areas that impact the whole program and community. It is an interim position for one year that began in March of 2006.

The Agricultural area consists of Ted Skenandore, Horticultural Farmer; Kyle Wisneski, Greenhouse Technician; Forrest Barton, Greenhouse Technician Trainee; Lee Lopez, Agricultural Worker; Lou Williams Jr., Outreach Worker; and Gerald Coenen, Sub-Relief Agricultural Worker.

The Cannery consists of Carol Elm, Food Processing Supervisor, and Jamie Betters and Diane Skenandore, Cannery Workers.

Retail consists of Raeann Skenandore, Natural Health Retail Supervisor; Bonnie Stoneman, Retail Cashier; and Mariea Denny (E.T.), Retail Cashier.

In the Agricultural area, we maintained our Organic Certification, which has been in place since 2001. Six acres of White Corn was planted and hand-harvested this year. With the help of the Community and our friends, we held our 13 Annual Harvest and Husking Bee, from September 30 till October 6. To dry the White Corn, more than 200 braids were completed with the rest placed in drying racks in our greenhouse. We would like to extend our appreciation to the Oneida Community and our friends for helping all of us to meet our responsibilities.

In August, we held the first annual Green Corn Feast and Open House at the Ag site. It was our chance to give thanks for the Green Corn and share with the Community. Since it was the first time this event was held, we had a great showing of the Community. All ages were present from the children to the elderly. Information was shared on the products and services we offer from our Agricultural and Cannery components. The majority of the food for the event was provided from our program and prepared by Laura Manthe. We look forward to next year and hope you can join us again for this annual event.

The Cannery continues to work with the Horticulture area so produce from our Organic Gardens becomes part of the products available. The Cannery offers classes on the process of preserving and uses of the Facility. Contact the Cannery for any further questions on the classes provided. We continue to provide Cannery products to support areas of the community and cultural events. We are preparing for a Midwinter Feast to be held this January, and further information will be coming.

For the past three years, the number of community members using the Cannery continues to increase. It has caused us to slow down production of the products we can provide and another reason we are looking to develop a larger operation. We are working with the Planning Office to present a facility that provides ample space and equipment for the program's and Community's needs.

The Retail Store held their fourth annual open house this past Summer, with a great attendance and participation. A change this year was that it was held in conjunction with the entire Ridgeview plaza, departments participating provided a great meal, scavenger hunts, and information tables. Surveys were completed to gather information on how to better meet the Community's needs. Retail also obtained a new Point of Sale System and Register earlier this year. It has been a hands-on learning process to use the system and the benefits of inventory, tracking and sales it has provided.

Their workshop series began this past month held at the Ridgeview Plaza. Classes have been packed, and we have received a very positive response from the attendants. Two more are scheduled for the month of December. Retail has a preferred customer Email contact list you should sign up for. Many notices and sales are provided in this communication, and you need to contact the Store to sign up. Store hours are Monday through Friday, 10:am - 6:pm, and we are closed on weekends.

Due to limited space we could only cover a small amount of products and services we offer. We will continue to keep you informed of the areas we are working on with similar articles and notices. We look forward to hearing from you. Please send any of your comments, questions or suggestions to my office at (920) 869-2141, Office Line, (920) 869-2147, Fax Line, 1-800-236-2214, jmetoxen@oneidanation.org Email.

Stop by and visit when you can:

* Agricultural Component, 139 Riverdale Drive, (920) 869-2718
* Cannery/Norbert Hill Center, N7210 Seminary Road, (920) 869-4379.
* Retail Store, Suite 8, Ridgeview Plaza, 3759 West Mason, (920) 497-5821.

Baby Grow - Mom and Baby Group

Sponsored by WIC/Nutrition and First Breath

Topic: Infant Oral Care
By: Dr. Lisa Frechette
Oneida Dental Department
Wednesday, January 31, 2007
12:00 Noon to 1pm
WIC/Nutrition Office
Oneida Community Health Center

Reservations required Please call **869-4829** to reserve you and your child's spot or with any questions.

Baby Grow is a new support group open to all Oneida community member to foster positive relationships between mom and baby as the baby grows and reaches new milestones in life. We will be focusing on healthy feeding relationships from infancy to toddler, as well as topics on growth, development and parenting. Each session will have a different topic as well as discussion time. A light lunch will be provided, children under the age of 5 welcome with reservation.

Future Topics: February 28, 2007 - **Baby Care** March 28,2007 - **Developing a Healthy Home**

Good News

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. ***Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!***



Darrien David Thomas

Darrien David Thomas was born to proud parents Joshua & Carrie Thomas on November 18 and weighed 6lbs, 4oz and was 19 inches in length at birth.

Darrien's grandparents are Michael Thomas, Charlene Thomas and Dave & Dianna Cornelissen.

Derrien's siblings are Jalen and Carrie Thomas.

Happy 50th Birthday

To my best friend
Lynn
on December 14th



From U Know Who?

Happy 18th Birthday

to our baby girl
Courtney Reed





Look how much you have grown
Love always Mom, Dad, Joel & Coleman

Happy 4th Birthday

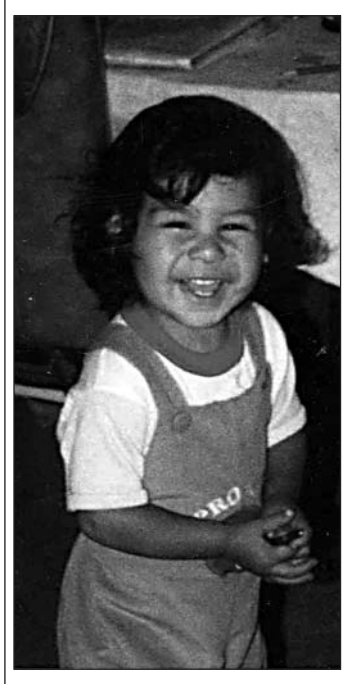
Jalen & Nevaeh
on November 22



Love, Dad, Mom, Baby Darrien and the rest of the Thomas family

Season's Greetings

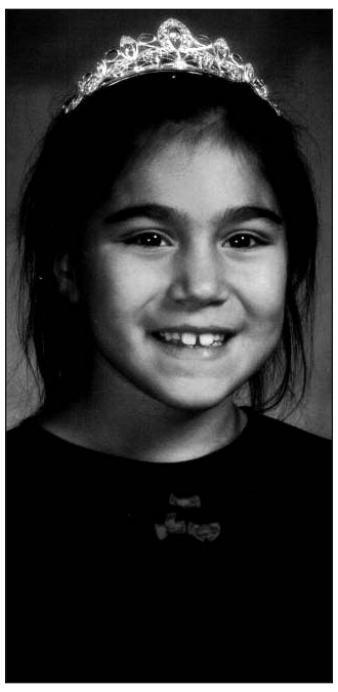
Merry Christmas Bro...



From Big Brother

Happy 8th Birthday

Tehya Margaret John
On December 15



We hope your day is as special as you are!
We love you so much!
From your family, friends and especially your little brother, Hawkins Thomas John!

Season's Greetings

Hi, Michelle

You are always in our hearts. Your sisters Marsha and April also miss you as well as Brittney, Mikey, Star, Marissa, Brandon, Shania, Sacora and your whole



family.
We all love you a whole bunch so have a pleasant holiday
Love ya,
Dad & Mary

Season's Greetings

I would like to wish my children, Brittney, Michael and Star, and family and friend a very merry Christmas and happy Hanukkah. I may not be able to be there with you on this joyous day, but I want you to know that I am there in Mind & Spirit as well as in my heart.



I love and miss you all so much,
May Peace & Happiness be with you all
Love, Mom (Michelle)
PS - I would like to wish may son a Happy 15th B-Day on January 7th.

Congratulations

Krystal Lynn John

She has accepted an internship to Congress in Washington, DC. She is the daughter of Kirk & Jody John.



We are all so proud of you!
Grandpas, Grammas, Aunts, Uncles & all your Cousins & especially your Brother Dakota

Happy Birthday

Danielle Dessert
December 22nd



Love Dad

Congratulations

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Love, your whole entire family

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is…**Wednesday**
December 27th @ 4:30 p.m. with a
PUBLISH DATE
of…**Friday, January 4th, 2006**
Questions, please call: **920-869-4277, 4279** or **4280**

Wise Women Gathering Place

Open House
Friday - Dec. 22, 2006
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Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

January Calendar of Events

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Skunks – Do They Always Stink?
Tuesday, January 2, 2007 at 10 a.m. and again Monday, January 15, 2007 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families can learn about skunks during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the stories "Sassafrass" by Audrey Penn and "Skunks Go To Bed" by Ted Bailey. After the story, the youngsters will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is $2 per Friends member and Green Bay resident and $3 per non-resident.

Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3671.

Ice Fishing Workshop: Introduction to Ice Fishing
Friday, January 19, 2007 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Do you want to experience ice fishing, but not sure how to go about it or what equipment you need? Make sure to sign up for the Sanctuary's Introductory Ice Fishing Workshop. Participants will learn how to make their own fishing pole, what you need to ice fish and safety precautions. If weather permits, participants can test out their new fishing skills. This program is recommended for children between 8-12 years old. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost is $5 per Green Bay resident and Friends member or $7.50 per non-resident.

Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3671.

For more information, call **(920) 391-3671.**
Visit the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary web-site at:
www.baybeachwildlife.com

To place a classified, call the Kalihwisaks 1-800-236-2214

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Business Opportunity

Applications now available for community-based economic development funding

MADISON-Community-based organizations and local officials seeking to promote business growth and development will want to apply for project funding through Community-Based Economic Development (CBED) Program in the Department of Commerce (Commerce). **Application deadline is January 12, 2007.**

"The CBED Program has played an important role in developing strong organizational capacity to support local economic development activities," said Commerce Secretary Mary P. Burke. "We want to support activities that will have the greatest impact on local economies and the state as a whole."

The CBED Program awards grants to community-based organizations for development and business assistance projects and to municipalities for economic development planning. The program also helps community-based organizations plan, build, and create business and technology-based incubators, and can also capitalize an incubator tenant revolving-loan program.

Commerce will show preference to applications that address the following program priorities:

* Support activities designed to develop or expand tech-based incubators.
* Target promising and innovative community-based projects that promote entrepreneurship
* Promote a regional approach to community development and encourage collaboration between multiple organizations to implement a unique or innovative solution to a local development problem.

To apply, or for additional program information, contact Doug Thurlow, Commerce, 608/266-7942.

Committee Vacancy

Oneida Personnel Commission:
One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:

Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe

The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two(2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community members

Shall serve remainder of term, ending April 7, 2008.

The membership may not be such that a conflict of interest or nepotism is created as defined in these by-laws: A. Nepotism is created by the following relationships: father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, daughter, son father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other. B. conflict of interest is a conflict between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. A or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.

Closing date of January 8, 2007

Legal Notice

Setting Time and Notice to Creditors:
Request for information.

The Following estate is being prepared for probate by the United States Department of the Interior and/or the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Appeals Commission, Office of Hearings and Appeals. All Creditors claims must be filed on or before January 2, 2007.

Keith W. Skenandore
DOB 06/10/1952
DOD 09/06/2006

Send all creditors' claims and information relating to the decedent to the following address:

Tina L. Figueroa, Probate Clerk, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Division of Land Management, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155

Dated: December 7, 2006

Setting Time and Notice to Creditors:
Request for information.

The Following estate is being prepared for probate by the United States Department of the Interior and/or the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Appeals Commission, Office of Hearings and Appeals. All Creditors claims must be filed on or before January 18, 2007.

Russell Wayne DeNomie
DOB 10/19/1931
DOD 07/14/2006

Send all creditors' claims and information relating to the decedent to the following address:

Tina L. Figueroa, Probate Clerk, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Division of Land Management, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155

Dated: December 7, 2006

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Norman Wallenfang
DOB 04/23/1929
DOD 07/02/2006

Judith A. Smith
DOB 09/12/1942
DOD 08/22/2006

Frances V. Cornelius
DOB 06/11/1921
DOD 04/19/2006

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Kalihwisaks 2007 Schedule

DEADLINE	PUBLISH
December 27, 2006	**Friday, Jan. 5, 2007***
January 10, 2007	January 18, 2007
January 24, 2007	**February 1, 2007**
February 7, 2007	February 15, 2007
February 21, 2007	**March 1, 2007**
March 7, 2007	March 15, 2007
March 21, 2007	**March 29, 2007**
April 4, 2007	April 12, 2007
April 18, 2007	**April 26, 2007**
May 2, 2007	May 10, 2007
May 16, 2007	**May 24, 2007**
May 30, 2007	Wed., June 6, 2007*
June 13, 2007	**June 21, 2007**
June 27, 2007	July 5, 2007
July 11, 2007	**July 19, 2007**
July 26, 2007	August 3, 2007
August 8, 2007	**August 16, 2007**
August 22, 2007	August 30, 2007
September 5, 2007	**September 13, 2007**
September 19, 2007	September 27, 2007
October 3, 2007	**October 11, 2007**
October 17, 2007	October 25, 2007
October 31, 2007	**November 8, 2007**
November 14, 2007	Wed. Nov. 21, 2007*
November 28, 2007	**December 6, 2007**
December 12, 2007	December 20, 2007
December 26, 2007	**January 3, 2008**

The deadline dates above are the dates that material must be submitted to the Kalihwisaks Office. Deadline dates are Wednesdays (every other) unless otherwise noted, and Publish dates are Thursdays (every other), unless otherwise noted*. Material can be dropped off at the Kalihwisaks Office, Room 1400 (Basement Level) of the Norbert Hill Center, located at N7210 Seminary Road, or mailed to: Kalihwisaks, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155. Information may also be sent via e-mail or phoned in to: Dawn Walschinski, Ph. #869-4277; Yvonne Kaquatosh, Ph. #869-4280; or Steve Gandy, Ph. #869-4279. You may also call Debbie, 920-869-4340 or 1-800-236-2214. The Kalihwisaks fax # is: 920-869-4252. Material must be received no later than 4:30 P.M. on the scheduled deadline dates. This is only a tentative schedule. If changes in the schedule are necessary, the revised schedule will appear in the Kalihwisaks.

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or

On the web at: **http://hrd.oneidanation.org**

Postings are updated daily.

The Oneida Tribe has the discretion to pull positions prior to the deadline date.

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How to Apply…

In person at:
Human Resource Department
2630 West Mason Street
Green Bay, Wisconsin
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

or

Fax your completed application (and resume)
to (920) 496-7911

or

Applications (and resume) may also be mailed to:
Human Resource Department
PO Box 365
Oneida, WI 54155-0365

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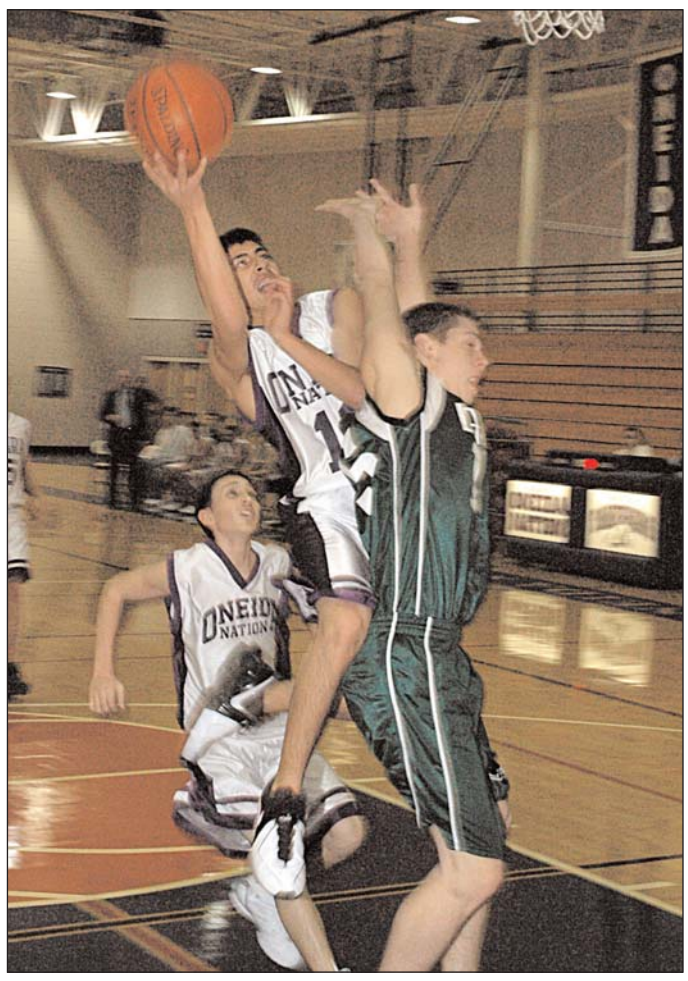
Packers host Oneida youth at football clinic



Kali Photos/Steven J. Gandy

Top left: Noah Herron, Green Bay Packer running back, explains the football drill that his group of Oneida youth will be performing during the recent football clinic at the Don Hudson Center in Ashwaubenon. Above: a youth returns a punt against one of the volunteers provided by the packer organization. Green Bay Packer Colin Cole was also in attendance for the clinic which lasted about two hours.

T-Hawks come up short



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

The Oneida Thunderhawks came up just short in the last period of Friday's game at home against Laona. The boys lost a 75 - 71 heartbreaker in the last minute of the game. Above, Nick Cantu goes for a lay-up against a Laona defender in the first half of the game. The T-hawks next home game will be on Friday, January 5 against Sevastopol.

2007 Boys Basketball Schedule

Friday, December 29-30
Gresham Tournament
(Gresham)
J.V.–TBA **Varsity–TBA**

- **Friday, January 5th**
 Sevastopol
 J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**
- **Tuesday, January 9th**
 Green Bay NEW Lutheran
 J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

Tuesday, January 11th
Bowler (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

- **Tuesday, January 16th**
 Goodman
 J.V.–5:30 PM **Varsity–7 PM**
- Friday, January 19
 Gibraltar
 J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**
- **Tuesday, January 23**
 Coleman
 J.V.–5:30 PM Varsity–7 PM
- **Friday, January 26**
 Milw. Destiny
 Varsity only – 7 PM

Friday, February 2
Tigerton (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

Tuesday, February 6
Sevastopol (Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

Thursday, February 8
St. Lawrence Seminary
(Away)
J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

- **Friday, February 16**
 Lac Courte Oreilles
 Varsity only – 7:30
- **Thursday, February 22**
 Menominee Indian
 J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**

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2007 Girls Basketball Schedule

Friday, December 29-30
Gresham Tournament
(Gresham)
J.V.–TBA **Varsity–TBA**

- **Tuesday, January 2nd**
 Laona
 J.V.–5:30 PM **Varsity–7 PM**
- **Thursday, January 11th**
 Bowler
 J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**
- **Thursday, January 18th**
 Gibralter
 J.V.–5 PM **Varsity–6:30 PM**
- **Friday, January 26th**
 Milw. Destiny
 J.V.–N/A **Varsity–5:30 PM**
- **Tuesday, January 30th**
 Tri-County
 J.V.–6 PM **Varsity–7:30 PM**
- **Friday, February 2nd**
 Milw. Maasai Institute
 J.V.–N/A **Varsity–6 PM**
- **Friday, February 16th**
 Lac Courte Oreilles
 J.V. - N/A **Varsity–7 PM**
 only – 7:30

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Wed. Dec 27, 2006

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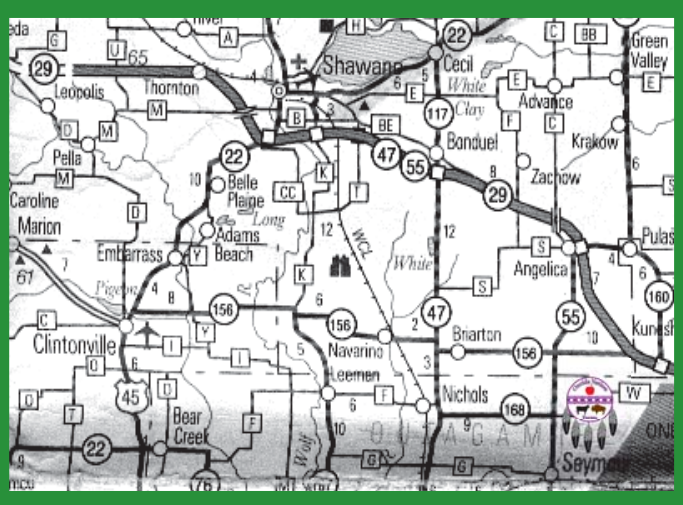


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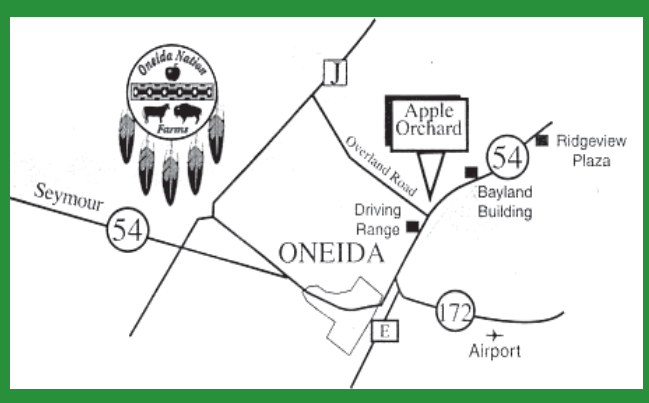
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Hwy 54, Located on Hwy. 54
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